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Hi! How have you been? It's been ages! how is Aunty Ethel? And the dog? How about your uncle's hip? Better? Good! It seems like an age has passed since we last spoke way back there in November. A new leader of the free world and Woolworths has shut down. We take our eye off the ball for a couple of months and the world collapses! Good job we're back, recharged and ready for action.

Anyway, welcome to the first Gallery of 2009. This month's theme is 'love,love,love'. Truly a topic that divides and conquers and, if the opinion of our new behavioural psychologist Jackie Andre is anything to go by, does more dividing than anything else these days. If, however, you are the romantic type then let Stella guide you through the minefield of Valentine gift buying and also where to go for that critical Valentine meal.

If all that seems like too much heartbreak, why not get away? The Gallery family usually get a chance to take a break in December but this year we stayed and worked, planning our 2009 magazines in our war bunker. We did hop over to Iceland and grab a few reindeer hides that you'll see in our annual underwear shoot this month (think guys... Valentine's...). I'd love to have written a travel piece while I was there as it's a truly amazing place that you MUST visit but late nights and duty-free, coupled with corridor brawls left me at a bit of a journalistic dead-end.

Luckily other writers did manage to get away and we can all take a vicarious trip to Mauritius this month and, if you're hankering after snow, then we've got something for you too as snowboard photographer Natalie Mayer highlights some of the more left field places to get your winter fix. Japan? Denmark? India? It's a great season for snow too, reports of dumps everywhere.... That's it, I'm jumping in my car and driving to the Alps.





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Jersey Museum **Link Gallery**

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SUNDAY 1ST FEBRUARY

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Adult: £12 Students + Senior Citizens: £6 2.30pm /6.30pm **Jersey Arts Centre**

■JERSEY FILM SOCIETY PRESENTS 4 MONTHS 3 WEEKS 2 DAYS

MONDAY 2ND FEBRUARY Anamaria Marinca (Channel 4's Sex Traffic) gives an outstanding performance in this Palme d'Or-winning drama about illegal abortion in 1980s Communist Romania. Striking cinematography and gritty realism combine to create an unforgettable film experience that is not for the faint-hearted. (Romania 2007 113 minutes Director: Cristian Mungiu Starring: Anamaria Marinca, Laura Vasiliu,

8pm - £5 (£3 students) only available on the door JFS members can reserve a seat in advance at Box Office **Jersey Arts Centre**

THE PAPER BIRDS PRESENTS - IN A THOUSAND PIECES

WEDNESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY

The Paper Birds is an all-female performance collective based in Leeds. Specialising in visual and physical theatre, the ensemble was established in 2003 and has toured four original devised productions to date. In A Thousand Pieces tells the physically and visually moving tale of a young Eastern European girl and her journey to England. A beautifully woven patchwork of accounts, misunderstanding, movement, text and live original music: In a Thousand Pieces is a

touching and delicate depiction of the violent, isolated and brutal world, home to thousands of women forced into the British sex trade.

Adult: £15 Student: £9 Adult Member: £12.75 Student Member: £7.65 1.30pm/8pm. Jersey Arts Centre



EMMA JOHNSON, NATALIE CLEIN + JOHN LENEHAN (PIANO TRIO) AMICI ARTIŪM

THURSDAY 5TH FEBRUARY

Having performed across Europe, the USA and the Far East, as well as in Africa and Australia, Emma Johnson is one of the few clarinetists to have established a busy international career as a soloist. In Britain she has achieved great popularity, regularly playing to sold-out concert halls. Natalie Clein's exceptional musicality has earned her a number of prestigious prizes including the Classical Brit Award for Young British Performer of 2005 and the Ingrid zu Solms Cultur Preis at the 2003 Kronberg Academie. Praised by the New York Times for his "great flair and virtuosity" and the London Times ("a masterly recital"), John Lenehan's performances and recordings have been acclaimed throughout the world. Programme includes: Brahms Sonata for clarinet, cello and piano, Op. 120, No. 2; Brahms Trio in A minor, for clarinet, cello and piano, Op. 114; Bridge Cello Sonata.

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MARK WATSON - ALL THE THOUGHTS I'VE HAD SINCE I WAS BORN

FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

In 2008, Mark Watson won Best Show at the Adelaide and Sydney Comedy Festivals, completed a 100-date tour of the UK, Australia and New Zealand, recorded the second series of his cult Radio 4 show Mark Watson Makes The World Substantially Better, trained as a climate change lecturer under Al Gore, performed another 24-hour show, published his third book, Crap At The Environment and continued his regular appearances on the likes of BBC2's Mock The Week. He is one of Britain's most talked about comedians, but also is quite tired and a bit stressed. He returns to the road with a brand new show where he describes his attempts to reclaim his sanity

£15. Opera House. 8pm

CHARITY EVENT

SATURDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

The Royal Yacht's Celestial Hall will be transformed for a red, black and gold themed charity event. Supporting local charities, Art in the Frame, Durrell and Cancerbackup, dress will be glamorous. The ticket includes, entry to event, light buffet, glass of bubbly and automatic entry into fabulous prizes draw - supported by local companies.

7.30pm til late Celestial Hall at the royal yacht £25 a ticket (available from Formal Affairs, 41 Bath St; The Harbour Gallery in St Aubin or via 07797 813599 or redbackandgold@googlemail.com)

ED BYRNE 'DIFFERENT CLASS'

WEDNESDAY 11TH AND THURS-DAY 12TH FEBRUARY

Irish comic and star of BBC 2's Mock the Week, Ed Byrne returns with his blisteringly funny critically acclaimed one man show about marriage, class, the youth of today and anything else that strikes him as humorous...

£15. Opera House. 8pm

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String Quartet.

the RNCM's Ravel Prize, and the Nossek

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JERSEY FILM SOCIETY PRESENTS THE BAND'S VISIT

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26TH FEBRUARY

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8pm. Jersey Opera House

FIVEBYNINE

THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY
A group of nine like minded textile artists have formed a group called Diversity to share ideas and techniques and to inspire each other with their work. At the end of this month they are opening their second group exhibition, inspired by Jersey. Come and view work from members Teresa Coffey, Rachel Concannon, Maxine Griffiths, Rosie Hollis, Yvonne Le Signe, Shona Mulhern, Di Richardson, Christine Westwood-Davis Mphil RCA, and Janet Willis.

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Got something special to say?

Don't just send the flowers this Valentine's Day, send the card and make someone really happy.

Make someone's Valentine's Day - send it by post!



Tudor Moore (AKA Third Floor Tiger)



Growing up in the Manchester suburbs with his parent's collection of jazz and leftfield records was as much_inspiration to Tudor ās it was frustration.

As a child, Tudor began studying trumpetunder the guidance of his father. In the 8os, he discovered electronics, like Depeche Mode, Thomas Dolby and Joy

By the time Acid House came along, sealed and living so close to Manchester, seeing Factory Record artists in shops music-making desire. Growing up with clubs like the Hacienda he began experimenting in dance music, quitting art college and writing-off any thoughts of more formal education. Making around this time he met and began to with Miller that Tudor cut his teeth.

mid 90s he co-wrote the first album and shortly after their breakthrough track "Blue Bar" (Cafe Del Mar Vol 3/ REACT records).

Along the way there was a string of studio sessions and live shows including huge arena tours supporting reggae bands, pop bands and writing string arrangements, but the studio was the preferred place to work. Tudor worked 90s making a further appearance on Kandi).

Making music was to end just before the beginning of the new century with one final but obscure credit performing

In 2001 Tudor left England and moved to Jersey to hide away from an increasingly chaotic world. However, late in 07 with the combination of sea air, Atlantic storms and some special people along the way - Third Floor Tiger was born.

Rosa' and 'Morning Sun' will be available for download and purchase soon. We gave them a listen, see this month's



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MASSACRE

***ing Valentine's Day. No sooner have you made it through the bleak, neverending-horror that is January, then when without warning, we are forced to parade our relationships, or lack thereof, to the goddamn world. Up and down King Street the promise of disappointment hangs thick in the air as shop windows fill with pink and red decorations, that make you feel patronised and desperate at the same time. In Jersey, Valentine's Day isn't just a relationship milestone – it's a bloodless assault course.

So what, I wonder constitutes a "successful" Valentine's experience in this island? Having, frankly, in all my years never experienced a Valentine's Day that wasn't humiliating/nauseating/devastating/worrying (delete as applicable), I decided to ask a Jersey cross section...

The Jersey Singleton I spoke to is what I would describe as a "once-burnt-twice-shy" girl, or rather a, "once-burnt-andif-you-do-it-again-I-will-set-you-on-fire-you-bastard" of girl. Her standards for a successful Valentine's Day are as follows - Firstly, the man in question only gains points if he clearly confirms that he intends to marry her, thinks of her every waking hour and will never hurt her, though he has only known her for a week. Secondly, he must not expect her to confirm the same thing until they have been going out for at least a year and she has had time to have him followed, check his phone bills and organise something called "honey trapping". She broke up with someone for phoning an hour later than they said they would, despite his protestations that he had spent the last hour in A&E getting fifteen stitches and could provide medical records to verify his story. She was not sympathetic and did not believe him. With her, men lose points on Valentine's Day for being, well just men.

I spoke to one half of a Jersey Power Couple, now a new mum. Her husband gains endless thanks for simply watching the baby long enough for her to wash her hair and/or sleep. It is unlikely that he will be in trouble for forgetting V-day, as she is so sleep deprived she's not even aware what day of the week it is, let alone the specific calendar date. When I asked her about her Valentine's Day plans she replied, "is it February?"

The Jersey WAG-a-bee I interviewed was, as expected, a traditionalist. Though not in a relationship at the moment, she has a strict points system for anyone lucky enough to be allowed to date her. Expensive chocolates + vintage champagne + bouquet = 1 point. Add on Michelin starred dinner = 2 points. If dinner is in Europe for the weekend = 3 points (move to 4 points if they go away for the week). To gain further points, he must buy her a car, and for 8 points he must propose with a 2-carat (minimum) engagement ring. He gets a whole 9 points if there are matching earrings to go with ring and 10 points if...actually, she doesn't give 10 points as a matter of principle. Deduct all points if chocolate is not handmade and Swiss, if the champagne is not a good vintage, the flowers are not from the right florist, dinner is unrated, the weekend is in Eastern Europe (former communist nations are not her thing), the holiday is all inclusive, the car is not new or the diamonds are too small. She believes she is harsh, but fair.

The slightly older, married woman I canvassed seemed cross. I am sure that she loves her husband, but I don't think she remembers why. He gains points on Valentine's Day for doing anything nice at all, to give her a day off from fantasizing about what she would wear to his funeral if he suddenly died and wanting to throw her shoe at his head. He must not however do anything so nice that he will expect her to have sex with him. He loses points for doing anything that could legally be considered grounds for divorce. Or maybe that gains points? She is undecided regarding this but has the number of an excellent solicitor handy.

And what about the Jersey men? Well in terms of the male half of the Jersey Valentine Expectation Equation, all men seemed to have just two objectives 1) to not get in trouble, 2) to hopefully get laid. Erm, fair enough guys! (See guideline overleaf) So what will I be doing for Valentine's Day this year? I suspect it will mostly involve hard liquor. Obviously I wouldn't mind a massive, romantic, surprise fuss made, but what I'm really looking for is basically a nice guy who gets me. For instance, he'd know that a folded note, secretly slipped in my pocket is better than a card, and daffodils are better than roses, because those things are more "me". I'd like a man to show that he knows me, that he's paid attention when I've spoken... and noticed when I've sighed. And to be honest, my perfect gift would be a mix tape...

WHAT MEN SHOULD KNOW: THE BLEEDINGLY OBVIOUS GUIDE TO VALENTINE'S DAY

CHOSEN ACTIVITY

RELATIONSHIP STATUS

Single
Dating
Going Out
Living Together

Engaged

Married

OHOSEN ACTIVITY						
Nothing	Card	Flowers	Dinner	Weekend Break	Jewellery	
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0	2	3	4			
Warning - Not Recommended,	3	4	5	8	10	
HIGHLY Dan- gerous	3	5	6	8	10	
	3	6	7	9	10	
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LIKELY OUTCOME

Fairly obvious what to expect here. Your best bet is go out, get stunningly drunk and be around women who are doing similar. Couldn't hurt to try some Lynx...

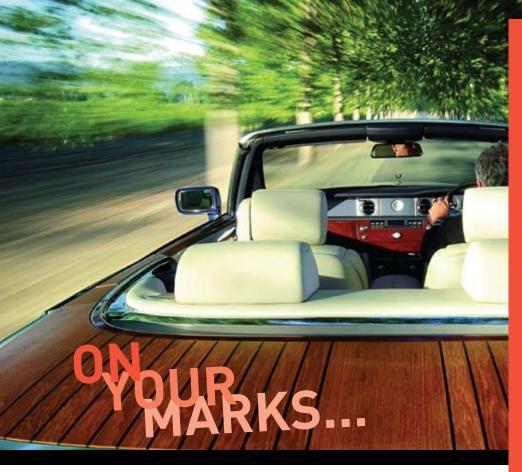
This is what is known as the safety zone. You're not necessarily going to get laid, but you're unlikely to get into any trouble. If funds are low stay in this band, it's worth a shot.

Your odds of a happy Valentine's Day, and night, are greatly increased, you can relax.

Unless you do something spectacularly stupid, (e.g. forget Valentine's Day), you're on a winner. Enjoy, well done - you got through it!

Not only are you not in trouble, not only are you almost absolutely certain to enjoy intimacy with your loved one, but her quite attractive mates are looking at you with a new found interest. You feel virile, she feels smug - excellent work.





The Gallery Rally - Barcelona will take competitors through quiet and sleepy French villages, way off the beaten track, following clues of maddening complexity. They will eventually take a perilous drive across the Pyrenees and end up in 5-star splendour in Barcelona on June 29th.

If you ask me, any excuse to go on a treasure hunt rallying around Europe for four days with 60 or 70 people and ending up in a 5-star hotel is a pretty good one. When that excuse is raising money for Jersey Hospice Care, even better.

Last year we took 31 cars from Jersey to Monaco; from taxis and VW Transporters to Ferraris and Aston Martins, a rag tag bunch of adventurers flew around the French countryside, looking for clues, eating good food, going to casinos and having paper aeroplane throwing competitions. We had a fantastic time and (I think I speak for everyone who went when I say) we're excited about the launch of this year's rally. After the success of Monaco we've decided to push the numbers up a bit to allow even more people to get involved. On June 26th 2009, 40 cars, each filled with a pair of rally stars, will set off from Elizabeth Harbour and put their brains and their driving skills to the test for four days.

The purpose of the rally is to have fun and raise money for one of the Island's best-loved charities, Jersey Hospice Care, which has just celebrated its 25th anniversary. Jersey Hospice Care is a specialist palliative nursing service, providing holistic care for cancer and motor neurone disease patients. Although it costs more than £2 million to run Jersey Hospice Care every year, it receives no funding from the States of Jersey and relies entirely on the generosity of the public.

In addition, this year we are offering reduced rates at a luxury resort 30 miles from Barcelona where contestants can unwind and relax for a

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What's the schedule?

Starting from Jersey on Friday 26th June, rally participants and their vehicles will take the boat to St Malo to begin the four-day treasure hunt, finishing in 5-star splendour in sunny Barcelona on June 29th. In addition, this year we are offering reduced rates at a luxury resort 30 miles from Barcelona where contestants can unwind and relax for a couple of days before returning to Jersey

What will we be doing?

Each day, competitors will be given a sheet of cryptic clues that they must solve to find out where they are going next. They will also need to find some piece of information in each location before they can move on to the next destination. All the cars meet up each evening in a designated hotel for a dinner and chance to swap stories and adventures over good food and wine.

To the victors.....?

The rally culminates in Barcelona, when competitors will find out which team has won the rally and the prizes are awarded! There is also a special prize for the team that raises the most sponsorship money.

Paying your entry fees

Your entry fee pays for everything except lunch and drinks. The return ferry ticket is paid for, as are all your hotel, breakfast and evening meals. You will need money for fuel and lunches. Some people just snack, others find fancy restaurants along the way. Some wine is included in the evening meal. The total fee is £1,095, £500 deposit a.s.a.p. to secure your place, £595 remaining cost due by 1st March 2009.

Raising your sponsorship

This is a charity event so get fundraising! Each car must raise sponsorship of £2000; (Easy! A good cake sale should do it!) 75% to be collected and forwarded to Hospice by the rally date and any additional collected by 13th July 2009. So get your fundraising events planned early! There's loads of time!

What is the accommodation like?

On the way down the hotels are of at least Novotel standard. Rooms are shared with your driving partner so you can debrief on your days drive. The hotel on the last night is a 5-star hotel right in the heart of Barcelona.

Do I need a fast car?

No. You don't need to have an expensive car to take part in the Gallery Rally, but you do need a sense of adventure, a sense of humour and a compass – or sat nav, if you're lucky!



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It's good to be Sure



Mr Lonely Hearts

'Laid-back and easy to get on with man seeks someone to enjoy life with'. Right at the top left of the Friday dating section of the Evening Post, Dave spots his advert. And a bit further down, 'Happy-go-lucky GSOH M, 37, loves life but missing someone_to treat like a princess'. He was sure there was another one as well... and there it is, just before the end: 'Friendly, fun to be with, honest guy, loves travel and good conversation...'.

Dave's not taking any chances this February. With three ads in the paper, he's sure to get some replies. Of course, the big problem last year was that he just didn't understand the language of the lonely hearts ad. So he thought Brenda ('Larger than life F, 32 WLTM generous man to share the best life has to offer') was just describing her big personality. The trouble was, Brenda's 'big personality' took up two seats at the cinema, and he doesn't like to think about how much he spent on popcorn that night. Now he knows to read between the lines – that 'fun-loving' equals sex-mad, 'young at heart' means she's drawing her pension, and 'likes the finer things in life' means she's not going to stick to the £9.95 set menu. And he's worked out the ads that are, let's say, a bit specialist. So if anyone describes themselves as 'wild', 'eager to please' or 'assertive', he just moves on. It's not that he's a prude. It's just that Jersey's too small for that sort of thing. It gets a bit embarrassing when 'Sexy and supple, F 39 with wicked streak' turns out to work the third check-out in Grand Marché. "Alright Dave love? How's your back...?'

It's quite an art actually, writing a personals ad. You have to try and be honestaboutyourselfwithoutsounding like a loser, and highlight your best points without getting carried away. Dave knows all about getting carried away. Like the time he thought it would be funny to have an ad on a nautical theme – 'Adventurous M, 37 with own yacht looking first mate to sail away into the sunset with' and then meet his dates at the boating pond with his old toy yacht his grandfather had made for him. Aren't women supposed to love that GSOH-sort of thing? He came spectacularly unstuck when 'athletic, savvy brunette, 29' turned up to meet him with her own boat shoes and two weeks booked off work. Since then, Dave's tried to stick closely to the truth - although you won't catch him admitting he's moved back in with his mum and shares his room with a couple of canaries.

Dave hasn't got round to uploading his photo yet. And no, it's nothing to do with him not wanting his colleagues at DL Computers to find out. He'd just rather women find out about his personality first. After all, he's looking for an emotional connection. 'You can't tell a book by its cover', says Dave - and with a photo, all the mystery's gone. And of course, the fact that his bald spot always seems to show up much more in a photo than in real life. Must be something to do with the flash.

And in the world of the lonely hearts, there's always the one that got away. That was Julie. She'd replied to his ad about looking for someone to share beach walks with, and sounded warm, genuine, and most definitely not like a psycho.

He was going to call her that evening - or he would have done if he hadn't got her letter muddled up with the gas bill cheque, and sent it to Jersey Gas by mistake. Despite repeated adverts for Julie to get in touch, he never heard from her again. Just imagine what could have been, he thinks as he finishes next week's 25 words and hopes that this time, the 'warm-hearted, honest, attractive M, 37' three rows from the top of the dating section in the JEP will find his Miss Right.

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No wonder Mr Parker had wrist and back problems. It might have been helpful having eyes, too.

MAN SOLVES RUBIK'S CUBE -AFTER 26 YEARS

A Hampshire builder has finally solved his Rubik's Cube - after 26 years of frustration.

Graham Parker had bought the puzzle in 1983 and wept with joy when he finally cracked it, reports The Sun. Mr Parker, 45, from Portchester, who spent 27,400 hours playing with his toy, said: "I can't tell you what a relief it is. It drove me mad and took over my life. "I missed important events to stay in and solve it, and lay awake at night thinking about it. Friends offered to do it for me but I had to do it myself.

"I had wrist and back problems from spending hours on it but it was all worth it. When I clicked that last bit and each face was a solid colour I wept."

His wife Jean, 47, said his fixation put a terrible strain on their marriage. Jean said: "When we met he was already obsessed with the cube - spending hours on it every day. I was going to get rid of it but knew he wouldn't rest until he solved it."

The World Cube Association said it believed his epic effort was a record. The fastest time to solve it was 7.08 seconds, achieved by Dutchman Erik Akkersdijk.

STUDENT'S £100BN OVERDRAFT SHOCK

A student was stunned when his online bank statement showed him to be overdrawn by almost £100bn.

Donald Moffat, 38, from Ayrshire, said that his Barclays account was showing two separate withdrawals of £50bn. The bank said a "technical error" was to blame and apologised, reports the BBC. Mr Moffat said Barclays also offered £10 in compensation for the phone calls he had to make to resolve the error

Mr Moffat said he had "been passed from pillar to post" after making the error known to Barclays. He wants the bank to increase its offer of compensation for the level of stress he had been put under in trying to resolve the situation.

In a statement Barclays said: "A technical error caused some customer accounts to be incorrectly debited.

"The problem was immediately identified and corrected within less than an hour, and all affected customer accounts are now showing correct balances.

"No customers will be financially impacted by this error. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused our customers."

Stonehenge - 'built for raves'

Stonehenge was built as a dance venue for prehistoric raves, according to a university professor.

Dr Rupert Till, also a part-time DJ, carried out experiments which he says show the 5,000-year-old stone circle is ideal for listening to trance music. Dr Till, an expert in sound technology at Huddersfield University, says the stones

have perfect acoustics for repetitive rhythms, reports The Sun.

He tested the effect using a computer model of Stonehenge and during a visit to a concrete replica built in Washington State, US. And he came to the conclusion that ancient Britons shaped the stones to create special sounds. He said: "The results were interesting. The stones are all curved and reflect sound perfectly.

We reproduced the sound of someone speaking or clapping in Stonehenge 5,000 years ago.

"It is clear that Stonehenge did have a very unusual sound. We managed to get the whole space to resonate, almost like a wine glass will ring if you run a finger round it.

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Dear Miriam,

The other day I set off for work, leaving my husband in the house watching the TV as usual.

I hadn't gone a hundred yards down the road when my engine conked out and the car juddered to a halt. I walked back home to get my husband's help. When I got home I found him in the bedroom. I couldn't believe my eyes. He was parading in from of the wardrobe mirror dressed in my underwear and high heel shoes, and he was wearing my make up.

I am 32, my husband is 34 and we have been married for 12 years. When I confronted him, he tried to make out that he had dressed up in my lingerie because he couldn't find any of his own underwear. But when I asked him about the make up, he broke down and admitted that he has been wearing my clothes for six months. I told him it had to stop, or I would leave him.

He was made redundant from his job six months ago, and he says he has been feeling increasingly depressed and worthless. I love him very much, but ever since I gave him the ultimatum, he has become increasingly distant, and I don't feel I can get through to him any more. Please can you help?

Miriam says...

A car stalling after being driven a short distance can be caused by a vareity of faults in the engine. Start by checking that there is no debris in the fuel line. If it is clear, check the jubilee clips holding the vacuum pipes onto the inlet manifold. If none of these approaches solve the problem, it could be that the fuel pump itself is faulty, causing low delivery pressure to the carburettor float chamber.

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'Dear Miriam'

This edition's 'Forward of the month' is taken from a real 'Dear Miriam' article we were sent (see right) but unfortunately the picture was too small to print at a size that wouldn't require a magnifying glass or microscope to read.



We think that commitment should be rewarded, and that's why anyone signing up or renewing their contract to an 18 month Blue or Green MyMobile deal will be getting just that bit extra.

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"BYE BYE BUSH"

As if George Bush Junior hadn't had enough problems during his presidential term, what with all of the 'Bushisms' and general American-idiocy, someone just had to go and throw their shoes at him. Who throws a shoe, anyway?

To his credit, he DID do a very good job of dodging the rubber-soled projectile as it hurtled his way (search for it on YouTube - other video hosting sites are probably available - if you didn't catch it on the news) but the event has prompted the people of the east to grab a bargain throwing shoes at carboard cutouts and one company take on more staff to cope with demand! Read on...

Cop that!

A Turkish shoe firm says it's had to take on an extra 100 staff to cope with demand after an Iraqi threw shoes at President Bush.

Istanbul-based Baydan Shoes claims it made the shoes which were thrown at the president, reports the BBC.

It now has tens of thousands of orders from around the world - including the US and Iraq - for the shoe which was called Model 271 but has now been renamed the Bye Bye Bush shoe.

Oner Bogatekin, Baydan Shoes' export representative, said the staff recognised their handiwork from the news reports.

"We saw it on videos and also in newspapers. We have been producing this shoe for 10 years, so know it very well and we can recognise them anywhere" he told the BBC.

Mr Bogatekin said the firm was pleased with the publicity it was getting, but insisted the shoes would not have done President Bush any serious harm.

"Actually, they are not heavy shoes so they wouldn't hurt him" he said.

Meanwhile, an online game giving people the chance to throw virtual shoes at President Bush has become a surprise hit - and made thousands for its creator on eBay.

Alex Tew, 24, from London, thought up Sock And Awe a week ago and within days 45 million shoes had been thrown by 4.5 million unique users. He sold it for £5,215 to web company Fubra.

Take your best shot...

A Chinese shop is giving discounts to customers who hit an image of George Bush by throwing shoes.

Customers hitting zones A-D can receive a discount from 20% to 50% off at the store in Wenzhou.

The activity, with a slogan "Hitting for world fame and good fortune", was so popular among shoppers that the store had to call police to maintain order.

During the first 30 minutes of the special promotion they sold 64 pairs of shoes and earned more £1,000. Several hundred pairs of shoes were sold on the second day.

The shop owner commented;

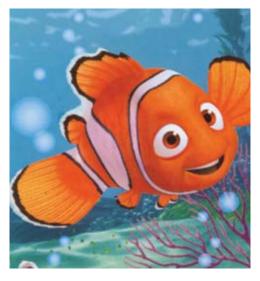
We were inspired by the shoe throwing incident and hoped customers can get some entertainment whilst shopping"



For the top 10 'throw shoes at Bush' games on the internet: http://dvice.com/archives/2008/12/top_10_bush_sho.php



Name:	Lopez	Becky Glover
Breed:	An Agouti rat	English
Age:	1 and a half	25
Likes:	Sardines on toast, my sister Baylis and sleeping in my leopard print hammock.	Living in Jersey after living in smoky old London for two years.
Hates:	Being taken to the vet and having an operation - 6 stitches! Ouch!	Louis Walsh
If you could be any human/animal what would you be:	Jenifer Lopez because I can be mistaken for being from the street and I keep it real on a day to day basis.	A Muffin Cat (look it up!)
Wants:	A P Diddy rat to treat me right with lots of bling in the form of yoghurt drops.	Ajob
Fascinating facts:	I am a rescue rat, not from those dirty streets, but from a human who couldn't keep up with my demands any longer.	I still don't know how to drive.
Most impressive thing ever done:	After the operation I told you about, I pulled out all external and internal stitches by myself because I am hard.	Co-writing and editing a commercial that won "Best in Brief" at the Kodak Student Commercial Awards in 2006.



Found him! (or, er, her...)

Clown Fish are beautiful, colourful fish that come in many different colours and 28 different species! They range in colours from yellow to maroon, but the most popular is bright orange like Nemo.

If you would like one as a pet you have to buy a single one or a mated pair otherwise they will fight over territory.

You will need to make the environment for your clown fish the same as that as the ocean with live rock and live sand. The tank will also have to sit for 4 weeks so that the conditions will become right for your Clown Fish to survive.

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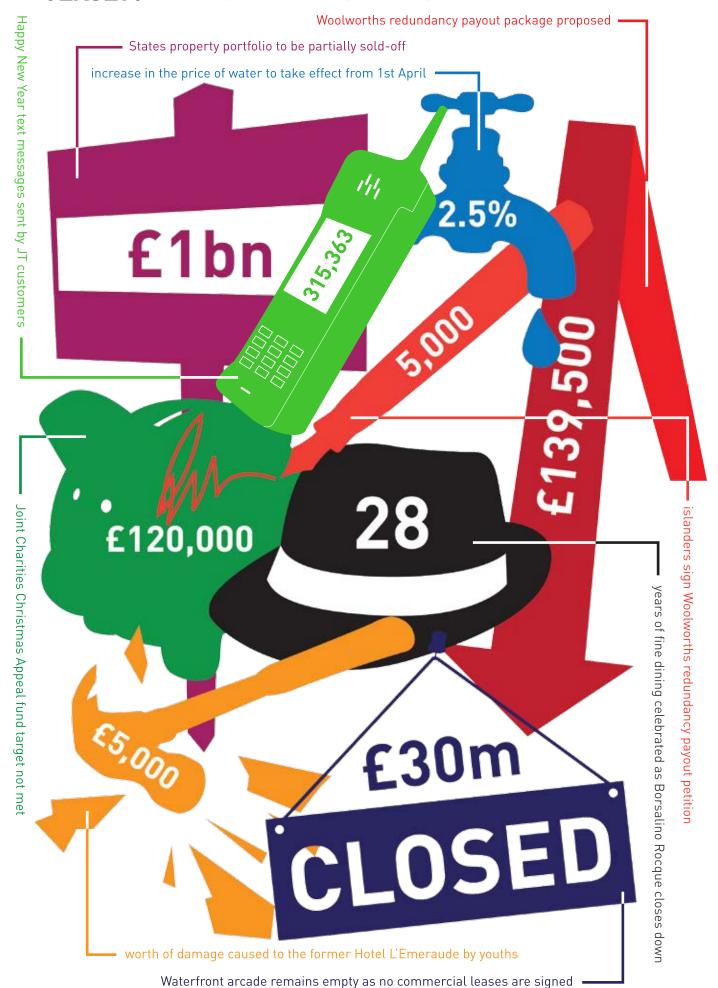
They are the only fish that don't get stung by tentacles of the sea anemone.

They are hermaphrodites, developing into males first, and when they mature, they become females.

Clown fish £12.50 from Pets Paradise



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20/20 VISION

I wonder how many men view Valentine's Day as the Sword of Damocles that hangs above their heads. For many men in a relationship the hype and commercial aspects of the day exert a pressure where they feel they have to spend exorbitant amounts on flowers etc to 'prove' their love, irrespective of what they actually feel and think about their partner.

For many women in a relationship there is a large amount of emotional investment, it is the one day where their partner is obliged to make an open display of their affections. This is irrespective of their regular emotional predisposition and attitude for the remaining three hundred and sixty four days in the year.

You will see women walking home after work on Valentine's Day, clutching huge bouquets of overpriced flowers ceremoniously delivered to them at work. Many 'glide' upon an endorphin cushion of fluffy happiness, blissfully comparing the size of their bouquets to the others they pass in the street whose owners also have the 'gift of gliding'. Is the size of the bouquet correlated with their partner's love for them? Not necessarily the case as most men who are not in the initial stages of relationship seduction understand 'flower power'.

First, flowers act as a 'Klingon cloaking device' deflecting attention from little indiscretions. Second, the slate is wiped clean in readiness for another year of 'being a bloke.' Third, when any sort of favour or gift is given, a psychological transaction takes place, rather like a mental contract or 'scorecard' where the recipient feels obliged at some future point to reciprocate and the giver expects a return on their 'investment' - this known as the 'norm of reciprocity'. When it comes to Valentine's Day it's a 'love transaction' as endorphins are also released - no imagination required when it comes to reciprocity!

Does Valentine's Day serve any purpose apart from lining the retailer's pockets? Is it an illustration of social hypocrisy that provides a temporary romantic reprieve from the harsh reality of how difficult intimate relationships can be? Forming a satisfying relationship has never been easy; we want to be one half of a couple whose personal characteristics are so closely meshed that we'll remain oriented to one another in the hyper stimulating world of other options. In the back of our minds don't we sometimes think there is someone out there who can



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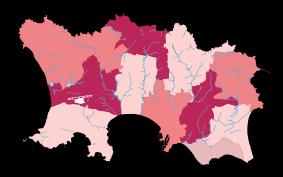
deliver more than our current partner - emotionally, physically and intellectually? The assurance of a fully functioning and satisfying relationship resides in compatibility, a complex mix of character of traits that matter, if only we could figure out which traits they are! Compatibility does not hinge on some personal inventory of traits, it isn't something you have, it's something you make, it's a process, one that you negotiate and renegotiate as you go along. It's a disposition, an attitude, a willingness to make the relationship work.

In redefining compatibility, we need to examine that abstract concept called 'chemistry', a black box of a term too often invoked to denote the magic ingredient of a good relationship. Chemistry is an appealing concept, but used way too often by many people to absolve themselves of the need to consciously examine their approach to one another. As if the muse of love will alight on their shoulder and sprinkle fairy dust on them, and then they will suddenly open their eyes and behold 'the perfect mate', without prying open their own heart, embracing an unwavering willingness to see the other in a positive light or doing the hard work of exploring, knowing and respecting another human being.

You must also connect emotionally. How much do you respond to each other's need for attention? Does your partner turn toward you with equal enthusiasm? You need to ask questions and constantly update your knowledge of one another. And you need the ability to hear your partner's pleasures and take them in.

Realistically there is no such thing as a compatible couple. All couples disagree about the same things: money, sex, children, leaving the cap off the toothpaste or the lid up of the toilet. So, it's really about how you manage your differences. If there is chemistry, then the whole courtship is about convincing yourself and others that you are compatible. But, really, you create compatibility. And then, eventually, maybe in 25 years, you will become soul mates.

Valentine's Day - Love isn't finding a perfect person. It's seeing an imperfect person perfectly.



LOVE YOUR PARISH

As we're talking about love we thought we'd mention some new initiates to get involved in supporting and showing love for your Parish in 2009.

As part of their commitment to support our local communities, Airtel Vodafone are continuing the parish in focus quizzes and events that they started in 2008. The response has been fantastic and most of the quizzes are well subscribed already, but why not go along and support the events anyway? Represent!

In addition, Airtel are building on the series of classes they conducted last year on demystifying the mobile phone and are starting monthly 'surgery' style events at each parish hall of the parish that they focus on each month.

COFFEES, ADVICE AND RECYCLING

There will be a coffee morning for the Parish to help parishioners, whether providing a means of recycling their old handsets or answering any questions about mobile phones ie texting, calling, roaming, settings and using all the functions of your phone.

PARISH CLEANUPS

The focus of Parish specific support activity extends beyond the quizzes and classes with a monthly beach / community area clean where parishioners will be invited to pull together to an area of the beach / parish, which needed some much needed clear up of rubbish.

We know people do love their parish and love getting Involved in parish life / events. These events and initiatives are vehicles that Airtel Vodafone want to set up to help celebrate this. We'll be covering the activity in future issues but learn more at www.airtel-vodafone.je

TAKE ANOTHER LITTLE PIECE OF MY HEART NOW, BABY

seems like only vesterday that I was this column writing on the thorny subject of divorce, but much like a particularly contagious of leprosy, subject is a gift that just keeps on giving. After all, most of us will (at one time or another) go through the unpleasant process of splitting up with someone before slowly realising that a substantial amount of your stuff has, through some mystical process, now become their stuff.

Whether it's a really good CD or a T-shirt from that concert you loved, what was previously your property is now in the hands of your bitter and twisted ex and it ain't ever coming back. In fact, it might already be enjoying its new life as a drink coaster or dishcloth. You may think that lawyers are clever enough to get around situations like this but in fact they tend to come off worse than anyone as if you are a partner in a law firm, you have unlimited liability for the debts of the whole firm. This means that most lawyers put all of their significant assets into the names of their other halves (or even children) so that when the bailiff (but hopefully not THE Bailiff) comes a-knocking, you can say with a straight face that the farmhouse, car collection and yacht don't actually belong to you. This arrangement then has predictably dire consequences in a divorce situation as the lawyer has to convince the court that the assets were of course his/hers after all.

Anyway, if you were pained at the thought of losing your material possessions in a break-up, think how much worse it must be for Dr Richard Batista, a surgeon from the USA. Dr Batista was so devastated after his wife had undergone two failed kidney transplant operations that he offered her one of his own kidneys - only to then see her start an alleged affair with her physiotherapist after a tragic postoperation karate accident (no, really). Unfortunately, he didn't describe it as a "body blow" but I'm going to pretend that he did for the purposes of this

paragraph. What he actually said was, "I saved her life. But the pain is unbearable. It put a hole in my heart that still exists" - thus demonstrating a worrying lack of anatomical knowledge for a surgeon.

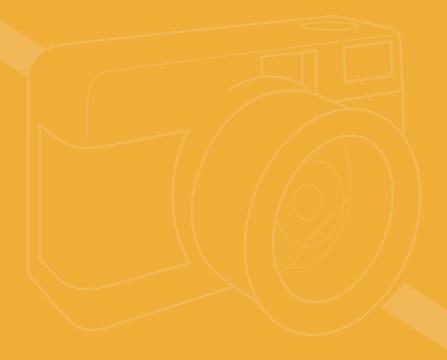
Divorce proceedings ensued, and everything was looking disturbingly normal (for America) until his soon-tobe ex-wife stopped him seeing their

However unedifying the proceedings may be, I worry that we may be about to witness the birth of a new breed of gold-digger - one that, after checking the health of your wallet, gives you a less metaphorical check-up. "Oh, what blue eyes you have. And what sturdy-looking corneas. Tell me, does heart disease run in your family?"

children, at which point he decided that enough was enough and demanded his kidney back. Or \$1,500,000, if the kidney wasn't available (this in marked contrast to many divorced men who would happily sacrifice both a kidney and the money, if only they could have their b*lls back). The wife responded by launching a PR campaign of her own, trying to taint his reputation and make her seem like less of an awful, awful person - "[He] was rummaging though her underwear drawer and sniffing her underwear, trying to catch the telltale stench of infidelity", Dawnell Batista's lawyer Douglas Rothkopf told the court. Mmm. "The telltale stench of infidelity" - I'm sure Lynx are trying to copyright that phrase right now for their new fragrance - a heady combination of vodka, sweat and soul-calcifying guilt. However unedifying the proceedings may be, I worry that we may be about to witness the birth of a new breed of gold-digger - one that, after checking the health of your wallet, gives you a less metaphorical check-up. "Oh, what blue eyes you have. And what sturdy-looking corneas. Tell me. does heart disease run in your family?" More seriously, genuine legal questions are raised over what rights you have over your body and its assorted goopy bits and by-products. Michael Crichton painted a startling picture in his book Next of a situation where a laboratory gained ownership of a person's genes and hunted him down so that they could be harvested for profit, but that situation is a bit farfetched - far more likely is the prospect of unemployed and destitute people being used as organ farms for the wealthy (although you may want to be a bit careful with the lungs, liver and genitals of your average chav as it's all too easy to imagine where they've been).

I suppose the moral of the story is 'don't give one of your precious organs to someone who may later have an affair with their physiotherapist following a tragic post-operation karate accident', but surely everyone already knows that? How about 'be careful where you put your bits as you might not get them back even if you really want them'? That works for everyone. Especially lepers.





EVENTS



put it in your diary....

The event section is a popular one. People looking at people. It's what happens in Jersey and what Gallery is all about. If you've got a message to get across to our readers, you could place it here on a page all of your own. If you're a business looking for bold, cost effective advertising in a premium environment, give us a call and ask about the events banner.

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here is no doubt that the Chartered Institute of Marketing awards is a highlight in the corporate event calander. Yes, it's a black tie type event but, at the same time, it's marketing people and you know what marketing people are like.

This year was the best looking yet with the whole place junglefied and nubile young things prancing around in leopard and tiger suits and spinning on trapezes. That can never be a bad thing. As far as we can remember everyone enjoyed themselves immensely but, having won a few awards for our little magazine, it got a little hazy towards the end.





congratulations to the WINNERS

Student Marketer of the Year: Natasha O'Connor of Jersey Telecom (not shown)

Best Brand Campaign: Gallery for Gallery Growth (D)

Best Use of New Media: Durrell for www.durrellwildlife.org (A)

Best Use of Traditional Media: The Institute of Directors for The IoD Annual Debate (H)

Best Use of Public Relations: Jersey Fire & Rescue for 'Make a Plan' (F)

Best CRM Programme: HSBC Bank International for their 766 Retention Campaign (G)

Best Marketing Achievemen

Aztec Group for their direct mail campaign 'Try a New Flavour' (J)&(L), and Funky Puffin for Funky Puffin Growth (C)*

Best Agency Contribution of the Year: Side-on Creative (B)

Best Integrated Marketing Campaign: Jersey Enterprise for the Jersey Lobster Campaign (I) & (K)

Marketing Excellence – 2008: Gallery for Gallery Growth (H)

* For the first time in CIM Awards history, the Judges decided to choose two winners to reflect the overall high standard of all entries in this category.



The awards this year saw around 600 of the Island's marketing and creative professionals join together to celebrate their successes in professional excellence. The event went down a storm and the awards were hailed a resounding success. More entries were received this year than ever before and this CIM event is the largest of its kind in the Western World, second only to Singapore. Not bad for our little island, huh?

OPENINGS & EVENTS

Collins Stewart Wealth Management pulled corks recently to celebrate the arrival of the 2008 Beaujolais Nouveau and members of Jersey's financial community packed the Maritime Museum to try the fruity vintage.

"The evening was a great success"

said Catherine Howard, Business Development and Marketing Manager. "It gave Collins Stewart a perfect opportunity to catch up with all our industry friends in the convivial surroundings of the Maritime Museum."





PATCHES AHOY!

Ever been to a 'Patch Party'? No, neither had Gallery, so more than a little intrigued, we joined over 40 children and their families at the Christmas 'Patch Party' organised for them by the team at the General Hospital's eye clinic.

Acting Head Orthoptist Sarah Peel secured sponsorship from both national and local companies and charities to give the clinic's young patients a fantastic Christmas treat.

Everyone received presents from Santa – who looked suspiciously like Hospital Optometrist Nick Quérée – and throughout the event Sarah, fellow orthoptist Laura Tuff and their colleagues were on hand to answer parents' questions while dishing out mince pies and playing party games with their enthusiastic young patients.

One of the highlights of the party was the appearance of magician Joe Francis, who kept both children and parents intrigued and amused with his tricks, while another special guest was CTV's Oscar Puffin.

As part of their treatment, children with unequal vision, also known as amblyopia, need to wear a patch on their good eye to improve the vision in their bad eye. Wearing a patch can be difficult for both the child and their family so the party also provided the opportunity to meet others going through the same situation and share tips and helpful hints.











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The first British Red Cross charity shop on Jersey Launch Party

The Bailiff and Lady Bailhache officially opened the shop at this launch event. This is the first time that the charity has had a shop on the island, despite Jersey's long and special history with the Red Cross – most memorably the arrival of S.S. Vega on 30 December 1944, loaded with 750 much needed food parcels.







Mark Astarita, Head of Fundraising for the British Red Cross, said:

"The opening of the first Red Cross shop on Jersey is a momentous occasion. The Red Cross shop on Guernsey, open for the last ten years, was the charity's most profitable shop last year and we hope to emulate and even better this on Jersey to raise money for the vital work of the British Red Cross across the world and around the corner. Come along and check out the new shop, or perhaps donate stock or volunteer – all will enable the British Red Cross to help vulnerable people in a crisis."

As well as selling second-hand clothes goods, the shop will also stock a number of new items like handbags, jewellery and lifestyle products.

Candy Stripe Party Planning launch party

This event took place upstairs in ROJO on New Year's Eve. The room was beautifully decorated, and filled with gorgeous girls and happy men enjoying the atmosphere and abundance of free candy!

Candy Stripe are a female-focused events management business, specialising in unique and exclusive parties such as milestone birthdays, girls' nights out, themed parties, hen nights and even a bit of table dressing. Everything they arrange is bespoke and made-to-order for the client. Check out their website for more information www.candy-stripe.com











Christmas Pudding Race

This event which was held to raise money for Cancer Research, took place in the Weighbridge Square. Each team ran a relay race in the square carrying a Christmas pudding on a tray whilst using their skills to negotiate a number of obstacles along the way. A big crowd formed all the way around the square to watch the shenanigans.







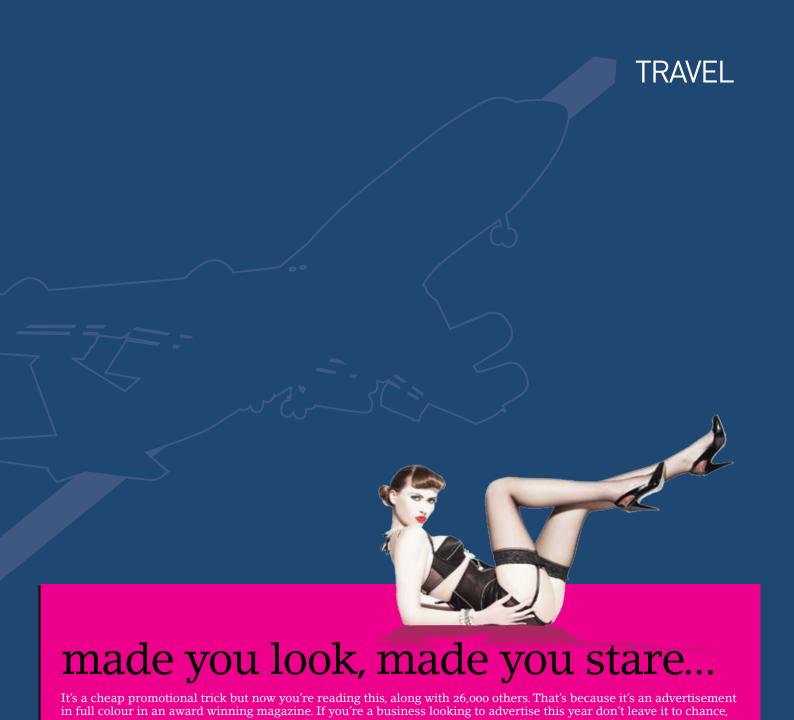
The race, which was held for the first time in Jersey last year and which is held annually in Covent Garden, is one of the major events on the calendar for Cancer Research UK. The Great Christmas Pudding Race in Jersey last year attracted more than 120 participants and raised £10,000 for the charity. The Jersey race is sponsored by Voisin and Volaw Trust & Corporate Services Limited.

Georgina Jeffries, Head of Marketing, Voisin and Volaw Trust & Corporate Services Limited, added:

'We are thrilled to be able to support Cancer Research UK through the pudding race again this year. Last year's Great Christmas Pudding Race was a lot of fun and we hope that this year's race will attract plenty of festive characters to the Weighbridge Square.'

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Forget the Merry Hell of Mirabel and the Tattyness of Tignes, this year, venture a little further upstream in your search for fresh lines and fun times.

Gallery asked snowboard photographer Natalie Mayer for her thoughts on where to seek winter sports solace. Before settling for the splendour of Mount Bingham, Natalie spent 8 years as the senior photographer for Whitelines Snowboard magazine, exploring and photographing the mountain ranges of the world.





Mayrhofen, Austria

Altitude: High enough to to have to question it. Closest airport: Innsbruck, 75km. Website: www.mayrhofen.at

Mayrhofen is the last stop in the Ziller Valley, a town usually occupied by feisty old farmers vocally suffering the annual winter invasion by hordes of thrill-seeking snow riders. With a world-class fun park (where the elements are cannily sculpted into the earth in the summer, ensuring a better shape for the winter), serviced by a super speedy four-man chair and the coolest park shaping crew in Europe, combined by enough easy access freeride terrain to loose yourself in for months, Tirol's little secret is quickly gaining the reputation as Austria's sweetest snowboard spot.

Where to Stay

Most board riders opt to rent a self catering apartment keeping costs down and cosiness levels up. Deals are constantly changing, but the Tourism Office keep a list of what is available where.

Where to Party

Scotland Yard is the traditional snowboarders haunt. But anywhere will do once the Jaegermeister starts to flow.

Niseko, Japan

Altitude: Not high like the Alps, but bumpy & fun. Closest airport: Sapporo, 105km
Resort website: www.niseko.com

Ranked as the second snowiest resort area in the world, Niseko is the winter wonderland of the East, with a large stash of poofy powder, sprinkled like sugar over its blissful bumps. Japan is unique in its mountain terrain; forget the steeps and peaks of Europe, this Land of the Midnight Sun is more about magical forests and mysterious tree runs. There may be an unfortunate McDonald's splonked midmountain, but venture in for a wee McSh**e to experience the pure joy of heated toilet seats and a warm-water bum wash after a hard days shredding.

Where to Stay

Opt for somewhere low key and traditional to enhance the fun of a culture shock. Eat food you couldn't begin to describe, and learn from the locals about the weird and wonderful traditions of Japan.

Where to party

Guy's (people call it the Fridge Bar), and The Ice Bar (it's actually made of ice), are the places to head.



Talma, Finland

Altitude: About 500m, if that. This isn't about the size of the hill, it's the jumping, spinning elves that you are here to see.

Closest airport: Helsinki, 35km

Resort website: www.talmaski.fi

Talma is kind of a joke. Only it's not, because it has churned out some of the best-of-thebest snowboarders that the world has ever seen. It's a tiny hill. You'll be luckily to link 9 turns on your way down. But it is packed with small elf like creatures, colourfully dressed and adhering to an exaggerated sense of snowboard style you'd have trouble explaining to your mother. Big trousers, slung low below bums, hats poking 10 cm above heads, big goggles dwarfing little faces. Don't giggle, once you see these Finnish snow trolls throw their bruiseproof bums off icy death jumps, spinning more times that you could count even in slow motion, you'll give them the respect they deserve. Unlike their softer southern counter parts, snowboarders from Finland grow up hitting icy jumps, serviced by a super fast drag lift, again and again, and again. It's like a factory for skill on a board. This is a place where champions are made.

Where to Stay

Make this more of a snowboard sight seeing city break with a party loving friend. Stay in the lovely capital of Helsinki, watch the beautiful people, listen to their strange cute language, take walks through snowy side streets to find gangs of elves riding on hand rails in the dead of night.

Where to Party

The city is your playground. Drink with the locals. But remember they are better at it than you. Try to keep up, and maybe you won't know, or care, that you just spent 8 hours dancing to happy hardcore with your trousers round your ankles.

Gulmarg, Kashmir, India

Altitude: Seriously high. You'll know about it when the gondola breaks down.
Closest airport: Srinagar, 56 (hair raising) km
Resort website: www.gulmarg.org

Gulmarg is for the seriously adventurous. The Lonely Planet thinks you shouldn't go there. Perhaps they want to keep the fresh faces of untracked, unploughed snow to themselves? The Gondola is the highest in the world, scaling to 3980m. It is also likely to be the oldest, and to have had the most previous owners. Even Italy didn't want this one. On a 2 week stay, expect to spend one week hiking under the lift, whilst the Kashmiri soldiers consider how to get it repaired. If the lift is working, expect to share it with a boy soldier, and an AK-47. Kashmir is still officially a warzone, and the mountain is splattered with soldiers, guarding their territory. So, it may be the only place in the world where you get searched for explosives before you get on the lift, but the locals are the friendliest on earth, delighted that people have once again begun to visit their blossoming winter paradise.

Where to Stay

There are some surprisingly posh hotels up here. Hot water is readily available, if you don't mind fighting for it at a fixed half hour slot each evening. And taking your bath in a small bucket. Expect to eat mutton, and lots of curry, and don't forget the imodium.

Where to Party

This isn't really the kind of place you'll want to venture about in after dark. If you do, I'm sure there are a couple of hotel bars willing to serve you expensive alcohol, but it's not really the local's cup of tea. They would, in fact, prefer to serve you a cup of tea. If you want to crunch through the snow after dark, consider taking a can of deodorant and a lighter with you to fend off any overzealous snow leopards.

Castle Mountain, Canada

Altitude: Nice and high, but your ears won't pop. Closest airport: Calgary, 270km Resort website: www.skicastle.ca

Castle Mountain is the wild and woolly alternative option for riding in Canada. Forget big hotels and soulless highrises, Castle is centered around a snowy trailer park, inhabited by die-hard mountain devotees happy to rough it in return for the steepest emptiest lines in North America. English accents are a rarity, locals will wonder where you came from and how you found them. With none of the anonymity of the larger resorts, a few enthusiastic days of riding the mountain, combined with a couple of evenings drinking in the cosy local bar, will gain you new friends - chuffed by your sense of adventure, and possibly a little on edge as they wonder whether their secret is almost out.

Where to Stay

Despite many of the locals living in trailers, tourists are offered the luxury of one of 8 (only 8) well equipped cabins. Or try the Castle Mountain Ski Lodge and Hostel for friendly accommodation on a budget.

Where to party

In a smoky trailer with your new friends and a bottle of whisky to keep you all warm.











'SNOW JOKE?

letter from **Dubai**

words:Guy Richardson

Being a winter sports enthusiast always has its problems. Firstly, Jersey's ability to avoid any snow what so ever (whilst still managing to succumb to subzero temperatures), which somewhat hampers the idea of skiing down St Saviour's Hill, or any other suitable 'piste'. I'm sure Mont Cochon would make an excellent black run.

The second problem involves those around you who may well think that the giant slalom is an event open to only those over a height of 6'10 - which of course it isn't. These beings, who know as much about skiing as Alistair Darling knows about banking, seek the warmth of a week in the sun rather than the adrenalin-fuelled prospect of plunging over the edge of a mountain with either one or two plank(s) strapped to their feet. Yes, you know the sort of person I'm talking about. The type who, at the slightest mention of a weekend in Courchevel ask a particularly deep-thinking question such as, "But with all that snow, isn't it cold?"

After the exasperation of explaining the idea of why it is necessary to have specific meteorological conditions, which may well be considered 'cold', in order to produce the precipitation commonly known as 'snow', you may well find yourself in the same position as me; ready to give in to the warm-blooded sun worshipers and jet off to some tropical paradise in the search of some winter sun. So that's why this Christmas I found myself relaxing on a beach in Dubai (okay, it's not tropical but being an ex-desert it's hot and gets a fair bit of sun), rather than hurling myself down a mountain in the French Alps. I suppose it could be worse. Such is the state of our world that no matter where you are, you can conveniently log on to Facebook and view photos of your 'friends', or probably more likely 'vague acquaintances', having a great time in the white stuff (that's snow, for those of you with the maturity levels of a 16 year old). And it was because of this that I decided to force myself out of my habit of lying in the sun, which I was starting to see the attraction of, and head to the third largest indoor skiing centre in the world-Ski Dubai.

As I was expecting to be spending a week in the warmth of the Arabian sun, I hadn't really thought of packing the normal paraphernalia that goes with a skiing holiday. Therefore I was relieved to see that, kindly, Ski Dubai

provides you with the appropriate attire necessary for the 2 hours skiing that your 180 Dirham (roughly £35) buys you; albeit attire that was probably last seen on the ever-so-chic pistes of Courchevel in the 70s.

On first sight of the 'amazing 22,500 square metre indoor ski centre', which includes an impressive looking snow park, I didn't think the two hours would be enough to sample such skiing delights as the 'world's first indoor black run.' However on reaching the top of the authentic chairlift, which thankfully did not go as far as to include authentic wind-chill, and skiing down the 400 metre long run, I soon realised what it is that attracts me to a skiing holiday. It's not so much as the actual physical activity, it's more the fact that, in a real ski resort, you can actually go somewhere and can look around and see real trees. Somehow going up and down the same run, whilst taking in a dome and its metal structure, doesn't quite manage to replace the experience of skiing down a mountain whilst looking across at the snow-capped peaks of the Alps.

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That's not to say, however, that I hated the Ski Dubai experience. I definitely enjoyed the novelty of going from swimming to skiing in the space of about an hour, and for anyone going to Dubai it's worth visiting just for that. But that is all it is. A novelty. What indoor skiing does not do is act as a substitute for the real holiday. So my advice is, if you want to go skiing—go skiing, and the same applies if, after the arctic temperatures of Jersey's winter, you want to find a place in the sun. Don't go thinking that heading to somewhere hot with a nearby indoor ski centre will satisfy both needs. Oh, and if you

centre will satisfy both needs. Oh, and if you really want to go to an indoor skiing centre, stay in Jersey. There's a certain Fort with a certain dome that's beginning to look like it may well serve a purpose...



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They say Dubai's good for shopping. Personally, I wasn't that impressed. Yellow Gold and C&A... hmm. If you're heading to the slopes this month you can pick up your essentials right here in Jersey. Want to look ice cool? Feast your eyes on some of these winter must haves.



Croakies Retainers

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The paradise island of Mauritius is a civilised mix of idyllic beaches, dramatic scenery and the most heavenly service

The stewardess approached me with a glass of champagne and a smile, "Your Majesty, how would you like me to address you during the flight?" Mmm, let's see... 'Your Royal Highness' works every time and I've always enjoyed a well-executed curtsey. It seems having my time off sorted by Mauritius's top holiday guru was certainly a good move. I could certainly get used to this. Shame my lack of monogrammed luggage gave me away as the Queen of Denmark took her seat in the row behind.

Out of the airport and blinking into the glorious sunshine, we were greeted by the warm smile of our driver. Mauritius is the quintessentially tropical isle - the dictionary definition of paradise. Off the south east coast of Africa, this jewel of the Indian Ocean, is almost totally encircled by the third largest coral reef in the world. Powder white sandy beaches make up much of the 200 miles of coastline and, in the dramatic interior, a backbone of volcanic mountains rise 800m above the turquoise sea. Add to that, year-round

sunshine and overnight flights from the UK and it's little wonder that it tops the list of luxury destinations.

Vinay is just the sort of driver that starts your holiday on the right foot. As we zipped along smooth roads, between fields of sugar cane, he was knowledgeable and passionate about his island. Mauritius is a tolerant, ethnic melting pot of cultures and peoples. Everyone is an immigrant, or descendent of one, and no one culture can claim precedence over the other. As a result, everyone speaks English, French and Creole (Hindi and Mandarin are also spoken by those of Indian and Chinese descent). This makes it an extremely civilized, cultured and harmonious place to visit. It's no surprise to learn that this young, dynamic and educated workforce is the choice for foreign investment and the IT, telecoms and financial services industries are growing as the more traditional sugar and textile production tails off. We chatted away. What did we think of Barack Obama? How was the global financial gloom affecting Jersey? In our over-excitement to be on holiday, we had left our camera on the plane. No trouble at all. A call through to his White Sands colleague and it was retrieved and delivered to our hotel that afternoon. This seemed par for the course, "You come with Susie Freeman, all Susie Freeman's guests are VIP's."

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own travel. Our dream holiday is only a few clicks away and we are all adept at shopping around and comparing prices. So where's the need for a travel specialist in the 21st century? But you're not buying car insurance; our precious holidays shouldn't be a gamble. You need someone who understands precisely what floats and what rocks your boat. You need honest and impartial advice. After all, you are spending your hard earned cash and trusting your valuable time, so it should be perfect. There's nothing more gutting than a disappointing holiday.

Step in Susie Freeman. With her eponymous travel company, she has more than 20 years' experience in top trips to Mauritius. She knows all the island's hotels personally, and, just as importantly, they know her. Susie can make an individual recommendation to match your needs and exceed your expectations. Whether you are looking for the best spot for a romantic twosome, a family break or planning a wedding or honeymoon, you want to eliminate the very possibility of error. How can the web blurb understand

that you don't want to be up at 6am to reserve your sun lounger, that you need a totally chilled spa, seriously good food and your husband might want a round of golf and is very tricky when it comes to pillows? One Jersey couple weren't happy with the kids' club in their hotel. One call to Susie and by lunchtime they were sitting in another sumptuous hotel up the beach, sipping a chilled glass of rosé with happy children splashing in the waves. Isn't that the sort of unbeatable service you want?

Our first stop was the Shrandrani resort in the south west of the island. Its 300 rooms open onto a perfectly private peninsula, fringed with white beaches. On one side is a safe turquoise lagoon, ideal for sailing, waterskiing, kayaking and snorkelling and on the other is a wilder beach, largely left to the pleasure of keen kite surfers.

The location is fab but the best bit is that the Shrandrani is one of the new breed of five-star, all-inclusive resorts. Don't worry, there is nothing of the mass-

market horror of acres of sunburned flesh queuing at the all-you-can-eat buffet. The tone is smart and relaxed. The four restaurants are absolutely top notch and you can choose from a good wine list, French champagne and holiday cocktails. Also included is an endless list of water sports - including diving - golf, tennis, football, mountain biking, aerobics and yoga. The hotel is perfect for families, with safe pools for tinies and an excellent kids' club. There's everything for couples and groups of friends who like being active, or the idea of being active (not necessarily the same thing) or alternatively being very, very lazy. Everyone's happy. And your final bill will be for little more than a couple of spa treatments - a 45-minute massage is complimentary but it's such a perfect oasis, you'll want to come back for more. Huge peace of mind when you want to stick to your holiday budget.

My work-worn, winter husband (he of the pillows) wanted to be pampered and applied himself seriously to working through the menu of luxurious spa treatments from Ayurvedicto Shiatzu, while I did sun salutations to the real sun, on the sports centre terrace. We did venture out on a Hobie Cat, under the watchful eye of the experienced sailing school. It had been years since I'd taken the helm of a little boat but we tacked up to the edge of the reef and skimmed back over the clear blue sea for a celebratory beer.

An hour and a half's drive away, on Grand Baie, one of the island's most beautiful beaches in the north, was our next hotel - the superlatively lovely, six-star Royal Palm. You arrive into a striking open-sided structure, combining stone, wood and thatch that is remarkably both solid and light. Installed at the bar, sipping a mojito, looking out at the dazzling horizontal strip of azure sea perfectly framed by the dark thatch, wave of perfect bliss



washes over us. The Royal Palm is grown up and sophisticated, private and intimate. The pools are lined in polished slate, the outdoor furniture is über-chic Dedon, the gardens are beautifully planted with hibiscus and bougainvillea and, of course, royal palms. Suites are smart, with 200-thread linen, changed daily. By night the low lighting gives a subtly warm, romantic glow and guests dress for dinner. Not surprisingly, this is the favourite choice of French presidents and those celebrities with little to prove. We were half expecting to see Sarkozy and Carla, jogging along the beach or checking into the spectacularly impressive new Clarins spa to try the Abhyanga four-hand, full body massage.

The restaurants are overseen by head chef, Michel de Matteis, winner of numerous awards, including Michelin stars. The food is first class French with some Mauritian influences and using the freshest local produce. The wine list is pretty serious with some big hitting French names. Jean-Luc Naret, head of the illustrious Michelin guide, says the Bar Plage is his favourite ever lunchtime spot. It's easy to see why. Under the wide leaves of the century-old badamier tree, smiling waiters bring refined yet simple dishes. Heaven. The Royal Palm is arguably the best hotel on this island of soaring standards and service is so smiley and charming you feel like you must have done something wonderful. We swam, ate, drank and wafted around in an exquisitely perfect bubble. If you are looking for the ultimate treat à deux then look no further.

With all this spoiling, it's easy to see why most guests don't venture outside their hotel. But you'd be missing out because, unlike other beach spots, there is plenty to do in Mauritius. The wild expanse of the Black River Gorges Natural Park, high up on the volcano is a haven for wildlife and fauna. You can see guava and rare black ebony tree and spot the famous pink pigeon, Mauritius kestrel or macaque monkeys. (Animals in Mauritius have the grace not to be poisonous or dangerous, just as the volcanoes have the decency to be extinct.) We got an authentic taste of the 18th century colonial world at the perfectly preserved Eureka, an Creole mansion and swam in one of the island's many waterfalls below. Vinay suggested a catamaran sail to the northern isles of Gabriel and Plate where we were joined by dolphins off the front of the boat.

The credit crunch means that the island is bracing itself for a difficult year. Good news for visitors who will find hotels at less than full capacity and hot deals to be had. Mauritius doesn't do mass tourism but the global crisis means that you will be able to get luxury for less. The charming locals will be pleased to see you and you'll always be treated like royalty.





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It's that time of year when The Harbour Gallery showcase work from local up and coming artists.

The annual up and coming exhibition is for those who are aspiring to a career in art or design. Previous exhibitors have gone on to have solo exhibitions and even won the JJFox painting competition and received prestigious commissions. The exhibition gives newcomers a chance to exhibit just a very small amount of work as part of a group. The exhibition who is sponsored by Lloyds TSB will be officially opened by Mrs Valerie Ridgway, Patron of Art in the Frame & Lieutenant General Andrew Ridgway CB CBE Governor of Jersey at 7.00pm

Exhibitors are:

Lucy Gage (Photography / graphics)
Jane James (ceramics on the invitation)
Chris McCarthy (computer design)
Jan Ison (local landscape photography)
George Waggott (painting)
Deborah Gough (painting)
Lewis Matthews (prototype lighting)

Thursday 5th - Monday 23rd February 6.30 - 8.30pm @ The Harbour Gallery



Local textile artist Lisa MacDonald is opening a new shop above the cafe called Faeries and Frogs.

The shop is going to be a little unusual, with a woodland installation that will hopefully delight its customers. The ethos behind the idea is about visiting a magical place; a place that sells sweets, toys, games and activities like Art in the Bag products, based around imaginative play and faery tale. Lisa is hoping that the magical atmosphere of the place will captivate children and adults who never really grew up alike. On Sunday February 8th between 12 - 4pm at the Harbour Gallery we are holding an opening event that will include story telling by Simon MacDonald and many art based fun faery tale activities and food for FREE.



If you look closely the brushstrokes here are surfboards! Chris McCarthy wanted to created something that fell between a photo and a painting which was abstract at the same time. This piece is one of three, made up of custom drawn surfboards with custom graphics. Using a photo, Chris has created a mosaic with a custom drawing tool (program) which he wrote himself to get the effect just right.



Jane James' ceramics have been inspired by Jersey's beautiful beaches and deep blue sea marine life to create colourful fish, sailing boats and sea birds. Each one is individually hand crafted and glazed using crystalline glazes that produce a magical lustre finish. These are then mounted on local driftwood and fishing rope reclaimed from the beaches around Jersey to create unique pieces of coastal art.



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DIRTEOX

The ethos behind the 'Dirtbox' group is to encourage the collaboration of young artists within the island and further afield.

The development of an art community within the island was the primary concern for the founding members, as well as the trading of ideas and assisting one another through communication. They believe in bringing a new and fresh perspective to the art scene currently in place in Jersey, giving new graduates the opportunities to showcase their ideas and thus promoting a new and progressive direction for art within the island with the hope of encouraging a new generation of artist, one who'll use Jersey as a base for their working practice.

Collective work equals collective strength and communication. As two visiting lecturers for Highlands College School of Art, Corey Moore and Chantal Venton both come into close communication with the concerns of future artists/craftspeople, so the Dirtbox could potentially offer a lot to a new growing community of artists.

Corey graduated from the Arts Institute at Bournemouth, with a Bachelors degree in Illustration. His work is based heavily in the genre of stencil graffiti, pop art and graphic art. A recurring theme within his work is politics and social observation. His work is comprised of silk screen, stencil graffiti, digital scope and traditional draught techniques.

Chantal graduated from Falmouth College of Art, with a Bachelors degree in Contemporary Crafts. Here she studied a variety of techniques including ceramics, plaster and laser cutting which she has then carried on into her further works. Chantal primarily continues to work in ceramics, choosing slip castings as main technique. But for this exhibition Chantal has also expressed some of her ideas in silk screen prints and hand printed fabric design which she then has used to re-upholster pieces of furniture.

For the future of the Dirtbox, Chantal, Corey and (the hired gun) Sacha 'the stash' Goodwin are investigating new possible locations for the headquarters for the collective, where they could incorporate a gallery and working studio space. All will be welcome to come and view contemporary artwork. The gallery space will be available for artists to use for their own exhibitions and facilitating the production of their own work, this all being under criteria set by the founding members.

They are also looking for help and sponsorship to assist in the realization of this new scheme which will hopefully be the beginning of a new and exciting development within the art and cultural scene in Jersey. Think you can help? Get in touch with us here at Gallery and we can pass on your details!

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Hautlieu School Creative Arts Faculty has teamed up to produce and display examples of their own practice in the fields of illustration, painting, photography, filmmaking and more. The subject matter within the exhibition does not share a recurrent theme but is personal to each of the tutors respectively. These concepts, ideas and techniques are often passed down to the students and help to inspire a broad range of tutor-lead projects that challenge many social, historical emotional and political issues.

Mon 9 Feb 2009 to Sat 28 Feb 2009
Preview: Monday 9 February 5.30pm - 7pm





Here's a chair, > re-trimmed by Chantal using her own prints, which can also been seen in the background of this page

showing

at the Jersey Opera House this month

Mark Watson - All the thoughts I've had since I was born Friday 6th February

He is one of Britain's most talked about comedians, but also, is quite tired and a bit stressed. He returns to the road with a brand new show where he describes his attempts to reclaim his sanity.



Ed Byrne 'Different Class' Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th February

Irish comic and star of BBC 2's Mock the Week, Ed Byrne returns with his blisteringly funny critically acclaimed one man show about marriage, class, the youth of today and anything else that strikes him as humorous.



Bjorn Again 20th Anniversary Tour Monday 23rd February

Performing the greatest hits of ABBA. This promises to be a great party night out for every one of all ages.



Viennese Strauss Gala

Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th February

This Show features the highlights from some of the great Operettas of the Strauss family, Kalman and Lehar, including Die Fledermaus, The Merry Widow and many more.



An Audience with Benjamin Zephaniah Thursday 26th February

Join Benjamin Zephaniah, one of the most high-profile international authors writing today as he talks about his life, reads extracts of his poetry and takes questions from the audience.



The Reduced Shakespeare Company presents: The Bible: The complete word of God (abridged)

Friday 27th & Saturday 28th February

It's apocalypse now as the three cultural guerrillas of The Reduced Shakespeare Company set their reductive sites on The Bible. Can bolts of lightning be far behind?



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Letter From London

THIS MONTH NINA SPOKE TO ANDY CHATTERLY BUT IT WAS SO GOOD WE GAVE IT ITS OWN SPREAD. WE LOVE HAVING ALL THIS COOL STUFF IN GALLERY. IF YOU KNOW ABOUT THINGS GOING ON BEYOND THE 45 SQUARE MILES WE CALL HOME, EMAIL CULTURE@GALLERYMAGAZINE.CO.UK



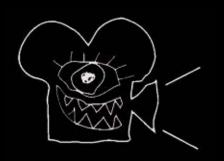
If you could...

Each year, for the past three years, London design studio HudsonBec has invited contemporary image-makers to respond to the question – 'If you could do anything tomorrow, what would it be?' 2008's image-makers were a carefully chosen group which included the likes of Genevieve Gauckler, Kate Moross, Luke Best and Rob Ryan and each month two of them - one established and one emerging - were invited to create a poster. These two-colour limited edition screenprints were only available to buy from the If You Could website and were only available for one month. In December, an exhibition of each month's prints was on display at the Kemistry Gallery, London and the highly sought after number 1 prints of every piece were available to buy framed as part of a silent auction. www.ifyoucould.co.uk



Writers' Rooms

Eamonn McCabe's photographic work is featured each Saturday in the Guardian, his photos show the working environments of novelists, biographers, playwrights and poets. Last month a selection of photographs of writers' rooms went on display at Madison Contemporary Art, London. Prints included Will Self's room, Ian Rankin's and Beryl Bainbridge's and each of these personal spaces gave you an insight into the writer's life. "I have always enjoyed photographing loners," writes McCabe. "When I was covering sport it was boxers in their gyms. Now I'm older, I enjoy photographing writers, poets and artists. The one thing they all have in common is that they work alone." More information can be found at www.madisonlondon.com



LONDON SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

London Short Film Festival 2009

This year's London Short Film Festival had a programme that catered for everyone. Whether you're into horror, comedy, documentaries, fanatical about music or a romantic at heart, there was a screening or event to suit your taste. Spread across 10 venues all over London, the festival ran from 9th until 18th January and included a special event entitled 'Outsiders' in conjunction with Jersey's very own film festival, Branchage. More can be found at www.shortfilms.org.uk



First class design

London's most iconic designs are to be celebrated in a new set of stamps. The tube map has been chosen, along with the Routemaster bus and the classic red phone box, for the Royal Mail's British Design Classics. Other classic designs featured on the stamps include Mary Quant's miniskirt, the Spitfire and the Penguin Books jacket design.

One brilliant piece of British design that is close to millions of people's hearts is also featured the Mini. The revolutionary small car is still the most popular British designed and built car and the classic model remained in production up until 2000.



Jason Butler 100 days

From 20th November to 3rd December, a professional artist, Jason Butler and the MAT Fundraising Coordinator, Sam Evans traveled to Rwanda to see the MAT de-mining projects in action.

After the Genocide in 1994, Rwanda was left with 16 minefields that had a direct effect on civilians in Rwanda. Agriculture is the main source of employment so obviously land is the most important asset to the country. Not only have these minefields taken victims, they also created fear within communities.

The Mines Awareness Trust is an organisation that has been a part of the Mine Action world for the past 10 years. MAT has worked in Sri Lanka and Uganda and is currently working in The Sudan, Kosovo and Rwanda.

Jason Butler studied for his foundation course at Bristol Art College and at Cheltenham Art College for his fine art degree. Jason has achieved considerable

Jersey, winning in receiving notable commissions such as commemorating the Queens visit in 2001 for the Jersey Government and has had his work accepted twice for The British Portrait Award at the National Portrait Gallery in London.

Jason's work deals primarily with the human figure. The role of the outsider and the general public's reaction to them has played a large part in Jason's output particularly over the past several years.

Drawing is integral to Jason's practice specifically in the development of ideas and documenting events and experiences. Producing drawings 'on the spot' and responding to the circumstances and experiences at any given moment has particular appeal, not only in an artistic sense but also in how the drawings can communicate to a large audience.

From March 3rd 09, '100 Days' can be seen in 'The Gallery', St. Peter Port Guernsey for three weeks. before being shown in The Berni Gallery at the Jersey Arts centre 19th October-7th November 09.

www.minesawareness.org www.jasonbutler.info



Music Interview

ANDY CHATTERLEY

Jersey born musician, producer, remixer, label founder and DJ, Andy Chatterley, is the complete package. He's remixed tracks for the likes of Blondie, Kylie and Underworld, been nominated for a Grammy, played keyboards on Kanye West's album Graduation including number one single Stronger and produced for The Pussy Cat Dolls. I caught up with Andy to see what other exciting projects he currently has up his sleeve.

OW DID YOU GET INTO MUSIC? My dad Denis was a drummer in Jersey and my cousin Aaron played drums too in some local bands. One of my earliest memories of live music was seeing Aaron playing drums in his band 'Open For Ideas' in a club called The Firehouse (which later became Bonapartes at The Fort) when I was about 8. Anyway, with two drummers in the family it naturally followed that I would learn piano. After a few years of piano lessons I then convinced my good friend, the ubertalented Mark Law that we should form a band which we called 'Hunt The Dark Knight' (Mark liked Batman at the time), with Neil Guegan and Pete Vautier on drums and bass - we conquered Jersey, well we won the 1987 Channel Island rock contest. At fifteen, I joined up with other local musicians John Poole, Paul Ricard and Wayne Folon and Swamp Cabbage was born. We all left Jersey to seek out fame and fortune in London (ha!), and so I found myself aged sixteen with a synthesizer and a big city to explore. The aftermath of the summer of love and with acid house music engulfing London town at that time, it didn't take me long to find myself dancing at 8 in the morning in a darkened warehouse on the Holloway Road and in those moments a love of repetitive beats was born, I guess I was a drummer after all. A meeting with another local chap called Richard Schiessl, a shockingly talented producer and engineer, and we started making some acid house music in Richard's studio in London. We decided to set up a record company, which in a small capacity, arrived in the music business.

PROJECTS? God, there are so many. I get bored really, really quickly, so it has worked out well that I get to work on so many different projects. At the moment I spend a lot of my time producing and co-writing songs with a variety of different artists, signed and unsigned, as well as producing for other artists and writing as many techno tunes as I can. I have had a good run of it over the last few years producing and remixing as Skylark, The Buick Project and Edison, and it's allowed me to work with or remix some great artists including Kylie, Blondie, Underworld, Adam and the Ants, Nerina

Pallot, Tracey Thorne, Justice Vs Simian, Peter Bjorn and John, Tiefschwartz, Justin Timberlake, Siobhan Fahey, Pussy Cat Dolls, Kanye West etc etc... I have been lucky, but you are only really as good as your last production, so I have to keep it up!

AS LIFE CHANGED SINCE THE GRAMMY NOMINATION? Well, I got married and have two dogs but musically... I find that one thing tends to lead to another so from working with Siobhan Fahey led to producing the Pussy Cat Dolls then onto working with Kanye West. You just have to keep on doing good work. Musically I am working on a lot more 'pop' or 'song based' music... but perhaps that's just age?

OU'VE RECENTLY GOT INTO DJING TOO, WHAT KIND OF STUFF DO YOU PLAY AND WHERE HAS IT TAKEN YOU? Yeah indeed, strange that I didn't DJ earlier really! I play House and Techno. I love being able to play tracks that I have just made in the studio when I DJ out, it's a great way to test out whether a track works or not. I have been lucky so far to DJ in some great clubs over the last year. My favourite gig was playing at Zouk in Singapore, they have original Warhols in the club, it's an amazing place. This year we are having four big Saved Records nights (the record label I co-own with a DJ called Nic Fancuilli) at Matter, the new super club in the O2, Greenwich. The first night has Nic and I alongside Joel Mull, Francois K and Green Velvet. I am also playing the legendary Newcastle night 'Shindig' with Paolo Mojo in March. Actually, I have a fair few global dates booked for 2009, so I should be playing Asia, Australia, South America, USA and Canada, various European dates and of course Ibiza - happy days!

THEAR YOU'VE JUST PRODUCED THE DEBUT ALBUM FOR INDIE ACT THEORETICAL GIRL, TELL US MORE ABOUT THAT? Indeed, I just finished her album a few weeks ago, so we are just waiting for mastering. She is signed to Memphis Industries and hotly tipped for 2009. It ended up being quite a big project with lots of strings and brass and live instrumentation. I am really pleased with it; she is a great songwriter and deserves to do well, fingers crossed.

HAT ELSE IS ON THE HORIZON? Lots and lots of hard work, lots of production, lots of song writing, lots of DJing and not too much sleep.

Andy will be playing at Matter at the 02 on February 28th and you can also check out his production skills on Theoretical Girl's new Album, release date yet to be announced but you can hear more at www.myspace. com/iamtheoreticalgirl.

WE ASK: **DIRTYTRADES**

WHAT'S THE STORY BEHIND YOUR NAME?

Not much of a story to be honest. We couldn't come up with a name that we all agreed on and one of our earlier songs was called Dirtytrades. We thought it was a good name for the band so Dirtytrades it was.

WHAT ARE YOUR SONGS ABOUT?

Mates, enemies, love, loyalty, growing up, happiness, sadness, experiences, life... anything that interests us to be honest. I think people can relate to our songs. A lot of our mates can relate to the lyrics so that's quite cool.

HOW DID THE BAND START?

Tyron and Joe were playing cover acoustics sets around the pubs of Jersey for a couple of months before deciding to take things further and start a band. That's when Craig (drummer) joined before Jamie (bass) arrived to complete the line-up. Rehearsing in the back room of our local pub, the Corinthian (Big shout out to Chris!!) gave us the foundation to find our way about as a new band in Jersey. Then once the songs were ready the gigs came quick and fast.

WHAT IS YOUR COOLEST BAND STORY?

I think we can all agree it was when people started singing our songs back at us from the crowd. We released our first demos in August and had a gig at Bridge Bar a couple of weeks later and it was weird because people knew the words and were singing the songs just as loud as we were. Quite a good feeling to have other people singing your own tunes.

IF YOU HAD THE CHANCE TO INTERVIEW YOUR FANS, WHAT WOULD BE THE FIRST QUESTION YOU'D ASK?

Are you here for the music or our good looks?

IF YOU HAD SPACE IN YOUR BAND AND THE WHOLE WORLD WANTED TO JOIN, WHO WOULD YOU ACCEPT AND WHY?

Bernie Rogerson (Joe's mum) so she can make us spam sandwiches every night when were touring.

YOU'VE MADE IT ROLLING STONES BIG AND YOU COME BACK TO PLAY A HOMECOMING CONCERT IN JERSEY. WHERE WOULD YOU PLAY?

The Corinthian

WHAT'S THE PLAN FOR 2009?

The first target's Jersey Live og. Every band wants to play on the big stage in front of a couple of thousand so Jersey Live definitely. We've also been talking about crossing the pond to the mainland eventually so we'll see how that plans out. Other than that, just to keep on writing songs, playing gigs and have a few memorable nights on the way.

Are you in a local band and have something to say? Maybe you just like answering questions? Then get in touch with claire@gallerymagazine.co.uk

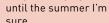




ON THE GALLERY HI-FI (WELL, ITUNES)

As we were getting ready for our print deadline this month we were emailed this year's releases from Jersey-based Tudor Moore AKA Third Floor Tiger.

And they're perfect for keeping your blood pressure down. The Morning Sun remixes featuring the vocals of the one and only Lloyd Yates have that perfect relaxed mix of balearic beats reminiscent of evenings watching the sun go down at Cafe del Mar (our own lovely St Ouen's)....this one's made for Jose and Bruno. The Sub Rosa EP picks up the pace a bit with heavier beats and a real 'late night in the city' feel. Considering it's belting it down outside it's good to drift away to this one. These will stay on the playlist





NATALIEMAYER

Better known and recognised for her winter sports photography, Jersey born photographer Natalie Mayer has recently taken a new step, into wedding and portrait photography.

After completing a degree in Visual Communication, Natalie worked on various snowboard and winter sports magazines such as Document, and Whitelines in London, and Method Magazine in Innsbruck. Austria. With a long list of clients including Burton, Quiksilver and Vans, and many years of photographic experience she eventually worked her way up to Senior Photographer for Whitelines, the UK's leading snowboard magazine. This is a role she still holds, although her contribution is reduced these days. 'It's hard to travel so much with our small baby in tow, but I will carry on doing a couple of trips a year as I love the work, and I miss spending time in the mountains'.

"I am really enjoying this new time working closely with people. In the low early-evening or morning light I can apply techniques to portraiture which I used whilst photographing in the mountains, enabling me to produce something really special"

A permanent move back to Jersey a couple of years ago led Natalie into wedding and portrait photography, which she has been concentrating on ever since. 'I'm really enjoying this new time working closely with people. I love being involved with all the elements of a couple's wedding day, and with the portraits, it is lovely to spend time getting to know new people and personalities. Jersey is such a beautiful location, when I take people for portrait sessions I like to do it in the outdoors. In the low early-evening or morning light I can apply techniques to portraiture which I used whilst photographing in the mountains, enabling me to produce something really special.

Back in Jersey, people have been very receptive to my way of working - I like to keep out of people's way, to ensure that everyone can relax with a photographer around, as far as is possible! It seems to me that brides also like working with a female photographer, as it is easier for us to get to know each other. When I'm photographing a wedding, I like to look for those tiny magical moments that happen between people, the ones that they often don't know are happening themselves. These are the kind of pictures that bring people genuine joy, as they spark memories they didn't know they had. That gives me a great feeling - knowing that I am helping to shape memories of such a happy time.'

Inspired by the work of traditional photojournalists and fashion photography, Natalie is constantly researching top wedding photographers looking for trends and ideas for her own work.

To view more present and past work, visit www.nataliemayer.com













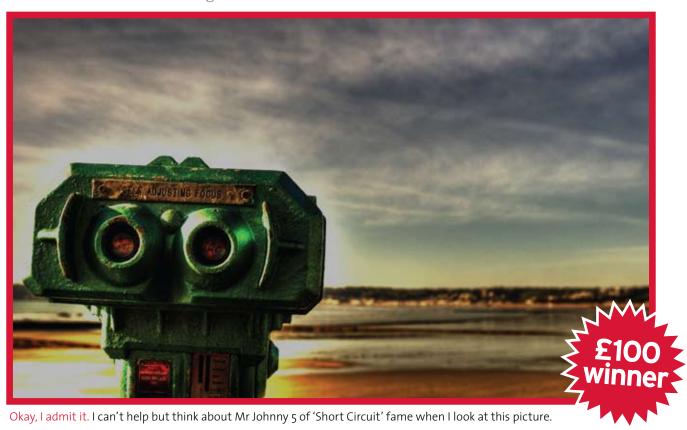


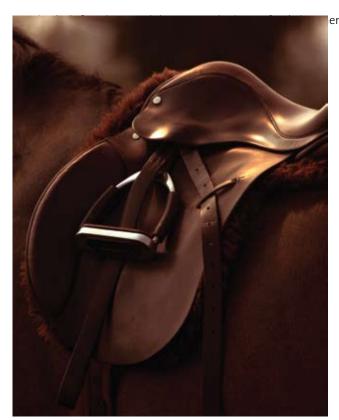


THE MONTHLY UPLOAD

If you're a budding artist or photographer you may have noticed that now you can get your work featured on these very pages in Gallery each month. Better still, each month we choose one winner who gets £100.

All you have to do is email your entry to; upload@gallerymagazine.co.uk and tell us a little about it. Make the files nice and big though, about 4mb is a good size to aim for as a guide. We print every photo but as we can't fit them ALL on the page full size, we print a selection of our favourites slightly bigger. What are you waiting for?!





This picture couldn't be much more brown if it tried, and looks quite surreal as a result. This was our favourite of the set.



Mais oui, baguette, bof! This shot proves that mono still cuts it, the contrast both tone and movement wise is great.



This is one of those images that you place instantly in your mind. It reminds me of failing to jump over the fences in question on a number of occasions. You'd think that the associated thought of pain would be bad, but watching other people fail to do the very same thing makes it worth the while. Sand dunes, anyone?

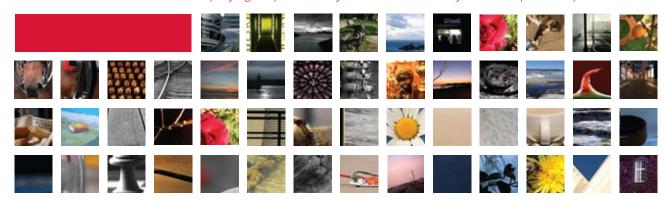


Here's a photo that's shot in a very distinctive style, which luckily for Stuart means we can tell who it's by this month (see note in red below). He also named the file with his name, which I cannot deny was a big help. If you didn't make it down to his exhibition late last year then shame on you!



This place looks amazing - more often than not, picking out just one colour can be a bit 'samey' but this one is brilliant. Talk about impact, we've got it in spades here people.

Convinced that it had been fairly quiet on the 'upload' front this month, we at Gallery Towers were shocked to find around 60 entries in the upload inbox, which, I'm sure you'll agree is quite a big number. Check 'em out, they're all here for the taking... It's also worth mentioning that I've managed to misplace all of you avid uploaders' names this month by mistake which is why there's a distinct lack of names accompanying the photos. Sorry about that. Ah, and if you've won, please drop us a line!





It's February and I think that means it's time to get out of those winter clothes, curl up by the fire, put on your Lighthouse Family CD and get sexy. Still, you can't be doing it all the time (can you?). Here are some films you might want to see to get you in the mood, if you're feeling tapped out or

THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON

DIRECTOR: DAVID FINCHER
WRITERS: ERIC ROTH & ROBIN SWICORD
STARRING: BRAD PITT, CATE BLANCHETT

It's February, Valentine's day is fast approaching and love is in the air. Probably not a great time for your girlfriend to be anywhere near Brad Pitt. What you want is a film with a nice ugly actor, someone who isn't going to put you to shame. The Friday the 13th remake is out on uhhh Friday the 13th (although I've always found serial killers sexy) so maybe you could swing that. No, she still wants to see The Curious Case of Benjamin Button. Yes she claims she is intrigued by the central conceit and is curious to see how Fincher copes in this move to a more fantastical realm of storytelling but you know the truth, she wants to see stupid sexy Brad Pitt.

So you sit yourself down in the darkened theatre. You have your popcorn ready to start throwing if things get too sexy and you need to get yourself thrown out. You look up at the screen and Brad Pitt is... old. He's a gross old wrinkly guy. Nothing sexy about that at all. You are relieved, you think you might be able to sit back and enjoy this now BUT WAIT did Brad just get a little sexier? Things move along and Brad gets younger and younger and DAMN YOU BRAD(!) we're going to have to watch Troy before we go to bed AGAIN tonight.

Based on the short story by F. Scott Fitzgerald, the movie traces the life story of a man born into old age whose body becomes physically younger as he himself ages. With his life spanning the first World War to Hurricane Katrina the film looks to ponder the effects age has on our perceptions and experiences of the world and in particular falling in love. Like a Forrest Gump in reverse the premise allows Fincher great scope to construct a film of great complexity in terms of its visual and emotional storytelling. Though early reviews from America have suggested it falls just short of a masterpiece, the ambition of the undertaking alone makes this worth a watch.

RELEASES BEST OF THE REST

VICKI CRISTINA BARCELONA

Director: Woody Allen | Writer: Woody Allen Starring: Rebecca Hall, Scarlett Johansson, Javier Bardem, Penelope Cruz

Speaking of sexy, how about Woody Allen? I don't know what it is about the guy, his glasses, his jokes, the fact that he sort of married his daughter but he is just sexy. This exudes in his latest film. Setting out to be an exploration of love, relationships and passion set against the exotic world of the Barcelona art scene it promises the balance of drama and comedy that Allen is so renowned for and that has been missing from his most recent releases (Note: that wasn't an ejaculation joke). Oh and did I mention that Penelope Cruz and Scarlett Johansson totally make out? Because they totally do. Penelope Cruz and Scarlett Johansson make out!

GRAN TORINO

DIRECTOR: CLINT EASTWOOD WRITERS: NICK SCHENK & DAVE JOHANNSON STARRING: CLINT EASTWOOD

Earlier on I suggested that old and wrinkly wasn't sexy... forgive me Clint. Yes Dirty Harry is back this time directing and starring as an equal opportunity racist who strikes up an unlikely friendship with a Hmong boy and his immigrant family whilst defending his home from a gang. Playing the sort of grizzled outsider he built his career on Clint looks to be on fine form handing out f-bomb laden tongue lashings to pretty much anyone who crosses his path. Oh and did I mention Penelope Cruz and Scarlett Johansson totally make out? Because that totally isn't this movie.

BOLT

DIRECTORS: BYRON HOWARD & CHRIS WILLIAMS WRITERS: DAN FOGELMAN & CHRIS WILLIAMS STARRING: JOHN TRAVOLTA, MILEY CYRUS, SUSIE FSSMAN

I thought about talking about how this film could have an element of sexiness to it but considering it's a Disney animated film starring an adventure-hungry dog I think we could be moving into uncomfortably creepy territory. Anyhow, the film itself is about Bolt, a TV star canine (voiced by Sir John Travolta), who after being accidentally shipped to New York City who must make his way home to his owner in California. There's nothing new here, the idea that Bolt believes he has the powers he demonstrates on his TV show is very Buzz Lightyear-esque. However, watching the trailers, this looks like it could have the effortless charm that Pixar have made their trademark over the past couple of years. Oh and did I mention a Squirrel and a Meerkat voiced by Penelope Cruz and Scarlett Johansson respectively totally make out?



love love love

The movies have played a pivotal role in our understanding of the concept of love. Invented by Humphrey Bogart on the set of Casablanca (1942) as a motivation for his Rick Blaine character it has changed and evolved through the decades. The 1970s saw the invention of sex as people awkwardly copied what they had seen at the wildly popular porno drive-ins. In the 1980s John Hughes gave the world the its first teenager in his classic love story Sixteen Candles and then proceeded to sell movie after movie to this new market. Perhaps the greatest development was seen in the 90s when Jason Biggs created the institution of marriage as a sort of sequel to being in love. Since then literally thousands of people have gotten married after seeing Jason do it in American Pie: The Wedding and Wedding Daze. But what about the double zeroes? Which films will teach us what it means to love in the twenty-first century? Here are some that might just help.

DEFINITELY MAYBE



Director: Adam Brooks Writer: Adam Brooks Starring: Ryan Reynolds, Abigail Breslin, Elizabeth Banks, Isla Fisher, Rachel Weisz

Let me try and type about Ryan Reynolds without getting a boner. Nope, not going to happen. On its release this film was packaged as a traditional rom-com right down to the pictures of hearts on the poster. It is anything

but that. Framed as a romantic who dunit (or maybe a who done who) Reynolds' character narrates a how I fell in love with your mother story to his daughter all the time inviting the audience to guess and speculate on which of three very possible candidates (played by Banks, Fisher and Weisz) is in fact her mother. The film is consistently funny and emotionally engaging as it provides a sophisticated representation of modern relationships whilst avoiding the trap of saccharine sweetness. Particular credit has to go to child actor Abigail Breslin whose

performance as Reynolds' daughter drives the whole movie forward and falls about as far outside the normal annoying child actor bracket as you can get.

LARS & THE REAL GIRL



Director: Craig Gillespie Writer: Nancy Oliver Starring: Ryan Gosling, Emily Mortimer, Paul Schneider

Talking about unconventional love stories this is about as unconventional as they come. Lars (Gosling) is an awkward and shy young man living a lonely and isolated existence in a small town. That is until Bianca comes into his life. So far so normal right? Well, Bianca is a lifelike

sex doll. Though Lars is clearly delusional this is never a source of comedy for the filmmakers. Instead they draw attention to how his fantasy relationship helps to heal his real relationship with the people and community around him. Gosling and the rest of the cast excel in their interaction with the doll (which although completely lifeless still out-acts half the cast of Hollyoaks) forcing the audience to care about her fate and amping up the emotional content of the picture. Ultimately the film ponders the opposition between fantasy love and the tangible every day of human interaction, a question extremely relevant to any consideration of the Hollywood definition of love. All these movies succeed through the strength of their characterisation. Their stories resonate with the audience because the characters are real (except maybe the sex doll) and flawed. This is something the following movie

ME & YOU & EVERYONE WE KNOW



Director: Miranda July Writer: Miranda July Starring: John Hawkes, Miranda July

Written and directed by Miranda July this is a unique and diverse inspection of people trying to connect in an increasingly disparate world. Centering on a struggling artist and a divorced shoe salesman the narrative bounces from teenage experimentation to a late life fling to

a strange but surprisingly sweet internet romance. The comedy is dark in places and the situations the characters find themselves in are maybe more troubling than the light tone of the film suggests. However, the film succeeds in illuminating some of the more mundane aspects of human life. It makes the preservation of the life of a goldfish seem heroic and triumphant and the internet chatter of a child seem somehow profound. The film is unconventional and unsettling but at its conclusion uplifting.

SWEET NOVEMBER

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Director: Pat O Connor Writer(s): Paul Yurick & Kurt Voelker Starring: Keanu Reeves, Charlize Theron

This Keanu Reeves - Charlize Theron remake attempts to pull at the heart strings but instead sticks fingers down its audience's throats. Using every sappy old trick in the book the film is both dull and included by the string of the string

into a screening on a school ski trip (The older kids got to see Hannibal) and I think maybe half the group used the screening for a nap. If you want to see Reeves and Theron on screen together then go watch The Devil's Advocate. I haven't seen it but it has to be better than this. Failing that just watch The Matrix. I know Theron isn't in it but I wouldn't worry too much.

'KIMRADESHIP'

words | Kim Willis

It seems like all I do is rant about public transport but it's only because I hate it more than celery and this is confirmed by the fact that every time I'm forced to use it something absolutely ridiculous and absurd happens, further cementing my exasperation and making me realise that maybe celery isn't so bad after all.

Of course, it had to be raining as I set out, so my shoes and socks are soaked and my jeans are drenched from the hem to the knee.

How did I end up in England? I'm a bean! And, as I always brag to my friends, Jersey's at least 2 degrees hotter, so if I was where I belong and not where I am then my jeans might be dry. Hell, I might even be wearing

On train, chai, magazine, happy. Along comes the ticket inspector to ruin my day. I hand over my ticket and he asks for my Young Person Railcard.

Then it hits me. I'm an idiot.

Er...it's at home, I stammer.

So, Matt, Duty Manager, king of the day-ruiners, proceeds to tell me I can either pay a £100 fine or get off at the next station and talk to the police. (the 'Transport Police'. They aren't real are they?)

Can't you just take my details and I'll bring it to the station tonight?

No, that's against the rules, he says smugly.

I'm not some 17 year old scaly trying to get one over on the system. Please, I beg him, I can't get off at the next stop, I just can't. But I can't pay £100 either. Tell that to the police, he says sharply, returning my ticket and stomping off.

I call my boyfriend in distress. On the island, I'd call Dad, always expecting him to have the answer to my most trivial of problems. Dad, the toaster isn't working. Dad, the lights don't work. Dad, my car won't start. Then Dad would calmly (but secretly excitedly) talk me through the mechanics of a toaster, a fuse or an

engine. We both loved it.

Now Dad's an expensive phone call away, Gareth has taken his mantle so he better bloody have an answer or he's dumped. 'Just tell him it's a genuine mistake and ask to pay the full fare instead of the fine. Then slip it through expenses.' Magic! He's a keeper.

Matt (said through gritted teeth because he's on my hit list) returns half an hour later and takes the ticket of the new man sitting next to me. He doesn't even look me in the eye and disappears.

Holy moly! I LOVE MATT! Off the hit list, onto the Christmas card list. But then we get to Birmingham and a new manager boards.

'Please have your tickets and railcards ready for inspection,' comes the female voice.

Oh God, a woman. I'll never win her over with my winning charm and bashful eyes. In she comes... lo! Her name tag reads 'Kim - Manager' She's a Kim too!

'Can I see your railcard?' she asks.

I begin to explain myself, but Kim holds up a hand of protest. She has sensed my name is also Kim and, like a true trooper, butts in.

'I'll let you off,' she smiles. Go Team Kim! She had no way of knowing my name, but us Kims, we know each other.

I know it's all going to go wrong later and I'll be charged full whack by some jobsworth called Neil (I've got no kinship with Neils) but for now I'm riding the wave of comradeship.

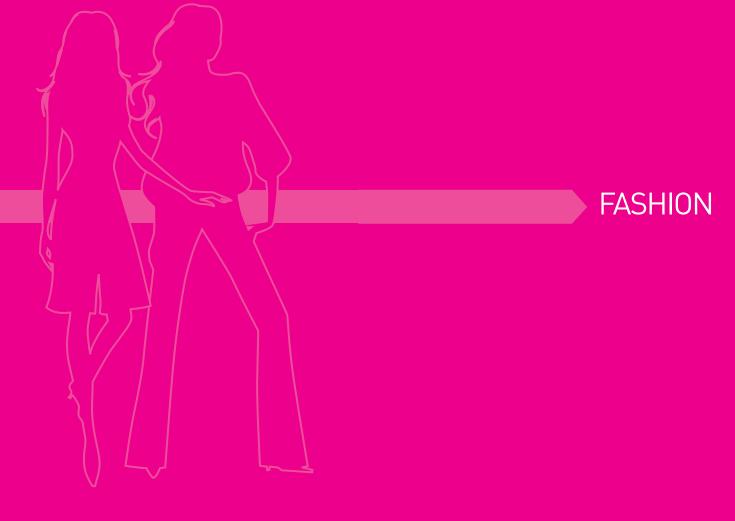
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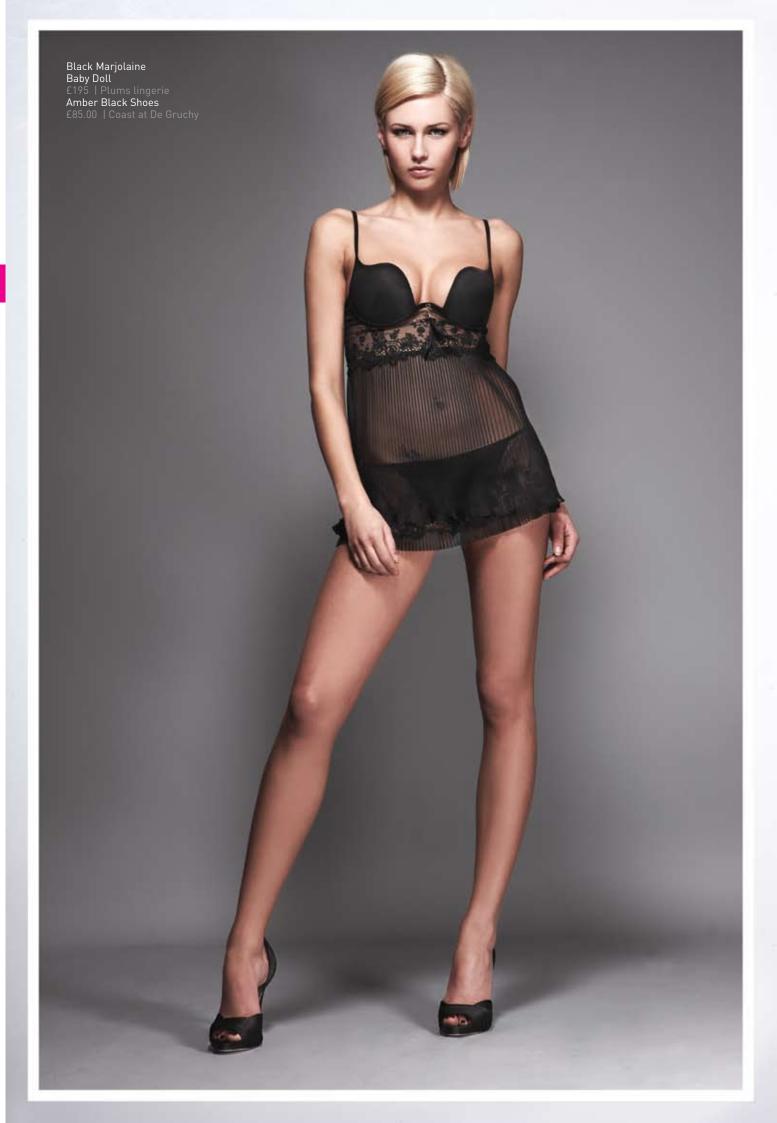




Yes, animals were probably harmed and definitely killed to help with this shoot. We didn't do it though, it was some Declandic hunter and we hear they're pretty humane so we don't feel bad at all.











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NEW YEAR, NEW BRAND NEWS



Paulx @ Axle Woman

It's about that time when you're starting to think about updating a dark and winter wardrobe. Spring is approaching and at the end of this month, Axle Woman are introducing Paulx by Paul Smith to add to their collection. His diffusion line takes on a younger, fun feel combining quirky sensibility and understated style. A mixture of bold, simple items from this collection including denims, colourful prints and Paul Smith signature tailoring will make up the collection's relaxed casual elegance. We love the pastel coloured cardigans from this brand.



Marc Cain

The new season's collection from Marc Cain has now arrived in store. Perfect for the confident, feminine women; the co-ordinating collections include various themes such as Pattern Offensive as pictured below.





Red Hot Swarovski

Complementing the launch of last year's red hot Eros earrings and necklace, Swarovski have now introduced the gorgeous Eros bangle and ring. The ring is actually two rings; one with a red Swarovski heart hanging off it and the other featuring a heart set with tiny red Swarovski crystals. Worn by themselves or together, these rings and the rest of the set are bound to set your heart fluttering! Swarovski Partner Boutique, 21 King Street Tel +44 (1534) 722904

Marc Aurel @ De Gruchy

New this season is the Marc Aurel S/S 09 collection at De Gruchy. We love the easy to wear, stylish casual and business looks. The bootcut trousers are flattering and bang on trend., whilst the other pieces make for elegance and subtle glamour which you can wear anyway you like; just use your imagination.





Monet @ De Gruchy

We love this statement necklace from Monet. The grey Pearl Drama Torsade Necklace would make an ideal present if you are struggling to find something special. £130.50 De Gruchy

B.tempted @ Voisins

Exclusive to Voisins, B.tempted is a lifestyle, fashion influenced lingerie brand from New York. There are some great basics with a fashionable twist perfect for ladies looking for something new. The B.tempted woman is young at heart, flirty and of course sexy (just like those "Sex and the City girls"). Sizes go up to a DD for those of you on the busty side. There's 10% off the new Autumn / Winter Fashion Collections at Voisins in conjunction with Gallery right now, and if you buy a set of lingerie from the B.tempted range you'll receive a free pair of polka dot hipster shorts (whilst stocks last).

All you need to do is go to www.voisins.com, print off the voucher page and redeem it in store. Only one voucher per transaction but you can print the voucher off as many times as you like! This offer applies to all Voisins own buy labels and not to concessions and is valid only on the 5th, 6th and 7th March 2009. Ask in-store for more details.





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I FASHION

If you are getting tired of the sales, our favourite shops are already starting to receive pieces from the new S/S 09 collections. If you are looking for something to brighten up or update your wardrobe, Gallery got some expert advice from the fashion professionals by posing the question -What do you love'?



RICHIE, MANAGER, SDS I love the new Nixon headphones with the volume dial on the side. I'm a massive fan of Nixon's technical products and the sound quality is amazing.



BEX, BUYER/COMPANY DIRECTOR, MARC CAIN

I love this leopard print tunic. The embellishment using metal and beads is bang on trend and the shape is extremly flattering. £109 Marc Cain



TRICIA, PROPRIETOR OF PLUMS

l love this Jonquil cream silk gown because it's just so feminine and is perfect for brides looking for something to wear on their wedding night. £176 Plums



KEV, MANAGER, AXLEMAN All I know is that I love this jacket. It's one of the best pieces of leather we have had for a while and it's the centrepiece of my S/S og colection.

£380 Axle man



JODIE, ASST. MANAGER AT M.A.C COSMETICS

I love this gorgeous Armani bag, it is so soft and sumptuous. Its unique concertina shape is so this season and as Armani is exclusive to Voisins I know that only a select number of people will have one.



LESLEY, PROPRIETOR OF MANNA

l love this pacific blue Patrizia Pepe fitted bomber because of its cut, colour and quality. £464 Manna



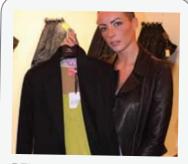
TRUDY, ASSISTANT MANAGER AT NAUTILUS

I love this yellow linen summer dress from 120% Linen. It's nice for holidays; you can wear it on the beach with a bikini or with jeans later on. It's so versatile. £159 Nautilus



ALISON, LADIESWEAR BUYER AT DE GRUCHY

I love this glistening metallic Betty Barclay top with a touch of animal print because it offers versatility to the wearer taking them from day to evening.



BEX, BUYER, AXLE WOMAN

I love this black jacket from the new Paulx collection. Soft tailoring is still a huge trend, black goes with everything and the neat waist gives it femininity. The mustard dress is just cool.

£198 jacket, £162 dress Axle Woman



CHERYL, MANAGER AT HI-HEELS & HANDBAGS

I love this patent leather Dimoni handbag because they are handmade and the quality is fantastic. £159 Hi-Heels handbags



LIZ FROM RENAISSANCE

I love this great Cavalli kaftan and wide leg jeans because I'm fed up of wearing black. This outfit looks fab and funky. £135 jeans £239 kaftan



ROULETTE CLOTHING

I love these new studded PRPS jeans because the fit is perfect; they wear like a second skin. These have been through a new 6 month process of rinsing the raw denim. £269 from Roulette

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lla's philosophy is encapsulated in their maxim: Beyond Organic. Ila's skincare range is completely free from synthetic chemicals and contains a rare level of organic purity which is achieved by sourcing the finest ingredients directly from local producers who cultivate and harvest the raw ingredients in harmony with nature.

For this reason they have just been awarded GQ Magazine's Skincare of the Year Awards 2009. Jodie Harrison Executive Style Editor for GQ Magazine said "These products made me smile. They prove that organic doesn't have to mean kooky."

lla's artisan skincare products are hand-blended in a consciously created environment in the heart of the English countryside, to ensure that the finished holistic products contain all the exquisitely pure energy from nature.

Gallery loves their Face Oil For Glowing Radiance which contains Rose Otto Oil that is sourced from the foothills of the Himalayas where there are slopes covered with exquisitely scented Indian Rosa Damascena, cultivated by Pawan and his family for generations. After harvesting the roses, they immediately distil the petals by mixing with water and heating in copper vats. This results in a distillate of essential rose otto with the richest scent and purest composition. It is this attention to detail which make this range of products great.















Has the winter weather taken its toll on *your* skin?



The skin, like all organs, is affected by the ageing process. In contrast to other organs, changes in the skin become visible over the years. Skin loses elasticity, creases, brows furrow and crow's feet form. This results in the weakening of connective tissues causing the skin to lose its tone, become flabby and wrinkles are formed.

Matisse have the Hydra SK4 machine which is the best way the experts have found to fight the 7 signs of ageing. Their 'magical' facial starts with a Sonic peel which deeply cleanses the skin and improves its ability to penetrate the active ingredients. Then galvanic current is rolled over the skin which instantly improves the hydration of the deep epidermal tissues; this process also smoothes fine lines and wrinkles. A gentle Biowave Micro-current is then used on the muscles of the face, neck and eyes for instant lift and and muscle memory reconditioning. The treatment finishes with microcirculation boosting mask and ultrasonic sound waves are used on the skin to enhance your skintone and improve cell regeneration.

This is the ideal treatment for boosting tired out dull winter skin. The treatment is usually £85, but is currently on special offer for £70. So it is a fantastic time to get your much deserved mini-facelift.

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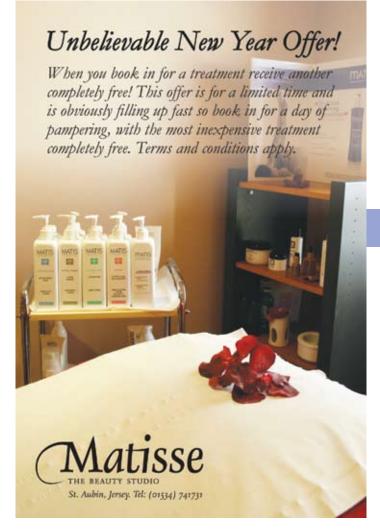
EFT Emotional Freedom Technique with Jayne Cullen. £35, 1hr, call 07829804302

EFT involves holding a memory or emotion in your mind and simultaneously tapping on specific points on the body that correspond to meridians used in Chinese Medicine. This then will create balance from within. The theory behind EFT, is based on an ancient theory of acupuncture and many tests have shown its benefits in helping people break habits and get over fears. After one session with Jayne I was delighted to find that my goals and aims were that much clearer. Advice which I had seen and heard for years but not been able to follow was much easier to accept. EFT is incredibly empowering and if you have goals or aims that you want to achieve in 2009, then EFT is the perfect place to start. As you work with Jayne to resolve internal issues and work out seemingly unsolvable problems things just seem to 'click into place' and positive thoughts are re-enforced, whilst negative problems are solved.

EFT for helping with New Year's Resolutions

We usually make resolutions to help break bad habits; and by February all of our New Year's hopes are a distant memory. It sometimes just feels impossible to tackle a problem and really get results. EFT helps get to the source of bad habits, and when you've cracked that, the whole 'changing process' is a thousand times easier. By having an EFT session you are really tackling your problems to the ground, and finally dealing with them. The results from Jayne's one on one sessions are fantastic and lasting. If you truly want to quit smoking, get fit, be less stressed, lose weight or achieve any one of your goals then book in.







VALENTINE'S DAY CHECKLIST

Here is a one stop shopping list of all the essential items you'll need to entice a man this Valentine's Day. From eye lifts to vamp nail varnish - we've got it covered.

✓ Estee Lauder Turbolash Mascara

Makes lashes larger, fuller and instantly sexier! Where do we sign up? £24.75

✓ Guerlain Success Eye Tech

As with all Guerlain products this wonder cream comes in a gorgeous packaging. Its elegant blue & gold casing will look beautiful on your dressing table. The cream lifts and relieves tired eyes. £52.00

✓ Guerlain Meteorites Illuminating Perfecting Pressed Powder

Smells good enough to eat! This is such a handy product for highlighting cheekbones, collar bones and makes a fantastic eyeshadow base. £32.50

M.A.C lipstick

Be bold, be beautiful. Stand out from the crowd this Valentine's day-with this lipstick on, it doesn't matter what comes out of your mouth, he'll be transfixed whether if you are talking about the FTSE 100 or kittens.

£9.75

Darphin Age-defying lip balm

We need to look after the delicate skin on our lips. Keep your pout full and line-free with this soothing lip balm.

£26.60

Zoya Gia Nail Varnish

The Gallery girls rate this pillarbox red nail varnish the best we have ever found.

£7.45

Barefoot Botanicals Smooch Penetrating Lip Salve (Exclusive to De Gruchy)

Nourishes and cares for your lips... which is essential in this cold weather!

★ £8.75

M&S Florentyna Perfume & Body Powder

There is nothing more luxurious then stepping out of a bubble bath and dusting yourself in a light and delicious smelling talc! Bring back Body Powder.

£9.50 approx

M.A.C Dame Edna Eyeshadow Set

Surely this is the epitome of cool? It just is SO cool. Looks brill and the colours are staple classics. Makes an excellent present for the girl who has everything.

£22.50

Darphin Stimulskin Plus Divine Lifting cream

This is the latest (and we think greatest) skin cream. It literally melts onto the skin, and it feels divine. A new firm beauty favourite. £118.20



HAIR TODAY

If 2009 is the year to make beauty changes let hair care be the one. With hair it is so easy to get into a quick and easy routine; this is probably not doing your hair any favours. Take some time in 2009 to love and care for one of your best assets!

Label.M Shine Mist £10.95

Super-fine, finishing spray designed to give a lacquer-effect finish with effective static-control. Also helps to intensify the look of colour and works especially well with straighteners for a really streamlined, smooth and healthy look.



Tigi Bed Head For Men, Shampoo £6.95 & Conditioner £7.25

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Tigi S Factor Shampoo £13.30 & Conditioner £14.30

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Galliano's debut scent

This unique fragrance expertly interweaves exquisite, sensual notes and translates seamlessly from day to evening. It's in a Boldini-spirited bottle with raspberry toned glass which darkens towards the neck of the bottle for a unique effect. The golden rose crowns the bottle with a romantic signature.

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Stella Six on choosing your Valentine's haunt

We've got a situation

Valentine's Day, a perfect chance for a romantic dinner with the object of your affection, your partner, your beloved, your chosen one, your Valentine. What could be nicer? A delightful evening awaits...or DOES it?! You book a restaurant, it looks lovely, ambient even, but if you're not very careful, you could end up, sitting in total silence, staring moodily at the corner of a room, unable to even chew, let alone enjoy your pâté-on-heart-shaped-toast, while your date chokes back tears, and glares at you, in disappointment more than anger, and thinks about her ex...the one who played guitar, in a band. Bastard. It's not that there is anything wrong with the restaurant, it's rather nice, the food is quite tasty and the staff are rather charming. So what is the problem? You didn't match your relationship status to your location, that's what! You now have what they call, a "situation".... To avoid this absolute horror, follow the simple guidelines below.

The Relationship:

The Pre-Dump

To be very frank, you're thinking about dumping them. In fact, you are going to dump them. But you're not totally heartless; you wouldn't do it before, or on Valentine's Day. I mean, what would their hot mate say, the one you're hoping to hit on as soon as the dust settles? You need somewhere nice enough that you don't look cheap, but not so expensive that they get their hopes up about the relationship.

SUGGESTED LOCATION:

THE BAR, ST HELIEROK food, Sufficiently busy
A 'let's-be-friends' atmosphere

The Relationship:

The Pepe (as in Le Pew)

You really, really like them. Ohmygod you like them so much! You cannot believe, that finally somehow they are going out with you. You want to lavish them with expensive gifts, fly them to Paris, and tell them that you luvvvve them. Don't. They will feel overwhelmed and may well think you are creepy. In fact, if you take things too far, not only might you end up sitting in an awkward Valentine's situation, you might get dumped. The note you are looking to hit is "cosy-original-chic".

SUGGESTED LOCATION:

OLD COURT HOUSE, ST AUBINUnderstated & relaxed
Warm & cosy









The Relationship: Fauxffair

Erm, bit tricky this one. Basically, you didn't really mean to end up going out with them. One night you were drunk and one thing led to another, and then it happened again, because why not, you'd already done it once. Then, you felt a bit guilty, so you took them to Cineworld, just once, to alleviate the bad feelings. Next thing you knew, you were being jointly invited to barbecues. God. The fact is, even though they're nice, they're just not that attractive, but there's nothing better around and you have no soul...

SUGGESTED LOCATION:

THE PEMBROKE, GROUVILLE

Packed with staring 'locals' Miles away from anywhere

The Relationship: Display Model

You're not sure if you like them or not. There's one thing you do know though, they are hot - smoking hot, absolutely gorgeous. And if there's one thing that you need this Valentine's Day, it's high visibility. Frankly your mates can't quite believe you managed this one and despite your bravado, nor can you. You cannot wait to see everyone's faces when you walk into the, hopefully very busy, restaurant with them! Ha, take that ex!

SUGGESTED LOCATION:

CAFÉ ZEPHYR, THE ROYAL YACHT

Open plan: Nice big windows for everyone to stare at you Plenty of bars to casually "circulate" through afterwards

Really want to impress?

Enjoy the most romantic day of the year in the beautiful Cardington House, surrounded by the most magical views on the island. Valentine's Day at Cardington is a special treat for you and your loved one as you will be waited on hand and foot while living in extreme luxury! The special Valentine's rates start from £250 which includes a three-course dinner and breakfast the next morning at your leisure, allowing you a lie in! We wouldn't blame you for not wanting to leave ... and if that is the case, Cardington House are offering any additional nights at the heavily discounted price of £110. Only residents are able to use the restaurant facilities so make a night out of it and book into one of the five fabulous rooms!

Also, the Grand Jersey let us know about a similar Valentine's offer. Choose from either a candlelit dinner in Victoria's with a glass of champagne upon arrival, a gorgeous superior bedroom complete with handmade mattress, Elemis beauty products and unlimited access to the impressive spa and leisure facilities topped off with a full breakfast buffet for £95 per person... or go the whole hog and have a seductive 3-course fine dining experience in Tassili plus the superior bedroom and unlimited access to the spa and leisure facilities for £125 per person.

Souper-Woman

I am on the case to make soup the latest fashion accessory to hit the gloom of the high street! What is there not to love about something warming, tasty, nutritious and easy on the ever diminishing bank balance?

We are all struggling after the attempts to accomplish the obligatory January detox – and to be honest I am fed up with the repetitive circle of soups that are on offer in the winter months, they are a good substitute but I am after something slightly more fulfilling. I've got the answer...get in the kitchen and have a go at some weekend DIY soup making for something new and different to add to the daily routine.

Grab the unused carrots hiding at the back of the fridge, dust off that bag of lentils that you bought with the best intentions last winter, and in minutes you could be grinning with pride as you look down at a steaming pot of yumminess! How often do you throw away wrinkled old vegetables and consider then uninspiring? With a few simple plain ingredients, you can create a wonderful tasty, healthy pot of soup! Stick it in your freezer and you have an endless supply of lunches and quick fix dinners! Plus, without realising it, you will be well on your way to five a day. Here's an example of how easy it is.... the rain was pouring down on one particular Sunday and there was no incentive to venture out.

As usual I opened the fridge for some inspiration to alleviate the usual Sunday gloom. Within an hour I had four pots bubbling away and all created with what seemed to be uninteresting ingredients but with a bit of chopping, stirring and added spice, I had four very different soups: spicy carrot and red lentil, broccoli and parsley, spicy Indian lentil and aubergine and a tasty Moroccan winter vegetable soup. The total cost of the ingredients was around £10 and made just over a dozen potions, so working out the maths.... that's roughly 76p per serving. Forget the "credit crunch", it's more like "Souper savings"!

So leave out the stale old sandwiches, stop trying to make the most of unseasonal produce and take pride in taking your own soup to work and getting the best out of fresh produce! Let's start Jersey's own mission to get everyone doing DIY soup. Your work colleagues will be drooling as you remove your delicious homemade concoctions out of the microwave while they battle against the winter elements in search of their luke-warm, quick and easy takeaway versions.

It's a good time of year to do it — with parsnips, squashes, sweet potatoes and a whole host of other delicious winter vegetables in season, there is so much choice! Get on the internet and search foodie websites for some inspiration if you are struggling. Not only is it nutritious, it will keep you warm, save you money and it's filling! There is no excuse, so make some room in the freezer, stock up on tupperware and become a DIY "souper person"!

Moroccan roasted winter vegetable soup

You will need

- 1 Carrot, diced
- 1 Parsnip, diced
- 1 sweet potato, diced
- 1 onion, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- ½ a red chilli chopped
- (or ¼ of a medium chilli)
- 2 tbsp honey
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1tbsp ground cumin (or to taste)
- 1 tbsp ground coriander (or to taste)
- Vegetable stock to cover
- Salt and pepper

Method

Pre heat the oven to 18oC –Place all the diced veg, on a baking tray and scatter over the garlic and chilli and sprinkle over the ground cumin, ground coriander, olive oil and honey. Make sure all the vegetables are covered by mixing with your hands.

Roast for 40 minutes, or until all the veg is tender. Make sure the veg doesn't burn.

Remove from the oven and put in a blender. Cover with stock (approx 600ml) and blend. If it is too thick, simply add some more hot water.

Season to taste and if eating immediately, place in a pan and heat up. Serve simply with some crusty bread and some fresh coriander. Otherwise store in some Tupperware boxes and freeze the portions. Enjoy!





Pop Cakes

Looking for tiny ways to say I love you? Mini cup cakes are taking London by storm. The ideal yummy gift for Valentine's, birthdays, parties and sweet treats. Local yummy mummy, Poppy Macari, whips them up by the dozen, using Jersey butter and free range eggs. They come in a range of combinations

from grown up cupcakes, flavoured with Baileys or Cointreau, to those for kids of all ages. Who doesn't love picking off Smarties and licking off icing? The mini cupcakes come prettily wrapped and boxed, making them a perfect gift.

Valentine's cakes will be on sale at Classic Herd Farm shop on 13th and 14th February and for all other orders, call Poppy on 07797 753550.

Great British Menu

Jersey's own Michelin-starred chef, Shaun Rankin, is battling it out in the BBC series which sees UK's top chefs competing for the opportunity to cook a fantastic four-course dinner that epitomises the very best of contemporary, cutting edge British cooking.

Shaun has been selected, along with Nathan Outlaw, from Fowey in Cormwall, to represent the best of the south west. The cook off will be judged by cook and caterer, Prue Leith, restaurateur Oliver Peyton and food writer Matthew Fort. Shaun, who has just kept his Michelin star for the 4th successive year, has been described by the editor of the 2009 Good Food Guide as a "hugely accomplished talent, cooking at the top of his game". Of Nathan Outlaw she said he is producing "incredible food". Hot stuff.

Whoever wins one of the seven regional heats will go through to the final. The ultimate challenge will be to cook for Heston Blumenthal, along with top chefs, gourmets and celebrities who represent a cross-section of modern Britain. The BBC have been filming in the Island







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Eight years ago Peter and Jo fell in love with a little, run down, semi-detached cottage named Livonia Lodge, nestled amongst the countryside in St Saviour. They both agreed, 'It felt right, with plenty of scope for improvement', a prerequisite for them. In the present day, they have extended the property in a way that is not only modern but also sympathetic to the surrounding land and complementary to the existing cottage.

company and Jo, a part time Trust Administrator bought Livonia Lodge, it had vinyl flooring and lurid 1970's carpets but the property had a lovely feel to it. "It was the kind of home that we could see ourselves living in well into the future, subject to modernisation," said Peter. Indeed, it has become a fantastic family home for the couple, their two young sons, Charlie and Robbie, and dog, Ziggy. The original cottage dates back to the 18th Century and an 1849 survey map

(hanging in the now dining room) shows that the Cottage has always been isolated. In fact, not much has changed over time other than a previous extension to the property in the 1970's, which now forms the middle section of the house, and the current extension completed in 2007, which now forms the front of the house.

At the back of the property, the oldest part, you will find the lounge on the ground floor and the boys' bedroom



directly above. The old beams are still visible in these rooms and only some cosmetic work and updating was needed to make the space feel bright and fresh.

The flat roof extension from the 1970s has been removed and a conservatory (breakfast area with access to the garden) was completed about six years ago. The sizeable kitchen was a kitchen when the couple first arrived and the old front door is now the back door to the utility room. 'We tried to open up the flow of the house by having the utility room by the kitchen and lounge/play room.' The upstairs hallway used to be a bathroom and the previous staircase was located where there are now fitted cupboards opposite the house bathroom.

'The house was higgledy-piggledy and we wanted to extend and improve it as a whole so that it was contemporary and suitable for a growing family', so three years ago they began the process of planning and designing an extension. The

couple were inspired by the local work of a German architect who they employed to design their extension based upon a 'Huf Haus' concept (a prefabricated house in unique wood-glass construction using timber framing). 'I have a thing about light and warmth and we wanted something that would bring in all the light and the stunning rural views, and the architect said it was possible', said Jo. The couple were project managers and 'the Planning Department accepted the plans with the glass gable and made positive comments about the design'.

'It was emotional when we started knocking parts of the house down'. All the materials for the extension came from Germany, the frame, timber and glass. Everything was measured and cut at the factory and each piece was numbered accordingly. German builders worked for three weeks assembling the extension. 'They kept to a schedule and would work in the rain or the snow'. Local contractors then finished the remaining

work such as the roof tiling, electrics and plumbing, plastering and oak floors. On the ground floor the sitting room leads to the kitchen and dining room and there is access to the decking area at the side of the house. Vertical and panoramic views of the countryside can be seen as you meander up the beautiful ash and cherry wood staircase to the first floor. Both the master and spare room share the view of the lush fields but the master room has the added extra of glass doors opening out onto a balcony. 'You can see the most amazing sunsets.'

'I asked them to leave the wood exposed,' said Peter, the whole house has a very cosy feel. Despite the property doubling in size, the timber frame and solid wood flooring combined with layers of insulation has halved the heating bill.

"When Peter, a Director of a local trust company and Jo, a part time Trust Administrator bought Livonia Lodge, it had vinyl flooring and lurid 1970's carpets but the property had a lovely feel to it. "It was the kind of home that we could see ourselves living in well into the future, subject to modernisation"

During the summer, you can laze in the hammock and eat al-fresco whilst the children play in the quaint treehouse and neat garden. The adjoining fields are all organic land and are home to the heifers when calving. A timber garage sits on the gravel drive. Jo and Peter's creation is 'low maintenance, practical and comfortable'. 'It's not a show home, just our home'.

Jo's father is downsizing and has given the couple first refusal on his house in St Ouen (Jo's family home). It is for this reason that Livonia Lodge finds itself on the market. The new house needs updating and Peter explains that he has a feeling of 'trepidation but excitement' at this prospect.

When asked what they would miss most about their home, Jo and Peter answered, 'the location, light and sunsets, the warmth and ease of it'.







With all those flowers you will no doubt be receiving from hopeful admirers this Valentine's day, be prepared with a good collection of stunning statement vases. Or if you are happily settled with a fantastic man (or just a man) make sure you actually take your digital camera in and get a lovely snap of the two of you developed to put in one of Sia's beautiful photo frames.



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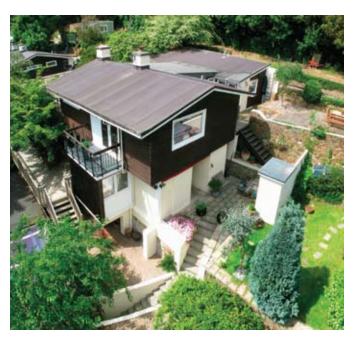


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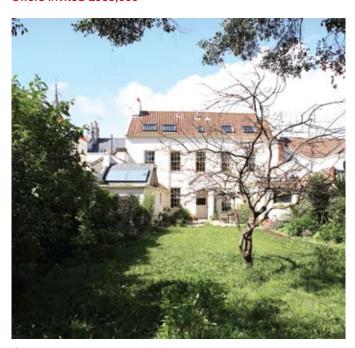
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Boundary Disputes:

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As the saying goes, 'every man's home is his castle,' so the implications of living in the confines of a small island such as Jersey, means space is very important, so boundary disputes between neighbours can be hotly contested.

As a relative newcomer to the world of conveyancing (conveyancers deal with all the legal matters, paperwork and queries involved in a property transaction), I am amazed at the volume of boundary disputes that arise on a regular basis. There are a variety of reasons that can lead a property owner to fall out with a neighbour causing him or her to seek legal advice when all else fails, with the most common being parking, electricity supply, rights of way and planning applications.

The history of land or a property is contained in title deeds but no matter how old or detailed these are, when property changes hands there is still the potential for a dispute. This is why a conveyancer, with all his or her training and experience is involved in property transactions, especially when it comes to resolving issues over boundaries – even in the age of digital mapping. Digital technology only identifies a property's location and does not constitute a legal definition of the boundaries or contractual rights.

In the UK surveyors can also undertake conveyancing when it comes to boundary disputes but in Jersey it is conveyancers who undertake the brunt of disputes. However, when they are not able to broker a resolution then litigators are brought in. This is unfortunate as boundary disputes can be costly and bitter in situations when neighbours are unable to reach an amicable resolution.

When anyone has to change property deeds or alter or confirm a boundary, they are required to pass a contract before the Royal Court and neighbours may be required to be party to or to confirm their agreement to the changes.

That is why it is important to check your legal rights and discuss your plans with neighbours if you want to avoid falling out or finding yourself in an unnecessary and stressful dispute. There may be more to a situation then at first meets the eye and remember fact is readily perplexed with belief, clauses are written in perpetuity and the answer to your quarrels can almost certainly be found be in your contract.

If you would like advice about buying or selling a property, please call the Crill Canavan property team on 601727.



A POSITIVE START TO 2009 FOR SAVILLS JERSEY

As it launches into its first full year of trading, Gary Bryant, Head of Savills Jersey Limited, reflects on the market conditions of 2008 and what we can expect in 2009.

Mr Bryant commented: "Our market conditions in Jersey at the end of last year, appeared to be somewhat less severe than the falls in mainland property values reported by our colleagues."

"That said, Jersey is not entirely immune to the adverse global market conditions which are currently being experienced and, despite our strong economy and lack of debt, by the end of last year, we had seen a fall of 33% on the average number of property transactions taking place since 2002. Without doubt, the principal reasons for not moving were a lack of confidence and affordability."

"However, in the first week of trading in 2009, we are busy. It seems that those purchasers who have previously been reluctant to commit, are beginning to make positive steps to finding their new home."

"Whilst we do not anticipate any price rises in 2009, we do expect an increase in the actual number of transactions taking place."

"This market has created a lot of opportunity for purchasers - we currently have a number of instructions ranging in price from £500,000 to £8m and our applicant list is growing. We are receiving daily enquiries from local people and regular interest, due to our extensive UK network, from those wanting to move to Jersey either as an essential worker or the more affluent 1(1)K."

"Irrespective of the current economic climate, the Savills Jersey team is committed to offering our clients the best and most realistic advice drawn from their knowledge and experience of the property market."



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A series of four Business Management Seminars have been announced by the GTA University Centre. Due to be held in February and March, the lunch-time seminars will be delivered by our very own Beverley Le Cuirot, Fellow and Immediate Past Chairman of the Jersey Branch of the Chartered Institute of Marketing. The four Business Management Seminars will focus on:

The Importance of Customer Insight; discussing the customer's role in ensuring an organisation is successful.

Recession Proofing Your Business Through Marketing; advice on how to market your way through an economic downturn.

Engaged Leadership; guidance on how to engage an entire organisation and stay ahead of the game.

Investing for Success; exploring the misconceptions of marketing and considering its true potential within an organisation

The Seminars will be held from 12noon to 2pm on Thursday, 12th February; Thursday, 26th February; Thursday, 12th March and Thursday, 19th March at the GTA University Centre, St Peter Port House, in Guernsey.

The cost of attendance is £55 per Seminar or £200 for four Seminars, including a light buffet lunch. A CPD certificate of 2 hours will be provided for each Seminar.

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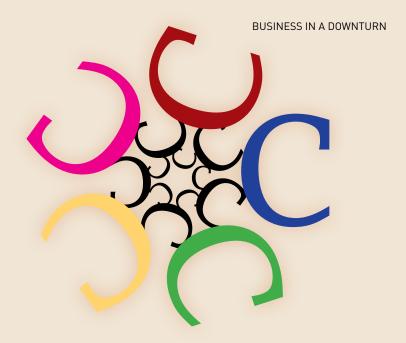


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With its superior cream leather seats, generous legroom, twin screen DVD player, and luxurious interior it would also be perfect for transporting visiting VIPs and corporate groups from the airport and around the island. With discreet tinted glass, it's also the ideal way for passengers to enjoy the view yet maintain their privacy. Signature Executive Transport is a new venture set up by Alan Blanchet who has ten years previous experience with a UK based coach and tour operator. Alan said, "Jersey is the ideal location for this type of service and vehicle. Many important groups visit every year and until now there hasn't been a high quality bespoke service available without the use of two or more limousines.."

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Five watchwords in a downturn

The Institute of Directors has suggested five watchwords for businesses facing an economic downturn.

"We have a strong, well managed economy, but regrettably, Jersey cannot hope to escape some effect from the current global financial crisis," said Gary Drinkwater, Chairman of the IoD Jersey Branch.

The IOD do expect a slowdown in the financial services sector and that will affect those both within and reliant upon the industry. Jersey has sold itself for a number of years as a quality destination for business. In the months to come the IOD feel that we will also have to show that we can compete keenly on price in order to win new business. Mr Drinkwater suggested that some more businesses in Jersey may become insolvent before economic conditions improve. He said: "We've already seen a couple of Jersey businesses cease trading. I know some others are worried about the future, particularly in the retail sector. For that reason we are advising directors to review their companies to ensure that they are prepared for difficult trading conditions."

The IoD's advice for companies is:

11Costs

Businesses should review their cost base. Operating expenditure can be controlled, revenue cannot.

2)Cash

Smart companies will hold onto cash to assist them should they see a downturn in trading.

3)Credit control

It may be wise to reduce payment terms to assist with cashflow and devote more resources to ensuring that invoices are paid on time.

4)Customers

Diversification is a smart move in a downturn. Companies reliant on one customer for more than 20-25% of revenue are overexposed to risk.

In a downturn it is more important than ever to perform a monthly review of your company's performance against budget. Frequent reviews of your own performance against budget mean that you can take early action if the company is not performing as expected.

THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT IT IS GOING TO BE AN INTERESTING YEAR FOR BUSINESS AND THE COMPANIES THAT ACT SMART RATHER THAN THOSE THAT MAKE DRASTIC CUTS WILL BE THE ONES THAT BENEFIT.

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The Liberation Group Expands

A leading Channel Island hospitality group has announced its first expansion since its formation earlier this year.

The Liberation Group has agreed a deal to acquire the business and freehold of the Red Onion, in St Peter Port, Guernsey, from the Christie Group. Mr Mark Crowther, CEO of the Liberation Group, welcomed the news: 'We're absolutely delighted with this deal, which is further proof of our original pledge to invest with the primary aim of growing the business in the mid to long-term.' He added: 'We want to create something that Channel Islanders can be proud of.' Mr Crowther said that it would be business as usual and that the new employees can expect a warm welcome: 'We're not planning to change anything. In fact we're particularly looking forward to welcoming the new team into The Liberation Group family.' The Liberation Group was created this year from the management buy-out of a portfolio that included The Jersey Brewery, Bucktrouts and 65 pubs and bars across the Channel Islands. The Red Onion is the Liberation Group's 22nd establishment in Guernsey and its first acquisition in the Channel Islands since the initial deal. In addtion to The Jersey Brewery they also own The Tipsy Toad Brewery which means they're the ones responsible for; Guernsey Special, Guernsey Best, Sunbeam, Pony Ale, Jersey Best, Jersey Special, Special In Cask Jimmy's Bitter and Victor Hugo Ltd.



Collins Stewart Absolute Return Plus Fund celebrates positive returns for 2008

Jersey, Guernsey, London, Isle of Man – [1 December 2008]: Collins Stewart's fund of hedge funds, the Absolute Return Plus fund, is enjoying a positive return for 2008, one of the few in the industry to do so, as it celebrates its sixth anniversary since launch. At a lunch time seminar last month the fund's manager will explain how the multi-strategy fund of hedge funds has focused on capital preservation during one of the most difficult periods in financial markets for many years. Investors in the fund include private clients and financial institutions, such as trust managers.

Performance in 2008, for the Sterling Fund, to the end of October is -0.39% compared to the industry standard fund of hedge funds index, the HFRX Index, which is -19.44% year-to-date, and the FTSE Index, which is -32% year-to-date. The fund has annualised 8.84% per annum since November 2002. Martin Baxter, Lead Manager of the Collins Stewart Absolute Return Plus Fund, said:

"The fund is ideal for Investors seeking access to conservative portfolios with strong risk-adjusted performance. As Manager for the past five years we have seen our multi-strategy approach provide a true hedge against extreme market turbulence with the delivery of incremental returns. Our long standing expertise in hedge fund selection has helped us protect our investor's from the steep market falls we have seen this year"



IT services firm expands into Geneva

It's great to see Jersey busineses bucking the trend in 2009. Rather than cutting back, Channel Island IT firm iConsult is to expand its hosted services into Geneva. Go get em' guys.

The company's flagship product, iConnect, will give CI businesses with branches in the Swiss city the opportunity to roll out hassle-free professional and flexible services without the need for capital expense. The company intend to offer the same per-user per-month charging model as is currently offered locally.

For regulatory reasons, companies based in Geneva are required to store their data within that jurisdiction which presents a challenge for Jersey and Guernsey companies wishing to operate there.

Previously, it was necessary to develop and maintain a new, separate relationship with a Swiss IT services provider but from the beginning of 2009, iConsult will be basing 'iConnect' in a Swiss data centre. All of a customer's data remains in Geneva AND even though they are now operating in multiple jurisdictions they still just have one IT provider (based in the CI) which makes it much easier to manage the relationship.

"iConsult has come a long way, with offices in Jersey, Guernsey and now this expansion into Geneva – it is a tremendously exciting time for us", says Business Development Director, Tony Moffa. "Geneva is an important part of our business plan and many of our clients are set to open branch offices there. We aim to provide them with an easy and low-cost option for managing their IT strategy".

There are no significant set up costs for 'iConnect' - you pay a monthly rental fee for what is effectively an "Office-in-a-Box". So... if you've got business in Geneva.....



New Revolution In Digital Imaging

When considering how long printing has been around, it is interesting to observe that in a very short space of time, digital printing has made a positive and exciting impact on today's print business. The latest machines are fast, produce high quality and are able to print on a vast array of stocks including an assortment of heavy card materials.

Not all digitial print machines can achieve such objectives, some are built for speed, some colour, some black and white and some are simply for business cards. The Canon Image Press C1, recently installed at Alphaprint and supplied and supported by PBS, is the only press of its kind in the Channel Islands and is designed to demonstrate the excellent quality that is now available - it has no difficulty in promoting an 'undeniable' difference - it will not entertain the concept of 'good' printing - 'outstanding' is its only performance!

Innovative new technology allows this digital colour press to deliver outstanding output for a diverse range of printing and proofing applications. In addition, the C1 allows the customer the luxury of being provided with the exact number of prints required as opposed to printing an excessive number of copies to enjoy the best economic effect. Digital today equates to a high quality product – not a stop gap of time past when it would suffice until the 'real' print job was complete, it has been revolutionised – and the inspirational way forward for companies who require a high quality Print Service on demand.

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Lord Coe announced as Jersey Enterprise Awards keynote speaker

Jersey Enterprise is pleased to announce that Lord Sebastian Coe will be the keynote speaker at the Jersey Enterprise Awards gala dinner on February 26th at Fort Regent.

Lord Coe headed the British bid which successfully won the bid for London to host the 2012 Olympic Games. Following this victory Lord Coe now chairs the London Organising Committee for the 2012 games. One of the greatest British athletes of all time, Lord Coe set 12 world records at four distances. Among his medals tally are a total of two golds and two silvers from Olympic Games in 1980 and 1984.

After retiring from competitive athletics Lord Coe entered politics as Member of Parliament for Falmouth and Cambourne in Cornwall. He served as a Parliamentary Private Secretary to Michael Heseltine and as a Government Whip, then as Private Secretary to William Hague. Lord Coe's visit to Jersey is being sponsored by Bank of Scotland International Private Banking. Managing Director James Gairdner said: "We are really pleased to be supporting the event by sponsoring the keynote speaker. Lord Coe has a wealth of sport, business and political experiences as well as being an inspiring speaker."

The Jersey Enterprise Awards, now in its seventh year recognises individuals for their contribution to the community and businesses for their performance during 2008. Their achievement and successes will be celebrated at the gala dinner in front of over 800 guests.

The gala dinner is scheduled for February 26th at Fort Regent, and tickets are on sale and selling very fast. To secure your place at this prestigious event, please contact Christine Holmes at Profile Project Management by emailing cholmes@profilepm.com

Financial help in the New Year

Barclays Wealth in the Channel Islands will be giving customers a helping hand with their finances in the New Year by offering free financial reviews.

The free reviews will see the bank contribute hours of their top specialists' time in the New Year to help customers start 2009 with a more positive outlook on their finances. The bank recognises that in the current climate some clients are concerned about what direction to take with their finances in the New Year. The Barclays Wealth specialists will give them guidance as to how to get the best out of their money and investments in 2009. The review will be open to all customers of Barclays Wealth International. 'We are working harder than ever to be proactive to support our clients in the current economic climate. We see this as a great opportunity for clients to review their finances and find out the ways in which we may be able to help them make money, save money or make their relationship with us even better,' said Greg Ellison, Director and Head of Local Markets, Barclays Wealth.

'The free financial reviews will look at all areas of a customer's finances and will be individual to each client. We believe that we can really make a difference by highlighting areas that need addressing and can be improved. Our Personal Bankers and Relationship Managers will be leading the sessions and will call on the expertise of our qualified mortgage advisers and investment advisers when required.'

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APPOINTMENT HAT TRICK

The BakerPlatt Group is continuing to bolster its litigation, financial regulation and business crime practice areas by making a trio of senior appointments. Joanna Woods (above), William Redgrave and Nicholas Hills have all been appointed Senior Associates at the law firm. Joanna Woods joins from Seven Bedford Row Chambers, London, where she was a civil and a criminal litigation practitioner. With extensive experience in offshore work, particularly in ancillary relief work, Joanna also undertakes commercial litigation and trust disputes and has been instructed in high-value cases involving assets held offshore.



MANON RETURNS TO POTTERY

Jersey Pottery is delighted to introduce Manon Fradin as its new Design Director. Manon has a degree in fine arts from the Ecole Boulle (Ecole Supérieure d'Arts Appliqués) in Paris as well as a Baccalaureate in Fine Arts. In addition to her academic qualifications Manon has extensive marketing experience having been the Brand Manager for Bank of Scotland International Private Banking and most recently, Sales and Marketing Executive at La Mare Wine Estate. Manon was first employed by Jersey Pottery in September 2003 as Marketing Co-ordinator, in charge of establishing the company's corporate image and visual identity.



NEW CHIEF EXEC FOR SURE

Graham Hughes has been appointed to the position of Chief Executive for Sure, the trading name for Cable & Wireless in Jersey. Mr Hughes will now lead the team in Jersey in the development of the business both locally and internationally. Born in Jersey, Mr Hughes trained as an aircraft engineer at the Royal Navy School of Aeronautical Engineering. He served in the Royal Navy for six years, serving in the UK and Hong Kong. On his return to Jersey Mr Hughes then worked at Reuters for 16 years holding a variety of roles in engineering, sales and operations. He left the company in the position of business manager Channel Islands and Isle of Man.



CI PR COMPANY EXPANDS TEAM

Two well known former journalists have joined the team at Direct Input. Paula Thelwell and Victoria Harper will be providing PR services to a wide range of clients across Jersey and Guernsey. Paula is active in the Island community and served on the committees of a number of charities, she is currently chairman of the Holocaust Memorial Day Committee and deputy chairman of the Jersey Arts Centre. Victoria has over 16 years of experience in broadcasting and PR working as Jersey's first Police Press Officer. She has been a television reporter, producer, news editor and news anchor in South America, Australia and Russia.



EMMA GOES TO CARDINGTON

Emma Snow has been appointed as Public Relations Officer for the new luxurious five - bedroom boutique hotel Cardington House. Having been brought up in South West London, Emma decided to make Jersey her home in July 2007 after falling in love on her first visit. The travel and tourism industry is no stranger to Emma, having spent the last year as Marketing Manager for The Royal Yacht Hotel in St Helier and previously overseeing the Public Relations campaigns for tourist boards such as Texas, Seattle, Palm Springs and Washington State.



CARLA GAINS DIPLOMA

The National Association of Goldsmiths (N.A.G) has announced that Carla Nunes of Rivoli Jewellers has gained the Association's internationally acclaimed Professional Jewellers Diploma. Carla (22) gained her professional diploma after completing the N.A.G's JET 1 and JET 2 home study courses, workshops and final exam. Now, after studying for 18 months Carla is recognised by the National Association of Goldsmiths as a professional jeweller and may use the letters PJ Dip. behind her name.



GARRY BELL APPOINTED AT PWC

PricewaterhouseCoopers has strengthened its Channel Islands tax practice by appointing Garry Bell as Director. Based in the Jersey office, Garry takes on responsibility for providing tax services to a range of corporate clients and private individuals across both Jersey and Guernsey. He will also play an active role in future Jersey government consultations, helping to shape the Island's tax framework and strengthening its global reputation and competitiveness.

ALEX PHILLIPS AT THE HELM FOR CYBEL TRAINING



The role of skipper in the BT Global Challenge race has been likened to one of the toughest management jobs in the world. As skipper of Quadstone in the 2000-2001 event, and the only female skipper ever to win a leg of this race, Alex Phillips experienced the best and worst days of her life. Leading a group of amateur sailors from all walks of life to become a winning team is no mean feat. As part of the official launch of Cybele Offshore working in partnership with Optimus Recruitment, Alex Phillips from Cybele Offshore was in Jersey so we went along to meet her to find out what Cybele Offshore is all about.

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Top Personnel Achieves Audited Status

Top Personnel recruitment agency has undergone and successfully completed an inspection by the Recruitment and Employment Confederation (REC). Fola Tayo, the REC's Head of Professional Standards said: "The REC introduced its spotcheck inspection in order to ensure that the REC members work to the highest of standards and have their working practices checked across a range of areas included with the REC's Code of Professional Practice and industry regulations." Top Personnel underwent an independent assessment in 10 prescribed areas of its recruitment practice.

The audit scheme – reviewed by the REC, representative body for the UK's £27bn recruitment industry, requires a high level of compliance in order to pass the inspection. Rachael Douglas, a Manager of Top Personnel says: "We are thrilled to have been the first agency in Jersey to attain audited status and welcome the REC's confirmation that our business operates to best practice in recruitment."

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new kid on the block

Back in 1996, a fair few people probably thought that the Ford Motor Company had been feeding their design department mind-altering substances, such was the radical look of their newest city car, cleverly although slightly confusingly named the 'Ka'.

Twelve years on Ford have launched an all new version of their best-selling 'Marmite car' – love it or hate it, it's sure to be a hit with the young and the not-quite-so-young alike for its slightly off the wall bulbous looks and great value. Over 1.4 million owners of the original Ka can't be far wrong!

Now I must admit at this point that I'm not exactly a stereotypical prospective Ka owner and like to be objective and honest when it comes to writing the motor reviews, but as much as I'm not going to swipe the keyboard from in front of me and rush out this minute (most probably using a window, possibly even a closed one, for dramatic effect) to buy one for myself this little car couldn't help but surprise me. In a good way though, of course.

You can't help but notice the new Ka even amid a myriad of 'funky' small cars, a common sight these days what with every manufacturer trying their hardest to be edgier than ever, and they've definitely managed to keep the quirkiness of the original one going strong that's for sure. The thing is, the original Ka looked like it was wedge shaped, but managed to be curvy at the same time and Ford's crafty people slaving behind their sizeable computer screens have managed to keep this going, not that you'd notice at first mind you. Just look at it! You think it's all curves, but it's got those chunky, slab sided wheel arches and angular creases in the bonnet too.

The driving position feels nice and high, yet they've managed to make the roof high enough for even a tall person to be comfortable in the front and the quiet little 1.2 litre engine is surprisingly nippy when you get it going. You know, so that if you get one for your girlfriend/wife/dependant child then you'll have no qualms about borrowing

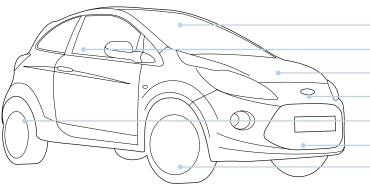
it. On the other hand, if you are one of the aforementioned girlfriends, wives or dependant children then you might want to keep the key somewhere safe to ensure that it's around when you need to get somewhere.

Other notable clever bits include the quick clear heated windscreen - a standard feature, and quite frankly one that should be on every car ever made, ever. Good on you, Ford. Air conditioning also comes as standard, as do electronically adjustable door mirrors which are also heated, so no waiting around in the morning when you've got far better things to be doing. And once you've set off you'll be able to appreciate the clever 'EPAS' system (that's Electric Power Assisted Steering to you and I) that means your steering will always be exceptionally light when you're manoeuvring your way into even the smallest of parking spaces yet positive and progressive at speed. Another pat on the back for the manufacturer at this point, please.

On a little car with so many extra bits packed in you'd be silly not to expect a CD player, complete with Ford's very politically correct sounding 'music connection socket' (so you can plug your iPod in of course), along with remote central locking, alloy wheels, ABS brakes and a trip computer, including an options list sporting Bluetooth connectivity, heated leather seats, traction control and side airbags for starters. It's no wonder the new Ka also carries a 4-star NCAP crash rating.

For no other reason, and as strange as it may sound, I urge you to take a look at the dials if you're passing the Ford garage — lit up they're not only beautiful but compliment the car perfectly. Right, I'd better stop writing before I end up admitting I've developed a bit of a soft spot for this one.





1.2i 8V engine with 69PS Air Conditioning 15" alloy wheels CO₂ emissions - 119g/km Consumption - 55.4mpg

Heated windscreen

Remote central locking

New Ford Ka Zetec 3dr

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If somebody had told me a few years ago that one of the world's largest car manufacturers was thinking of building a mid-engined DIESEL roadster that changes gear in a matter of milliseconds, well, I'd have probably suggested they walk down to St Saviours' Hospital and consider admitting themselves. But Volkswagen have only gone and done it now, haven't they.

Judging by their recent success at Le Mans with the Audi R10 TDi can you blame them though? Diesel engines are getting cleaner and despite the lower available rev-range they can deliver a staggering amount of torque much lower down than their petrol equivalents - couple that to a DSG gearbox (two clutches for near instant gearchanges) and 45:55 weight distribution and you're cooking with gas. Well, diesel, but let's not split hairs.

But you can't be environmentally aware AND have fun these days, can you? You can if you throw in stop-start and braking energy regeneration systems and build

your mid-engined, rear wheel drive roadster out of lightweight materials, and that's just what the boffins at VW have done.

The BlueSport Roadster has been dubbed (no pun intended) a 'design study' but we've heard that it's been based almost entirely on existing components from across the VW range so if their Audi and SEAT brands can fit it into their ranges there's a 70% chance of it seeing production.

So stick that in your pipe and smoke it.



Volkswagen BlueSport Roadster

Layout Economy Mid-engined, 65mpg rear wheel drive (combined) Weight Emissions 113kg/km CO2 1200kg 0-60mph Power 6.2 seconds 180PS @ 4,200rpm Flat out Torque 140mph 350NM @ 1,750rpm

motor brand news



Fiat 500 Abarth

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Subaru Justy

Packed full of convenient extras such as air conditioning, speed sensitive power steering, rear parking sensors and wide opening rear doors and electric windows all round, the Subaru Justy is a great little car. Combined fuel economy is an excellent 56.5mpg from the nippy 1 litre engine. Pop into Maugers Garage at Sion to find out more.



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Porsche Cayenne Diesel

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Choosing a gift for your lady is always tricky but if she is tech savvy then take a look at Swarovski's Active Crystals range. The range features sparkling headphones, USB memory keys and even Bluetooth headsets. Lilac coloured Dreamy Tina is the next in the range of little robot USB memory keys.

2GB Dreamy Tina, £92.00 Swarovski





NO, THEY'RE NOT IN MUMBAI. NEW CALL SYSTEM WILL SURE MEAN A BETTER CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE.

Sure is changing the way it handles calls at its contact centre to improve the service it provides to customers. The company has introduced a new call management system that will enable enquiries to be directed to the most appropriate department or operators more quickly. In our eyes limiting frustration for this knid of thing is always good. I had to wait 58 minutes for someone to answer the phone at Orange once....

The contact centre provides 24 hour support to Sure customers in Jersey, Guernsey and the Isle of Man, and receives more than 30,000 calls per month. It handles all enquiries across the company's full range of services, including domestic fixed line and broadband to mobile and business services. It also provides lifeline services such as emergency calls and operator services. With the new interactive voice response (IVR) system, customers will be able to choose from a range of options depending on the nature of their call. This will help to reduce the time taken to resolve the majority of enquiries. Yes, they can be annoying but they get you to the right person more quickly!



FASTER BITTORRENT ANYONE? IT I AUNCHES 8MEG BROADBAND TRIAL

Jersey Telecom has launched a new broadband trial, which will see a group of customers test broadband speeds four times faster than the standard level. The trial customers have been randomly chosen based on their current line characteristics and location. If the trial is successful, many more customers will be able to upgrade to the higher speed later this year. Yay! Finally in line with the rest of the UK!

The faster broadband speeds have been made possible as a result of JT's £11m $investment in the \, Next \, Generation \, Network$ (NGN) which allows voice, data and media services to be provided by a single network. Jersey Telecom is also increasing the amount of exchange points around the island, which in turn reduces the average copper line length to customers and so

JT are also evaluating fibre broadband, which can offer speeds of up to 100Mbit/s. Investment in technology such as fibre broadband. Obviously a big step for any operator, particularly on a little rock like Jersey, but with the continued growth of the internet and new media services we'll all be needing even faster broadband

Looking Ahead

Watch this! the one with the midget....

Sony and Nintendo are about to continue the trend for media convercence and bring You Tube to your TV via a link (http://www.youtube.com/tv). Only accessible via video game consoles, initially PlayStation 3 and Wii, this will enable you to entertain friends with videos of people getting hit in the face with things and animals falling over to your heart's content, all from the comfort of your couch.

If you believe the blog, this new concept is set to offer "a dynamic, lean-back, 10-foot television viewing experience" for the consoles connected to the Internet. And to make it oh so simple, text will be enlarged and an auto-play capability also allows users to watch related videos in a sequential manner. Um.. what possible reason could there be for that....?



SNAP HAPPY **NEW PANASONIC LUMIX FS**

Over the next few months expect to see the launch of two new models in the Panasonic Lumix FS-series. This one is 12 megapixel, wide angle (useful) and image stabilization and AF tracking to lock on to moving objects. Ooo er.

The battle of the camcorders

No sooner had Canon announced news of their latest batch of camcorders, Sony pops up with four new ones dure for release around April. The new HDR-XR models are all hard drive based; preserving content in high



resolution with 1920x1080 HD video recording and up to 12 MP still image capture. Yes, 12 meg photos... on a camcorder. Good huh?

Sony's flagship, the excitingly named HDR-XR520V, has a 240GB hard drive, an embedded GPS (perfect for traveling), a back-illuminated Exmor R CMOS sensor and improved optical image stabilization. For those who are less concerned with being the one with the biggest toy the HDR-CX100 (000!) Flash Memory Handycam records 1920*1080 HD video, records 4 MP photos, and features Face Detection and Smile Shutter technology. It also has 8GB of internal memory. That sounds pretty good too! It's amazing how far these cameras have progressed.

Canon's new flagship, the VIXIA HF S10 (at least it sounds like a name) has the ability to record videos to either a 32GB internal Flash drive or directly to an SDHC memory card. We're keen on Canon cameras at gallery and this camcorder has the same DIGIC DV III Image Processor and an 8.59 MP Full HD CMOS Image Sensor, Genuine Canon Face Detection Technology, an advanced Auto Exposure system and Video Snapshot and Dual Shot Modes you'd see in theit still cameras. In addition, both models deliver 8.0 MP photos. If you've got some valentines memories to record,

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It's a matter of priorities...

If your contract's coming to an end it's time to re-evaluate the whole situation, why not decide what you're after and plump for one of these boys (except the last one... that's going to be a while...).



MUSIC

NOKIA 5800 XPRESS MUSIC

Making a late entry into the modern touchscreen world, the Nokia 5800 has now landed. with some classic Nokia features, and we think it's hit the ground running. It features a 3.2" widescreen touch display with 640 x 360 pixel resolution and alphanumeric and mini qwerty keypads, and handwriting recognition. The music player features integrated stereo speakers with surround sound. Storage is in the form of an 81mb internal memory and 8gb microsd card. Aside from the music, this puppy also has a 3.2 megapixel camera, video recording up to 30 fps (tv high quality) and GPS.



WORK&PLAY

BLACKBERRY JAVELIN 8900

The sleek Blackberry Javelin 8900 is the latest non-3g smartphone, allowing users to work hard, play hard, keeping in touch with the office whilst listening to music, streaming tv and watching films on the move. The pocketable Javelin contains an impressive 512 mhz processor, 256 mb of onboard flash memory plus microsd slot, a hi-res 460 x 360 hvga+display, wi-fi with uma and gps, and a 3.2 Megapixel camera. This smartphone has desirable social networking capabilities with Facebook for Blackberry and Windows Messenger applications. If you value a slim smartphone and can live with the absence of 3g, you're going to love it.



BUDGET

SONY ERICSSON T303

This little guy is a stylish and functional entry level phone. It is compact and easy to use and its sliding design will appeal to a wide range of users. The T303 includes a 1.3 megapixel camera with digital zoom, fm radio and bluetooth. The 8 mb memory is perfect for storing your top mp3 tracks which you can also use as ringtones. The T303 has an excellent battery life and is the perfect choice for a compact phone that is good for making calls, sending messages and for capturing a few of life's special moments.



OK, OK so we drew the iPhone. We'd be keen to see one in production though!

COMING UP?

IPHONE NANO / GOOGLE G1 SUCCESSOR.

Early adopters are caught in turmoil over the next developments in the Apple / Google face off. As the Android operating

system picks up support from consumers, Apple users watch in anticipation to see how Apple will react. Rumour is rife on the internet over the potential iPhone Nano after cases for mystery new models turned up in anticipation. Someone knows something.... Meanwhile, Google's relationship with HTC continues with the rebadged 'Dream' getting good reviews and creeping in to the market. Watch this space.





ALL WORK AND NO PLAY MAKES BLACKBERRY A DULL PHONE? NOT ANY MORE.

For a long time the Blackberry has been the mainstay of the business community but has struggled to compete with the consumer targeted, feature-packed phones. Let's face it, 'Brick' wasn't much competition entertainment-wise. That's all about to change though, as Blackberry has seen the iPhone trounce the sector and start to tap away at the business arena. In response, Blackberry have repositioned their offering and their new models are now firmly targeting the average user.

One big advantage as we move to the age of mobile data is that with Blackberry you can stay constantly connected to the likes of Facebook and it won't cost you any extra. Data pricing, zipping and packaging mean bills can be kept to a minimum compared to full function download phones like my lovely iPhone. The new Blackberry will take photos and send in emails on the move.

imagine the use.... Pop over to London to party with friends over the weekend... On the way to the airport log on to the internet and check your flight is running on time. Seeing that your plane is running to schedule, you email your friend to let him know you'll be there just after lunch. Waiting to board, use the free instant messenger service to arrange the evening's entertainment. Throughout the weekend use your BlackBerry to take photos of all the action and instantly post embarrassing photos on Facebook for ridicule by friends all aroundthe world....

Personal BlackBerry solutions are available starting at £14.99 from Jersey Telecom. All BlackBerry data usage across the Channel Islands and UK is FREE. Sure have told us they also have some exciting new announcements about Blackberry over the coming months and Airtel Vodafone will almost certainly have official stock of the new Blackberry Storm soon too. This little baby has a touch screen and is set to be an iPhone challenger.....







hey there sport.....

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This month we've had a few people send in details of sporting events in aid of charity, so we thought we'd let you know and see if you'd like to get involved, either by participating or sponsoring. And if you don't fancy either, just heed Tania's tips and get in shape for 2009!

YOU GOT WHAT TT

In April 2008 15 teams of 3 competed in a team building challenge event comprising 5 tasks (rope work, semaphore, fund raising, kayak and mini abseil). The event was organised as a partnership between Tim Rogers and John Fox at www.jerseyadventures.com.The 2008 winners were a team from Jersey Harbours and the event also raised a substantial amount for Jersey Hospice.

2009 will see a slight change based on organiser Tim Roger's experience of the LandRover G4 Adventure Race. A maximum of 16 teams of 3 people will undertake 5 new challenges, taking about 40mins each. As in 2008 people will commute between each task by mountain bike.

The challenges will be a bit tougher; the idea being that, in parallel with organising a local team building event, Tim will be looking to identify the top 5+ individuals across all the teams in an effort to establish a Jersey team to take part in a UK or French adventure race later in 2009. The potential team should be prepared for any combination of the following activities;

- * Navigation & orienteering
- * Problem solving and teamwork
- * Mountain biking
- * Running
- * Climbing, abseiling and rope-work
- * Kayaking
- * In-line staking

The Jersey entry fee is £50 per person, which includes a contribution to cover the cost of the team that will enter the UK or French adventure race.



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WALKOVERS Charity Cricket Challenge In aid of CYSTIC FIBROSIS

On Saturday 27th June, Jersey's Walkovers Cricket Club will be participating in a unique event. The plan is to play four games of cricket in Twenty20 format, in four different Channel Islands in just

The team will start their quest as early as 7am in Alderney having stayed overnight on the island. Once this fixture has taken place, the team will then travel by air to Guernsey for their second match. After their second match and in order to save valuable time, the team will travel to Sark and Jersey on a RIB (rigid inflatable boat) for the remaining two matches. After the final match in Jersey at Grainville Cricket Ground there will be a raffle and presentations expected to start at about 9pm.

> The idea is to raise both awareness and funds for Cystic Fibrosis, something that their friend, and team mate Kevin English,

suffers from. Kevin leads a fairly normal life, albeit with the help of the CF trust who provide medication, support and apparatus allowing him to be active. CF is the UK's most common, life-threatening inherited disease and claims three lives a week in the UK.

They want to raise the profile of CF both here in Jersey, and in the UK – as many people do not know what it is, or the effect it has on people's lives.

They are currently looking for a main sponsor to cover the costs of staging the event. The club have already received help from various sources to keep costs to a minimum, but would welcome the opportunity to talk to prospective backers.

If you're interested in being involved, contact Paul Michel of the Walkovers Cricket Club on 07797 888400 or pa.michel@health.gov.je



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Our resident queen of body toning gives you her ideas on how to stay on track this New Year when it comes to your social life and set goals for a healthier you.

Find yourself a training buddy who you can rely on and who'll keep you motivated

Book yourself a personal trainer to kick start your New Year's resolution.

Avoid eating carbohydrates late in the day into the evening as this will result in weight gain.

Food of choice should be protein-based. The great thing about protein is that it fills you up fairly quickly and it also keeps you full longer.

Schedule some time in your week to do your workouts and make sure those plans don't change. This will keep you focused & make you feel better about yourself!

Find something that motivates you to move forward, and put it somewhere that you will constantly be reminded of it.







Get in a spin...

and help the Morris family raise money for Jersey Hospice Care

Fancy yourself as a bit of a philanthropic Lance Armstrong? The family of Jay Morris are asking islanders to help them pass a milestone at Jersey's annual Spinathon, which is organised in his memory.

Over the event's six year history, £85,000 has been raised for Jersey Hospice Care. This year the Morris family are asking volunteers to help them reach the £100,000 milestone by either taking part in the 7th sponsored spin, or donating money to someone who is. The event is at Club Carrefour, St Lawrence, on Saturday 28th February, when up to 85 people will be spinning (cycling on a stationary bike for all those not down with the lingo) in one-hour slots for seven hours. Spinners can do as many hours as they like, and they will be led by Club Carrefour's spinning instructors, who are supporting the charity by giving their time free of charge.

Jay, who was a keen racing cyclist and founder member of the Velo Cycling Club, died from cancer at the age of 30 in 2003. He had every intention of taking part in the first Spinathon, which was originally set up to raise awareness of his illness. Sadly, he died a few weeks before it took place and his family have organised it every year since, as much a tribute to Jay as a fund raiser for Jersey Hospice Care. Anyone can take part and the event is open to all ages; Jay's brother Sam first took part in the event when he was eleven years old and this year he is planning to complete five hours. He said: 'I really enjoy spinning in Jay's memory. It's always good fun and there's a great atmosphere as people sing and cycle to the beat of the music that's played in the background.' Jay's father, Alan, takes part every year with his wife Jenny, along with Jay's widow, Sharon who comes over from England for the event.

Mark Pickford, a close friend of Jay who also regularly takes part in the Spinathon, completed seven hours last year, and is hoping to spin for the whole day again this year. He said: 'The event's for such a good cause. There's not a day goes by that you don't hear about someone who's been helped by Hospice or who has been treated at Clarkson House.' He added: 'Even though money is a bit tighter this year, I hope people will be as generous as they were last year when we raised £17,500. That was a record, and it would be great to beat our target of £100,000 over the event's history, so get signed up – the more the merrier and the more likely we are to make it!'

Spinners are able to book a slot at the event by completing a registration form which is available at www.jerseyhospicecare.com or by phoning 871559. There is a registration fee of £10 per person and it's hoped as much sponsorship as possible will be raised by participants. Spinners will be given a T-shirt and are asked to sign up to cycle in one-hour slots between 9am and 6pm.





Storming well into their second year, Hustle has just launched a second residency in Guernsey at the end of January and has no plans to slow down. The 'littlest big' night is set to get bigger this year. Introducing a few new faces to the line up, amidst popular regulars; Lottie is first in the line up for 2009.

She played this time last year for those of you lucky enough to attend. A child of the 8os, her inspiration came from electronic sounds. At 15 she was clubbing, hitting the legendary Haçienda and by the time she reached 21 she hit London. It was the technical side which Lottie was more drawn to as she would watch DJ's for what they were doing rather than playing.

Fast forward 9 years and Lottie exploded onto the scene by winning Muzik magazine's Best New DJ award in 1999, which in turn, soon after secured a residency at the now sadly departed Turnmills. Lottie has played all over the world and even hosted Danny Rampling's "love groove dance party" on Radio One back in the 90s as well as producing in the studio for many years. Her looks and talent sent her into the world of TV, presenting for MTV at Homelands (2000) and appearing on Channel 4's award-winning Faking It show as a mentor to a classical musician who was trying to make it as a club DJ.

Lottie has been renowned for her deep dark twisted sound of proper house. Over the years we see that this style has changed slightly, it still holds the big baselines and acid twists of course but the sound is more teasing, building the crowd into a frenzy, with tough and techy house and funky sounds thrown in.

Room two will be the stage for Fuzzbox v's Rocksteady, this will entail all sorts of music from funk to hip hop to breaks and of course house!



We heard on the grapevine that the UK government are considering introducing a legal requirement in the new tax year which will insist that anyone applying or re-applying for an entertainment licence must have a noise control device fitted to the venue. The level at which these devices will cut you off is low = no music. We wonder how long it will be before Jersey follows . . .

http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/NoNoiseControl/#detail

Nightlife listings





06.02.08

MONEYSHOT BREAKERS

The Northwest Breakers are DJ's Audiologist, Sean Farrell, and production partner Terminal State. They are usually accompanied by the lyrical talents of Southampton's M.C Alias, and Liverpool's M.C Sample. They are a true tear-out/jump-up breakbeat outfit and incorporated into their sets you will find a vast influence of other sounds. including Hip Hop, Dubstep, and D&B.

WHERE: PURE NIGHTCLUB TICKETS: £4 OTD



07.02.08

CLIQUISM LEFTROOM STYLE

For the last few years, everything has been falling into place for Matt Tolfrey. He quickly stepped up from playing at local bars to holding down residencies at The Bomb and Stealth in Nottingham, two of the country's most respected underground clubs. More recently he also started his own night named Leftout at the TBar in London. He's played at some of the best clubs in the UK, notably Fabric, and worldwide from Ibiza, and Berlin, via USA and Australia. As well as all this, he runs four of his own labels named Leftroom, Leftroom Limited, Leftout and Is This. Support on the night from Pete De Momme and Carl Scott.

WHERE: PURE TICKETS: £4 BEFORE 11 / £6 AFTER



07.02.08

REMINISCE WITH SHADES OF RHYTHM

From a quiet country town the boys got thrown into a rave whirlwind that still carries an inertia to this very day. Performing 2 to 4 times a week with other artists like the Prodigy, Njoi or K klass at raves like Raindance and Fantasia to clubs like the Astoria to the Hacienda it was the time of their lives. and 'every day was a party

WHERE: LIQUID NIGHTCLUB TICKETS: TBC



13.02.08

DISORDER RETURNS

The hard and tough sounds of DIS:ORDER return to Pure Nightclub for another Friday night of upfront sounds, with local residents James Manners, Jonny Houguez, Sam George and Matt Turner on rotation in the main room.

WHERE: PURE NIGHTCLUB TICKETS: £5 OTD



14.02.08

MOVERS AND SHAKERS PRESENT HYBRID

Mike Truman and Chris Healings have been writing, producing, touring and DJing all over the globe for the best part of a decade and have amassed nearly 250 productions to date. They were chosen by Moby to support him on his Autumn 2000 North American tour getting them ready for their first punishing global tour for 18 months including Australia, Japan for the Fuji Rock Festival, Melbourne for the Millennium NYE, across Europe and back to the UK. Support from Steve Ferbrache and Andy Le Gresley, Elcias and Pete De Mommeand, with the top floor occupied by Pure residents Keith Robinson and Paul Shoer.

TICKETS: £6 B4 11 | £7 AFTER WHERE: PURE NIGHTCLUB



21.02.08

FUSSION PENDULUM DJ SET

Pendulum formed in their home town of Perth (Western Australia) in 2002, when producers Rob Swire and Gareth McGrillen teamed up with acclaimed local DJ Paul 'Elhornet' Harding. Their individual formative roots ranged from producing drum & bass, breakbeat and hardcore, to playing in metal and punk bands, before they managed to single-handedly conquer the world of drum & bass in their first 12 months together. In support in the main room is Lee Dorington and DJ Spim with the Envy room taken over by Audio residents Stuart King and Dan Sharpe.

TICKETS: TBC WHERE: LIQUID NIGHTCLUB 20.02.08 **DRIFT WITH MISS PINK**

The Drift proudly presents its special guest DJ, Lil Miss Pink, coming to Jersey for the first time with her unique mixture of house, urban style and breaks. Her sets are all about breaking boundaries and being innovative in her mixing. Specialising in mixing vocal tracks with funky beats, she incorporates nu skool breaks and chunky house into her sets, mashing up accapella's with catchy b-lines, creating a very interesting new sound! She has been travelling all over the world to play venues in China, Germany, Finland, Belgium, Spain and even as far as Australia....Support from Craig Alder.

WHERE: DRIFT BAR TICKETS: FREE



20.02.08

INSOLE ADSORB

Adsorb is a DJ/Producer from the UK. Also known as Ads he produces many different styles but has a real flavour for Breaks/Electro. Alongside his production and DJ work he set up and managed the award winning residential, recording studio 'Kenwood Studios' in Sheffield which produced many successes including the mixing down and vocal recording of Dizzee Rascal's 'Boy In Da Corner' Mercury Award winning album.and also housed and worked with DJ's/Artists/Producers including; Jazzy Jeff, Roots Manuva, Nightmares On Wax, Fila Brazilia, Cash Money, Krafty Kuts and Larry Heard. You'll find him now on Brighton beach! Support from the Insole crew... Andy M, Richard E and Nick R!

WHERE: PURE NIGHTCLUB TICKETS: £5 OTD



21.02.09

FUZZBOX MEETS BEN WESTBEECH

Ben Westbeech is a male DJ, singer and producer originating from Bristol, but now lives in London. UK. Trained as cellist and vocalist, his influences include House, Rock n Roll, punk, jazz and hip hop. Ben first gave a CD containing his first single 'So good today' to a friend in London. Two months later she played it to Gilles Peterson who snapped it up. This led to Ben being signed to Gilles Peterson's new label Brownswood Recordings. His debut album 'Welcome to the Best Years of Your Life' was released in March 2007. Ben is currently DJ-ing around the world as well as writing a new album. Ben has also appeared on Later... with Jools Holland alongside Paul McCartney and Björk. Most recently Ben appeared on the track 'Squeeze Me' on Kraak and Smaak's album titled 'Plastic People', released in April 2008.

TICKETS: TBC WHERE: PURE NIGHTCLUB



28.02.08

HUSTLE WITH LOTTIE

Inspired by her teenage years at the legendary Haçienda in Manchester Lottie has paved a solid career in the thick of the dance music scene. Back in 1999 Lottie won the Sony Ericsson best new DJ award, the Dancestar Best Breakthrough DJ award and regularly guested for Pete Tong on Radio 1 before going on to host and reside at London's legendary Missdemeanours club and label. She continues to travel worldwide with her edgy electronic style. Support from Suze Rosser and Jimmy Graham in the main room, with Fuzzbox and Rocksteady in

WHERE: PURE NIGHTCLUB TICKETS: £7 OTD



28.02.08

CLIQUE & TERMINOLOGY PRESENT HOT CHIP

Hot Chip is a Grammy-nominated British electropop band. With 3 studio albums; 'Coming on Strong', 'The Warning', and 'Made in the Dark' under their belt, 'The Warning' was named Album of the Year by Mixmag and voted the fourth best album of 2006 by NME. 'Made in the Dark', released in February 2008; Mixmag awarded the title Album of the Month in their January 2008 issue. The band is also well-known for their live shows, where they often reinvent their songs on stage, creating a completely different sound to what might be the studio version.

WHERE: LIQUID NIGHTCLUB TICKETS: TBC



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