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If you're between the core ages of 25 and 40 and male then you'll be aware of the film 'Point Break'. Even if you're older, younger or female and interested in surfing there's also a good chance it's been on your radar. For those of you that don't know it, shame on you. Look it up. The film was straplined '100% pure adrenaline', perfect for watching whilst browsing our adrenaline issue this month. It's a film that pretty much defined my youth, or at least what I wanted to become. Surfing, skydiving, robbing banks with a slice of fancy dress; it looked good to me.

As those of you familiar with this particular slice of teenage male-orientated cinematic perfection would know; the good guys, or 'criminals' as the film would have you believe, don't live to rob another day. Being shot then falling to my death from a plane or being beaten to death in Baja both sounded like bad ways to go. I'd like to think I'd have done things differently and Utah wouldn't have caught me but, let's face it, I'm not going to paddle to New Zealand*. I'd prefer it if the adrenaline came naturally rather than through some snake bite-induced EpiPen incident in the desert.

An adrenaline 'fuelled' lifestyle of recreational action sports is something that's still pretty newly available to us. It's been a pretty stable couple of decades for those of us growing up in the 80s, 90s and 00s. If our parents and grandparents wanted to get into skydiving, they'd probably had to have done it in uniform. With a gun. Thrown out over North Africa, Germany or Vietnam. Less appealing right?

We have a great environment for getting your adrenaline pumping in Jersey. Check out some of our local talent in this month's sports section or skydive for charity (great justification, details in the community section). Make this the month to take up a new sport or pastime. If you can't afford the kit, you can always go planking...

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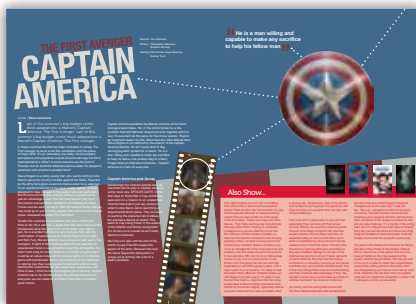
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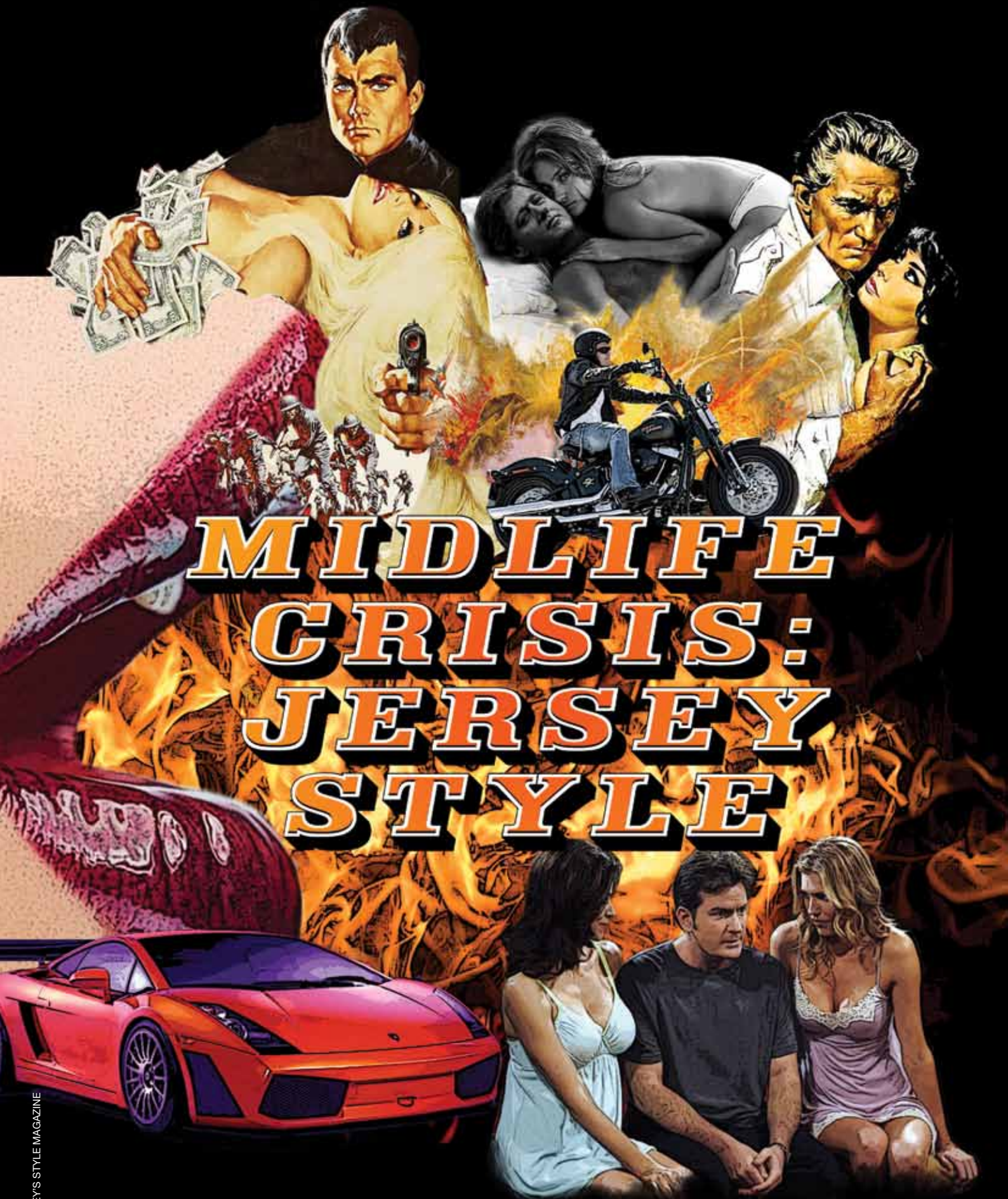
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MIDLIFE CRISIS: JERSEY STYLE

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What's up, dudes? I know that this magazine is mostly read by the hip youngsters out there, but I bet there's more than a few guys like me who grab a copy too - cool guys, fun guys, guys who have a Harley Davidson and a lot of time on their hands since they got divorced. We like to party too, and maybe that's why we ditched the old ball and chain and ended up with a hot girlfriend half our age. Sometimes you need a woman that understands you, and life's too short to say no just because she's six years older than your daughter and happens to be your secretary. Right, guys? High five!

Men like us live life like a Lamborghini driving in the fast lane, and it's no surprise that not everybody can keep up. Some of you are just driving a sensible Volvo, so don't bother honking your horn when Wendell Stamps overtakes. I can't even hear you, because my Bang and Olufsen stereo is rocking with the latest album from U2, and I have to tell you it's up pretty loud.

I'm an Easy Rider, roaring down the highway of life with the wind in what remains of my hair. Maybe if the former Mrs Stamps had spent less time popping Valium and more time doing Bikram Yoga she might not have been traded in for a younger model, but life's too short for bitterness about the past. I've stopped caring if that ridiculous, over-generous divorce settlement gets wasted on a few more facelifts, because unlike some people I'm going full speed ahead and it doesn't matter if I get a few points on my licence.

Tuck your shirt into your jeans

If you're lucky enough to find yourself with time and money on your hands, then you couldn't be living in a better place than Jersey, isle of older dudes and the girls who love them. I'm literally spoiled for choice when thinking of things to do and places to hang out - sometimes I can't decide which restaurant to sit outside, talking loudly into my phone about investment deals and making sure that everybody can see my watch. As long as they sell expensive wine, I'm not fussed, because one of the pleasures of being a stylish man in your fifties is that you get to know a lot about wine. People love it when I talk to them about my interests in fine wine, real ale, vintage cars and my collection of shiny Apple devices. Would you like to see what my iPhone 4 can do? It's amazing.

Most weekends, I like to hop in my pimped ride and catch some waves in St

Ouen, or maybe just park the BMW by the beach with the surfboard on top. If I'm not in the mood to 'hang ten', I might put on some lycra and take a spin on the racing bike I bought when me and the other partners did a race for charity last year. It cost six grand because it's made entirely of experimental carbon fibre, which means it was pretty light when I had to push it up the hill at La Pulente. Business isn't all about mergers and tax avoidance, and it's great to give something back - between the eight of us we raised over £2000 for some village in Africa. I just hope it's one like you see in National Geographic magazine - where the girls are topless all the time.

Dancing on the ceiling

When the youngsters at work ask me how I've still got the energy to be partying with them past midnight on Friday, I discreetly wipe the crumbs out from my nostrils and tell them that my motto is "work hard, play hard" - which is why I have more in common with the young bucks than I do with my greying, happily married contemporaries. Unlike some of the partners at the firm, I'm not the kind of quitter who drops out with a heart attack on the squash court - whilst they're getting bored with their ageing wives I'm spending the weekend with some girls I met in Ibiza. I even went to one of those raves - the music's a bit fast, but I didn't let that stop me from showing off my moves, because I've still got Saturday Night Fever.

I'd always heard a lot of men say that life begins at fifty, and I'd never believed them, but it's true. I may not have the boyish good looks of my twenties, but that's nothing that a daily session on the sunbed and some expensive dental work can't fix. The younger ladies still like me because I'm distinguished and mature, like a fine wine or this vintage leather jacket. That, and the fact that I have a generous life insurance policy and own a yacht.

Transfusion of tiger blood

Why shouldn't I enjoy the fruits of three decades of investment banking? I spent most of my thirties working seventy hour weeks, but I hardly ever got to party because I had to go home to the family at least half the time. These days I get to enjoy all my down time, either chillaxing or spending the money I've worked hard for - well, at least the portion of it that isn't going to my ex-wife or her blood-sucking lawyers. I don't regret a thing, and if I could speak to my younger self I'd tell him to look forward to the kind of late youth enjoyed by other hip dudes like Arnold Schwarzenegger, Charlie Sheen and Bill Clinton. Bill Clinton, I salute you - now there's a man who knows a thing or two about what to tell people when you're caught getting a blowjob at work.

I like to say 'carpe diem' - that's latin for 'party hard, dudes' and that's what I'd tell my immature, less balding self if I somehow could travel back to my twenties without the assistance of a cocktail of Botox and Viagra. It's what I tell the young blokes at work, because even if they're too embarrassed to admit it I can tell they look up to me - a guy that proves you can still be cool when you're past forty, like Jeremy Clarkson or Simon Cowell. In fact, I'd probably be having this kind of conversation with my own son if we were still on speaking terms. Still, I'm sure he'll come round, because that maintenance agreement runs out when he reaches 18, and Dad's the one who has tickets to see Coldplay and a jacuzzi full of half-naked girls. Despite what his mother says, I'm not sad or lonely at all, as he'd be well aware if he'd accepted my friend request on Facebook.

Keep it real, dudes - don't do anything I wouldn't do. Stamps out.



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FRIDAY 1ST & SATURDAY 2ND JULY

SUNSET CONCERTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH ASHBURTON

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Free // 483193 // Next to the Dolmen



WEEKLY FROM 1ST OF JULY

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From £4.70 - £6.45 // Durrell // 860000

SATURDAY 2ND JULY

VINTAGE FAIR

Browse the collectable items and unique gifts from the 1900s to the 1970s, including Art Deco, Art Nouveau, studio ceramics, prints, books, vintage French linen and clothing, country furniture, cushions, fabric, jewellery, copper, silver and glassware.

10:00 - 18:00 // St Brelade's Parish Hall // Free // Call 07797 744848 for more details

SATURDAY 2ND JULY

JERSEY INTERNATIONAL BEACH RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Beach rugby – a fast, enthralling version of the 15-a-side game – comes to Jersey once again. A game played on a half-size beach pitch, which discounts line-outs and scrums but allows for tackles and which, of course, is played with an oval ball. The Jersey Rugby Association is organising a Beach Rugby tournament as a fun way of playing a bit of rugby in the Summer. A day of sport on the beach open to both men's and women's teams. Teams consist of 6 - 10 players. Special Guests Matt Banahan (subject to International Duties) and Jonathon Davies. Free for spectators. Registration cost is £20 per player (includes beer & baguette in the afternoon, a souvenir t-shirt and a donation to Holidays 4 Heroes).

£20 per player // 613047 // In front of the Oyster Box

SATURDAY 2ND JULY

SCRATCH PERVERTS AT THE WATER SPLASH
Theology brings The Original Kings of the turntable mash ups back to Jersey for what is set to be a night of musical mayhem! Tony Vegas, Prime Cuts and Plus One are the Scratch Perverts - a name that has become synonymous with HipHop and battle DJing ever since their formation in 1996. Strictly over 18s. ID essential. Booking fee applicable. Coach transfers available to venue.

£10-£15 // Water Splash Jersey // 887786

SUNDAY 3RD JULY

THE JARC BATH TUB CHALLENGE

Following the success of the 6 previous annual Bathtub Challenges, this year's event will take place on the afternoon of Sunday 3rd July in the bathing pool at Havre des Pas. The Challenge is to take an ordinary plastic bathtub and transform it into a vessel capable of negotiating a course within the bathing pool. Last year over two dozen teams took up the challenge and this year it is anticipated that the number of entrants will be even greater. The Bathtub Challenge is entirely free and is open to everyone - individuals, families and friends, as well as clubs and associations. Speed is not the only mark of success and entrants are encouraged to allow full reign to their imagination and design skills, the Panthers and the Batmobile being two of the stranger entries, while the Titanic, which won the Least Seaworthy Trophy, sank several times before the racing had even begun.

Free // Havre Des Pas Lido // 07797 710416



THURSDAY 7TH JULY AND SATURDAY 9TH JULY

INTERNATIONAL INTER-ISLAND ARTISTIC GYMNASTIC COMPETITION

International Gymnastic Island Games is being held at Fort Regent during this week. Islands taking part are Aland, Bermuda, Cayman, Faroe Island, Isle of Man, Ynys Mon and Jersey. The competition is for Junior and Senior gymnasts both men and women and it's the first time it's been held in Jersey. The venue is at the Queen's Hall, Fort Regent Leisure Centre, St Helier and competition days are on Thursday 7th and Saturday 9th July. Free entry for all Spectators. Come and support your Jersey gymnasts in this exciting competition! Start times from 09:00 - 10:00 daily.

9:00-10:00 // Fort Regent // 449600

FRIDAY 8TH JULY

LADY GAGA & AMY WINEHOUSE TRIBUTE ACTS

Featuring Lady GaGa's number one hits and chart smashes, Vicky Jackson brings a stunningly visual show to the international superstar that is Lady GaGa. With some eye poppin' costumes this is a show not to be missed for all pop music fans! Vicky is well known throughout the entertainment industry as one of the finest acts available and her Amy Winehouse Tribute Show has been going down a storm. Live on stage at 21:00. Over 18s only.

Free // Royal Yacht // 720511

SATURDAY 9TH JULY

ANNA LE MOINE GRAY EXHIBITION IN EXQUISITE

Solo exhibition and book signing will take place during the day in Exquisite lifestyle and interiors shop in the new Liberty Wharf development. Anna's collection is inspired by Jersey itself exploring the seashore, cliffs and country lanes.

Exquisite, Liberty Wharf // 888700 // Free



FRIDAY 10TH JULY

THE BIG GIG IN THE PARK

A CELEBRATION OF BRITISH POPULAR MUSIC

Organisers are thrilled to announce that X Factor runner up and Brit Award nominee, Olly Murs, will take to the stage in Howard Davis Park alongside Alexandra Burke. Local support acts also performing on stage are The Little Big Band and girl group Honeybun. Ticket info as follows: VIP £95 to include a glass of champagne and 2 course BBQ buffet. Adults £38.50, Children £27.50, Under 4s free. (Max £1 credit card transaction fee applies). More box office locations and contacts to be released soon.
£27.50-£38.50 // 16:00-23:00 // Howard Davis Park // biggig2011@yahoo.co.uk

SATURDAY 16TH & SUNDAY 17TH JULY

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£3 // 10:00-17:00 // 448877 // Trinity Manor

SUNDAY 17TH JULY

WATER SPORTS CHARITY SALE

Water sports equipment and clothing wanted such as: surfboards, kayaks, boogie boards, canoes, kite-surfing kits, wetsuits, buoyancy aids, snorkels, masks, flippers, booties, gloves etc. These items will be sold on your behalf and in return a donation of 10% will go directly to Jersey Hospice Care which would be greatly appreciated. Donated items will also be accepted.

La Braye Slip // Cash Only // 10:00-4:00 // call or email Jon on 07797711524 after 4.00pm or seasale@hotmail.co.uk

SATURDAY 23RD JULY

GRASSROOTS MUSIC FESTIVAL

Complete with an eco-village, this relative newcomer to the music festival scene is already enjoying huge popularity. Seasick Steve has been confirmed as this year's headliner with Easy Star All Stars, Mat McHugh, Backbeat Soundsystem, Ben Howard and Rick Jones. More artist announcements to follow.

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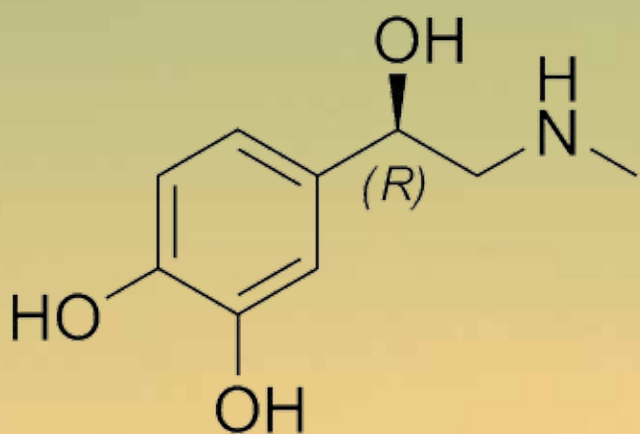
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Adrenaline

What a rush.

words | Georgie Clifford



What are the differences between the idea of adrenaline to the world of medicine and the idea of adrenaline to an adrenaline junkie? I wanted to find out, so I spoke to medical student, **Tom**, in his fifth year of studying medicine, as well as doing some research about what adrenaline means to those with a thrill-seeking personality and a keenness for dangerous sports.

What is adrenaline?

Adrenaline, AKA Epinephrine in the US, is a hormone that is produced in two glands situated just above the kidneys known as the adrenal glands.

The adrenaline rush is all part of the high level of risk or drama. A typical adrenaline junkie is usually associated with extreme sports, for example, auto racing, skydiving and bungee jumping. These adrenaline junkies often face a real possibility of serious injury or even death but these activities also provoke that adrenaline rush that the junkies are so famous for loving. You need courage and a risk-taking personality.

What does it do?

Adrenaline plays a number of different roles in the body but I'll focus on it as an integral part of something called the 'fight or flight' response. This is an adaptation in humans whereby, in the presence of threat, the body prepares itself to react: to fight or to flee. In the past, when man was regularly subject to life or death situations, the response was essential for our survival. Using a good old fashioned example, we can highlight the response at work:

It's a lovely Sunday afternoon and you're taking a casual stroll through the woods (in Canada) when you happen to come across a grizzly bear. This situation requires a response, and quick. The body needs to be primed to act; it is vital that your muscles are ready to work with the upmost power and efficiency. By the action of adrenaline, and other hormones, this can occur. Your heart beats faster, your lungs inhale more oxygen, stored energy is released and more blood is delivered to your muscles. All of this is so that you're as ready as you can be to kick the hell out of the bear or run for your life!

It's a sensation of feeling fully alive; adrenaline junkies are 'thriving' and 'striving' and have a craving for thrilling adventures. While this is true, an adrenaline rush can wear off after a time and is addictive. Some adrenaline junkies don't necessarily risk their lives in extreme sports but, instead, fill their lives with drama and conflict. For example, an adrenaline junkie can feel an adrenaline rush from manufactured stress instead of jumping out of a plane!

Tom concluded by stating, "Life isn't so tough these days; we don't depend on our old friend, 'fight or flight', any more. Because of this, we miss out on our regular hit of adrenaline, making some people desperately search for the elusive adrenaline rush by partaking in dangerous activities and much more."

So, ultimately, the medical side of things shows that adrenaline rushes can be explained in more ways than just a thrill but rather the technical explanation of exactly what happens in our body. Adrenaline can be our friend, triggering our instincts for survival, while it can also be the enemy when it comes to those who seek its rush, putting their lives in danger or just causing unnecessary drama.

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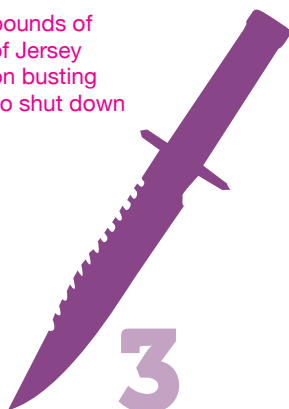


News in numbers



44

million pounds of States of Jersey recession busting fund is to shut down



3

years jail term for 23 year old 'rambo knife' attacker



67

year old local Donelda Guy and her two dancing dogs voted off Britain's Got Talent



33

people turned back at Jersey's borders for having the incorrect visas with 3 illegal immigrants being sent home last year



5

percent GST sees a 2% rise in the controversial tax

800,000

pounds of golden handshakes given to senior States managers questioned in States Chamber



1

French Navy flare found washed up at Plemont by lifeguard and destroyed by police



10

hour per week decrease in States nursery time proposed, with buying the hours back at £4.78 p/h a possibility

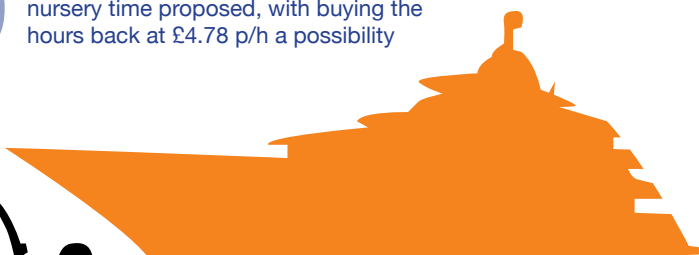
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inmates are currently sharing 6 showers at HMP La Moye due to building works



78

million pound superyacht MV Titan, owned by Roman Abramovich pays a visit to St Aubin's bay





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An Actual Personal Ad

To the guy who tried to mug me in downtown Savannah, night before last. Date: 2009-05-27, 1:43 a.m. E.S.T.

I was the guy wearing the black Burberry jacket that you demanded that I hand over, shortly after you pulled the knife on me and my girlfriend, threatening our lives. You also asked for my girlfriend's purse and earrings. I can only hope that you somehow come across this rather important message.

First, I'd like to apologize for your embarrassment; I didn't expect you to actually crap in your pants when I drew my pistol after you took my jacket. The evening was not that cold, and I was wearing the jacket for a reason. My girlfriend had just bought me that Kimber Model 1911.45 ACP pistol for my birthday, and we had picked up a shoulder holster for it that very evening. Obviously you agree that it is a very intimidating weapon when pointed at your head... isn't it?!

I know it probably wasn't fun walking back to wherever you'd come from with that brown sludge in your pants. I'm sure it was even worse walking bare-footed since I made you leave your shoes, cell phone, and wallet with me. (That prevented you from calling or running to your buddies to come help mug us again).

After I called your mother or "Momma" as you had her listed in your phone, I explained the entire episode of what you'd done. Then I went and filled up my gas tank as well as those of four other people in the gas station, - on your credit card. The guy with the big motor home took 150 gallons and was extremely grateful!

I gave your shoes to a homeless guy outside Vinnie Van Go Go's, along with all the cash in your wallet. (That made his day!)

I then threw your wallet into the big pink 'pimp mobile' that was parked at the kerb ... after I broke the windshield and side window and keyed the entire driver's side of the car.

Later, I called a bunch of phone sex numbers from your cell phone. Ma Bell just now shut down the line, although I only used the phone for a little over a day now, so what's going on with that? Earlier, I managed to get in two threatening phone calls to the DA's office and one to the FBI, while mentioning President Obama as my possible target.

The FBI guy seemed really intense and we had a nice long chat (I guess while he traced your number etc.).

In a way, perhaps I should apologize for not killing you, but I feel this type of retribution is a far more appropriate punishment for your threatened crime. I wish you well as you try to sort through some of these rather immediate pressing issues, and can only hope that you have the opportunity to reflect upon, and perhaps reconsider, the career path you've chosen to pursue in life. Remember, next time you might not be so lucky. Have a good day!

Thoughtfully yours,

Alex



Gallery Video of the Month

With over 23 million views on YouTube it seems that the only way to get you through your day and the only way to get more 'ENERGY' is by drinking 'POWERTHIRST' it makes you good at 'SPORT' and gives you lots of 'ENERGY'. Perfect if you're an 'ADRENALINE JUNKIE!'. You get the 'IDEA'.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qRuNxHqwazz>

joke of the month

A few days after Christmas, a mother was working in the kitchen listening to her young son playing with his new electric train in the living room. She heard the train stop and her son said, "All of you sons of bitches who want off, get the hell off now, 'cause this is the last stop! And all of you sons of bitches who are getting on, get your asses in the train, 'cause we're going down the tracks."

The mother went nuts and told her son, "We don't use that kind of language in this house. Now I want you to go to your room and you are to stay there for TWO HOURS. When you come out, you may play with your train, but I want you to use nice language."

Two hours later, the son comes out of the bedroom and resumes playing with his train. Soon the train stopped and the mother heard her son say, "All passengers who are disembarking from the train, please remember to take all of your belongings with you. We thank you for riding with us today and hope your trip was a pleasant one. We hope you will ride with us again soon." She heard the little boy continue, "For those of you just boarding, we ask you to stow all of your hand luggage under your seat. Remember, there is no smoking on the train. We hope you will have a pleasant and relaxing journey with us today."

As the mother began to smile, the child added, "For those of you who are pissed off about the TWO HOUR delay, please see the bitch in the kitchen."





Breed

Zoe: Human

Josie: Leonberger

Tango: Moggie

Age

Zoe: 11

Josie: 3 ½

Tango: 1

Likes

Zoe: Coke, dancing, skiing, sleepovers, swimming and chilling with my friends.

Josie: Swimming, playing with my equally delinquent best friend Maddison the Ridgeback, stealing other dogs' balls, and treats and cuddles – lots of them!

Tango: Atlantic prawns, attacking people for fun, winding Josie up when she's asleep, treats (blue ones!) and racing around.

Hates

Zoe: Green veg, cycling, Tango destroying my room, the cockerel across the road.

Josie: Haddock (I only like cod!), having my backside brushed, not going to the beach for my walk, cats (except 'my' cat), yappy dogs with small dog syndrome, being called 'big' all the time, being ignored or left alone and the cockerel across the road.

Tango: Being washed by Josie (yuck - the mere thought of it! I end up all wet and covered in dog spit), king-sized prawns, being evicted from Zoe's room (I'm her cat after all so we should share), the cockerel across the road.

If you could be any animal or human...

Zoe: A cat so I could curl up and sleep all day and do just what I want all the time.

Josie: Marilyn Monroe – I'm quite posh and I've got her wiggle already!

Tango: Moi? I'm purr-fect just as I am.

Wants

Zoe: A puppy Beagle

Josie: Walks on the beach every day, to be with my pack and to kill the rooster across the road – it's so annoying

Tango: To be left alone by the dog and my prawns to be ready at 5 o'clock everyday.

Interesting facts

Zoe: I play the drums. I'm travelling to Disney Paris with Team Jersey for the Dance World Cup later this month.

Josie: Leonbergers originated in Germany from a cross between St Bernard, Newfoundland and Mountain Pyrenean – to create a 'Little Lion'. I lean on people (especially when I've been swimming) – that's why we're called 'lean on bergers'. I have webbed feet and a double coat.

Tango: I have some Norwegian Forest Cat in my ancestry (maybe that's why I only like Norwegian prawns?)

Most impressive thing ever done

Zoe: Skied the Olympic runs in Whistler after the Winter Games last February.

Josie: I jumped into a swimming pool when out for a walk - I just had to, it was so hot that day - and had to be dragged out. I broke two of my owner's toes by standing on her foot.

Tango: I fell in the swimming pool the day I arrived at this house, caused £300 of damage to Josie by scratching and infecting her nose and I've broken every glass vase in the house!

Animals with adrenaline!

Is it a bird, is it a plane, it's.... oh wait, no it is actually a bird.

The tiny arctic tern makes the longest migration of any animal in the world, flying around twice as far than previously thought.

Miniature new transmitters recently revealed that the 4 ounce bird follows zigzagging routes between Greenland and Antarctica each year. In the process, the arctic tern racks up about 44,000 frequent flier miles, edging out its arch-rival, the sooty shearwater, by roughly 4,000 miles.



Everybody thinks of the cheetah as one of the fastest animals, however it's put to shame by the Peregrine Falcon, which is universally accepted as the fastest creature in the world. It reaches its top speed when in a hunting dive, the stoop, in which it soars to a great height, then dives steeply at high speeds of more than 200 mph!





Ear she goes

When you're coming up to a milestone birthday, running 10K might be the last thing on your mind. But for Sam Watts, director of Orchid PR, it was an ideal opportunity to set herself a challenge and raise money for a charity that has a special meaning for her family. Sam explains:

"Five years ago my gorgeous niece Heather was born into a silent world. As profoundly deaf, she didn't have the joy of hearing birdsong, beautiful music or the sound of people's chatter. Blissfully unaware that her world was different from ours, it was her parents that had to deal with the bombshell and take the massive decision for Heather to have bilateral cochlear implants when she was eighteen months old – the first child in Jersey to have them. Heather now has 85% 'fake' hearing, but has had to slowly learn how to integrate into school and build her confidence, one step at a time. The day she realised she was wearing 'noisies' (her name for her hearing aids) and no other child in her class was, nearly broke our hearts. She finally understood she was different and her confidence was battered. Recently, Heather and her family were invited to take part in a weekend away for families and children with cochlear implants. Co-ordinated by The Ear Foundation, they came face to face with many other children just like Heather. For the first time in her five years, she really felt like she belonged and her confidence shot through the roof.

The Ear Foundation (see www.earfoundation.org.uk for more info) is a unique charity providing support for children across the UK with cochlear implants and hearing aids. In the UK around 800 children per year are born profoundly deaf and a number of others become deaf through accident or illness. The Ear Foundation provides education and support for all those children living with hearing aids or implants to ensure they can join fully into family and school life. The Ear Foundation receives no statutory support and relies greatly on donations and grants.

Seeing first hand the impact the work they do has had on Heather and her family, I didn't think twice about making them my chosen charity for my 40th birthday challenge – running the Asics London 10K this month. I've been training since the beginning of the year, and despite my body's natural resistance to anything faster than walking pace, hope to be able to make the 10K and raise £2,500 for the Ear Foundation."

Support Sam and the Ear Foundation as she runs the Asics London 10K on Sunday 10th July - you can visit her page at JustGiving - www.justgiving.com/Sam-Watts/

99 green balloons go by (and the rest)

Did you spot the balloons floating over St Helier last month? To celebrate their continued support of Teenage Cancer Trust for 2011 and to mark the launch of Jersey Live promotions, Jersey Telecom launched hundreds of balloons in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust.

Members of the public bought a raffle ticket for a minimum donation of £1, matching a number on a balloon and one lucky winner's number matched a giant golden balloon, winning a VIP ticket (worth £195) to attend Jersey Live. Jersey Telecom are the proud sponsors of Jersey Live for the sixth year running, underlining the group's commitment to nurturing music talent in the islands. All the money raised from the sale of balloons will be donated to Teenage Cancer Trust.

Helen Haynes Regional Appeals Manager for Teenage Cancer Trust said: "I would like to thank Jersey Telecom Group for choosing to support Teenage Cancer Trust this year and we are really looking forward to working together on various projects to help young people fight cancer. The release of balloons is particularly significant as floating balloons in the sky are often seen as representing freedom, lightness and the ability to 'rise above it all,' which are all key strengths in the daily courage we see in the teenagers we support".

Vote or someone else will!

Since the early part of the 20th century when the charismatic Disraeli won the nation's hearts, and Churchill was the media pin up, the British love of politics amongst the youth has dwindled dramatically. It used to be all about which political club you were in, as that was where your social life would be; however cinemas, bowling alleys and the Royal Yacht have ended all of that. We're the generation of Heat Magazine and '5 minutes of fame', in times gone by it was elections which were the hot topic.

In Jersey from 16 onwards you can vote. You can start to affect what is happening; and yet many people don't, even though it really does directly affect them. Deciding who sits as Senators, Deputies and Constables in the States Assembly will affect you getting good value for money when you go shopping, being able to get a flat at a fair price, your options when you are sick and even the way Jersey looks. Leaving it to all the older people who have fairly different views and needs to us strikes me as a pretty bad idea. They will be getting what they want at the expense of us; purely because they are the ones who are bothered to vote, so they are the ones Electees will be appealing to.

All you need to do is register to vote at www.vote.je (before 5th Sept) and then place your vote on Wednesday 19th October. You only need to have lived here for two years or have lived in Jersey for 6 months, plus a period totalling 5 years. Just before the election every household in Jersey will receive a booklet containing manifestoes from everybody standing for election, so you can choose the ones who want to make changes that will make your life easier and hopefully cheaper!



Bringing history to life Jersey Heritage goes online

Jersey's history's coming to life in classrooms across the island thanks to 'Learning with Jersey Heritage' the new formal education area of the Jersey Heritage website. Teachers of Key Stages One and Two children can now download tailored Jersey Heritage learning resources, designed to complement the primary school curriculum and help children engage with the Island's heritage. Jersey Heritage has worked closely with the Education Sport and Culture Department to develop the formal education programme which, coupled with the 'My History Starts Here' Scrapbook, sponsored by Mourant Ozannes, launched at primary schools this spring, aims to bridge the gap between formal and informal learning.

Jonathan Carter, Director of Jersey Heritage said: "2011 is all about making Jersey's history accessible for future generations. Our key objective is to help families and children engage with the Island's history and connect with the colourful stories which make up the Island we live in today".



Skydiving in Jersey in some of the most picturesque around. No, we're being honest, it is.

Skydive to save a life

A tandem skydive fundraising event is being organised in the island to raise much needed funds for a Jersey charity called 'Hope for John'. The small Jersey based charity is raising funds for research into Lafora body disease of which there are only 200 cases worldwide and is calling for daredevil islanders to sign up for the chance to do a tandem skydive over Jersey.

The 'Hope for John Tandem Sky Dive' will take place on Sunday 28th August 2011 in Jersey and is being organised by Carol Rafferty and will be managed by experienced instructors from Jersey Sky Dive. The cost of a tandem skydive is usually £350, however, Jersey Sky Dive has kindly brought the cost down to £300 per person, with the Hope for John Charity paying £150 for each person willing to take the challenge. This event is also being generously sponsored by Kendrick Rose.

Carol Rafferty, event organiser, said: 'We are extremely delighted with the response so far. There appears to be quite a few daredevils living in the island! All we are asking is for people to raise a minimum of £600 in sponsorship. I am certain people can raise this as friends, family and colleagues tend to be quite generous when people commit to jumping out of a plane for charity!'

The challenge is open to individuals and groups aged 18 and over. No previous experience is required and the closing date for entries is 15th July. To get involved, call Carol on 07797 910467 or email carolrafferty@jerseymail.co.uk.

One Foundation's the number one

The One Foundation, a new charitable organisation launched to benefit the people of Jersey in the areas of education, sport and culture, is delighted to announce that they have been named as the lead sponsor for the Jersey Team at the NatWest Island Games 2011 taking place in the Isle of Wight later on this month.

The foundation has already raised £200,000 of new donations and a proportion of these funds have been distributed to the Jersey Team to purchase tracksuits and t-shirts for the event, as well as provide assistance towards their accreditation fees, transport and insurance. Steve Jacobs, Chairman of the Island Games Association of Jersey said: "This year's Island Games is a fantastic example of one of the core aims of the One Foundation - which is to turn aspiration into reality".



Deutsche Bank gets its hands dirty...

Over 20 volunteers from Deutsche Bank in Jersey recently spent a week carrying out projects for local charities through its newly launched annual 'Volunteering Week'. For the first project, around 15 employees helped rebuild part of the walls of the Neolithic hut at La Hougue Bie. Meanwhile, a further dozen staff spent time redecorating external parts of Clarkson House, cleaning and painting the balcony railings at the back of the property. Andreas Tautscher, Chief Country Officer for Deutsche Bank Channel Islands, commented: "I'm really pleased we were able to launch our Volunteering Week, which gave all our staff an opportunity to support local charities they care passionately about".



Condor Ferries leads the way... with disability training

Condor Ferries has been increasing the provision for disabled passengers on board its ferries by engaging DOTS Disability, a Dorset based charity, to provide disability awareness training for its crew. Instructors from DOTS Disability have been spending time on board Condor Ferries teaching the crew how to ensure disabled passengers are safe and well looked after on all crossings. Steve Bailey, Jersey Director of Condor Ferries, said: "We carry thousands of passengers to and from the Channel Islands each year and it is very important that all feel well cared for and are able to enjoy the facilities of the ship and their time onboard".

a little advice

Housing matters

The proposed control of housing and work law

words | **Tim Hart**, Partner, Appleby



On 5 July the States will debate the draft Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 201- (the "Law"). This will be the culmination of years of detailed policy-making and consultation since the States approved its Migration Policy in 2005.

The purpose of the Law, as its preamble puts it, is "to establish a registration process for residents of Jersey and to make provision for the control of work and housing". Essentially, the Law is to provide a single statute, replacing the Housing (Jersey) Law 1949 and the Regulation of Undertakings and Development (Jersey) Law 1973, to regulate the two issues which most directly impact upon the population of the Island, namely who can work here and who can live here.

The Law is a complex piece of legislation and the purpose of this article is just to highlight some of its key aspects insofar as the control of housing is concerned.

Categories of Jersey Residents: All Jersey residents will be categorised as one of the following:

Entitled. This equates to the "(a) to (h)" qualification under the current Housing Regulations. Entitled status will be able to be obtained after 10 years' continuous ordinary residence. In contrast to the current system, a person who has obtained Entitled status on this basis will be able to leave the Island for aggregate periods not exceeding 5 years without losing entitled status. Furthermore, 20 years' continuous ordinary residence will confer permanent entitled status which cannot be lost however long one's absences from the Island thereafter.

Licensed. This equates to the '(j) category' (essentially employed) qualification under the Housing Regulations.

Entitled for Work. This status will be acquired after 5 years' continuous residence, reflecting current policy in regard to 'locally qualified' persons under the Regulation of Undertakings legislation.

Registered. This will cover all Jersey residents who do not qualify under any of the other categories set out above.

Registration: A person's categorisation will be recorded on a registration card issued to him or her. A Jersey resident will be required to register as soon as any of the following triggers first applies to him or her:

- Completion of 3 months' continuous ordinary residence in the Island;
- Entering into a property transaction;
- Starting new work.

Categories of Properties: All units of residential accommodation will be recorded on a publicly-accessible register maintained by the Minister under one of the following categorisations:

Qualified. Essentially, this will cover all units which are currently subject to occupation control under the Housing legislation as well as units created after the Law comes into force.

Registered. This will cover all other units.

The Law makes provision for the maintenance of particular conditions and concessions which attach to a unit before the Law comes into force. It also enables the Minister to change of categorisation of a particular unit or the conditions/concessions which apply to it, either on the application of the owner of the unit concerned or of the Minister's own volition (subject to a right of appeal for the owner).

Control of Occupation and Property Transactions:

Subject to limited exceptions, qualified residential units will only be able to be occupied by entitled or licensed persons.

Acquiring property by way of freehold or on any kind of lease will require the production by the acquirer to the other party or parties to the transaction of his or her registration card, it will need to be shown that any conditions to the status set out on the card are fulfilled at that time. Since all parties to the transaction will commit a criminal offence if the acquirer does not have the requisite status at the time, the Law makes provision for the Minister to verify that a person continues to meet the conditions for maintenance of his or her status. Apart from this verification mechanism, there will be no equivalent of housing consents for individuals (as opposed to companies and other 'legal persons') acquiring property.

Unlike the current position in regard to (j) category persons, Licensed persons will be able to purchase and lease properties in their own names.

Licensed for work and registered persons will be able to take 'paper' leases (i.e. leases for terms not exceeding 9 years) of registered properties.

Commercial Property Transactions: No form of consent will be required for leases (whether 'paper' leases or 'contract' leases) of purely commercial property. However, a company or other 'legal person' taking a lease of residential property, or acquiring the freehold of commercial or residential property, will require the consent of the Minister.

Inherited wealth when the marriage breaks down

words | Rose Colley, Viberts



Of all the assets that need to be divided on divorce the treatment of inherited assets tends to give rise to the greatest emotion and feeling of injustice if the husband, the wife, or indeed the extended family feel that this has not been done fairly. All of this gives rise to a potent cocktail of emotions.

Inheritance is relevant in family proceedings both where it may be received in the future and where it has actually already been received by one of the parties to the marriage. The first circumstance is easier to deal with, as ordinarily the future inheritance has to be what is called 'reasonably foreseeable' in order for it to be taken account by the court in dividing the assets. More difficult is how to deal with a situation where the inheritance has already been received by either the husband or the wife.

It has now generally been accepted that the starting point for the division of assets should be an equal division and that 'good reasons' are required to depart from this. One of the major 'good reasons' to depart is where the assets have been inherited by, or gifted to, one of the spouses but this does not necessarily mean that inherited assets can be ring-fenced and not considered to be part of the matrimonial pot.

In the case of *Robson v Robson* where assets were calculated to be in the region of £22 million, the most valuable assets had been inherited by the husband including the fact that part of an estate in the Cotswolds had actually been lived in by the parties during their marriage of 22 years.

In the course of the judgment it was found that the husband and the wife "were living off wealth inherited by the husband and in a manner and at a level that focused on their own enjoyment and sporting passions rather than on preserving the inheritance for their children". In addition it found that in the later years of the marriage this expenditure "became excessive, reckless and perhaps obsessive or compulsive".

Lifestyle during the marriage is always one of the crucial factors that the court considers in dividing assets, as the level of the division will be guided by the standard of living during the marriage and the choices made by the parties during their life together. In *Robson* the parties had enjoyed a lifestyle that they could only afford due to the fact that they were failing to preserve the inherited assets for future generations. The fact that the wife had been complicit in the profligate expenditure of the inherited wealth had an impact on the award that she obtained from the court.

As far as the division of the inherited wealth was concerned, the court concurred with earlier decisions that such wealth can be treated differently from that earned jointly during the marriage but that the longer the wealth has been enjoyed, the less fair it is that it should be ring-fenced and excluded from the distribution. Every matrimonial case is different and the court must always attempt to find the right answer to suit the individual circumstances of the case before it.

Watch out... on making insurance claims

words | Carl Ashcroft, Associate, Collas Crill



When is a Hublot Big Bang Watch not a Hublot Big Bang Watch? The question was raised recently in Jersey's Royal Court when it refused a claim to force an insurer to pay out after such a watch was lost while its owner was walking his dog. For the uninitiated, a Hublot Big Bang Watch retails for more than most people earn in a year!

The insurers had refused to pay out on the claim for the following reasons:

(i) that the watch insured was not a genuine Hublot Big Bang watch; and/or (ii) that the "owner" had not acquired lawful title to it (iii) whether it had a genuine value at £46,000 (iv) whether it had been genuinely lost.

In making its decision the Royal Court clarified a number of legal points of vital concern to cases concerning insurable interests and matters of Jersey contract law in general. For people insuring their belongings and making claims when those items are stolen, the case raises some interesting points too.

Firstly, the Court confirmed that the duty of 'utmost good faith' exists in insurance contracts in Jersey law. It said that this was "the established market understanding of such contracts and because, as a practical matter, insurance contracts, of all contracts, require that the parties act with good faith towards each other."

The Court stated that this means the person taking out insurance must be very careful not to deceive the insurer in any way, no matter how slight a "concealment or deception" might be. "Any material misrepresentation made by the insured to the insurer at the time of entering into the contract will entitle the insurer to avoid liability under the contract."

Secondly, the Court considered whether, under Jersey law, it was possible to deny an assumption implied when making a contract. The plaintiff argued that as the insurer had accepted a valuation of the watch and his premium, it was assumed by both parties that he owned the watch and that it was genuine. The Court said that this principle would not necessarily apply in the island, because it wasn't part of Jersey law.

So where does all this leave the reader with a jewellery box full of baubles to insure?

It may sound like common sense, but do buy expensive items from reputable dealers. The internet is a tempting place but buyers are advised to use caution when a Rolex Oyster at \$24.99 seems too good to be true.

Keep receipts. Binning those annoying curly pieces of small ribbon could be the difference between a successful claim and a costly rejection letter. Take the item for regular updated valuations from reputable sources, preferably with photographs of the item from various angles attached. Keep notes of all serial numbers and where they are located (this proved to be the undoing of the Plaintiff's expert in the case).

If you do lose an item, report it to the police immediately. You never know, it may be handed in and even if it isn't, although it doesn't prove that you lost the item, it is more often than not a requirement under your policy of insurance.

@littlejoesurf (Joe Davies)

Surfing since he was 14, Joe's worked his way up from early lessons at Atlantic Waves with a board from a car boot sale, to winning his first open at the age of 17 and competing on a longboard in the World Championships. When he's not surfing, you'll find him running his surf shop, Little Joe's (next to Big Vern's) and planning new surf classes for surf groms. And despite traveling the world with his longboard, from Costa Rica to Australia, Joe still thinks Jersey has some great surfing... 'We get great waves here, I think we've got some of the best beach break waves in Britain, it just depends on whether we've got the swell or not'.

Hi Joe! It's our adrenaline issue – when was your most adrenaline-inducing moment?
Getting a surf spot in Australia 'Kirra' at 6-8ft and perfect in 2009... On a longboard.

Sounds amazing. Where's your favourite surf spot?
Cutty Sark.

Worst wipeout? – go on, don't spare the gory details...
Hit a live reef in Indonesia, shredded my back, lime juice used as a cut cleaner.

Ouch... So, after a hard day catching waves, what's your perfect post-surf snack?
Big Vern's chicken nuggets and chips.

Ok Joe, on to the really deep questions now... what was your most embarrassing moment?
Jumping off a boat with some of my surfing heroes watching. I had my leash wrapped around the railing. Hilarity ensued.

Gallery can imagine. Quickfire round coming up.
Favourite book?
Lord of the Rings.

Earliest memory?
Helping my Dad 'move' fruit in the market.

What objects do you always carry with you?
My Nokia 1209 (3310 upgrade) and a pen behind my ear.

Tell us a secret...
Err... then it wouldn't be a secret!

What scares you?
My girlfriend.

What would your superpower be?
I'd like to control the elements (think a male Storm from X-Men - without the catsuit).

What's your worst habit?
Sniffing my top lip.

Where – apart from Jersey of course – would you like to live?
Costa Rica!

Most over-used phrase?
'Cup of tea?'

Milk, no sugar thanks... Oh, we're still interviewing?
Complete this phrase: 'If I hadn't become a surfer I'd be...'
...a chemist - actually using my degree.

And lastly, what's the most important lesson life has taught you?
When life gives you lemons, make lemonade.

About Little Joe's

Little Joe's Surf Shop runs a surf school with surf camps for ages 5-7 as well as 8-14. It's aimed at giving the kids some fun while getting them more confident in the water. The surf camps start at the end of July, but there are also surf lessons, birthday parties and team building events which run through the season.

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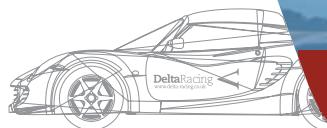
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Gallery Rally

words | Wendy Balderson



Do you yearn for some fun and adventure in your life? Do you crave adrenaline and fierce but friendly competition? Are you sociable and enjoy crazy challenges? More importantly, do you want to do something good to help Jersey Hospice? If so, then why on earth weren't you on this year's Gallery Rally to Monaco?

Twenty spotlessly gleaming cars, (some more sexy and sporting than others) gathered outside The Royal Yacht Hotel on Friday the 10th of June to await their drivers; a curious mix of Rally Virgins looking as pure and clean as their cars and Old Time Rally Pros, sounding as hard and fierce as their grinding, exhaust-popping machines.

As the cars drove sedately under the rally archway and towards the harbour, the first clue was handed to each driver and the Gallery Rally 2011 was off! The name of the game: to drive from Jersey to Monaco over four days, stopping in beautiful locations en route and finding answers to cryptic clues along the way. It is not a race, strange as it sounds. You don't have to drive the car like Jenson Button to win the rally, but you do have to love driving! Each team (or car) has to accumulate as many points as possible each day. Extra points are awarded along the way for various 'extra-curricular' activities. This year, we had to build a model Eiffel Tower,

do a huge word search, and complete an uber-challenging scavenger hunt. Do you know where you could find a cricket ball or a Harrods bag in Southern France on a Bank Holiday Monday? David Hall and Nigel Hurst; we salute you (nah, we hate you!).

The rally culminates with a gala dinner and a night in a five star hotel in a stunning European city. Monaco proved to be an appropriately glitzy and glamorous location to celebrate an awesome 50k being raised for Hospice, as well as an opportunity for the drivers to bask in their glorious (or inglorious) rally moments and lap up the 30 degrees sunshine by the pool.

This year's rally winners were Garry Taylor and Mike Nolan (well done boys!); both of them rally veterans who appear to have that necessary gift of thinking through the clues quietly and thoroughly as well as a cheery indifference to their competitive counterparts who race around like lunatics! If you want to get a fuller flavour of

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My 2011 rally highlight has to be seeing a little lad nearly fall off his swing as he raced indoors shouting, 'Papa! Papa! T'as vu les belles voitures? Vitel!' as an orange Lamborghini, a Porsche, an Audi R8 and a Ferrari 'quietly' snaked through a little French village. And in case you thought it was all about competition and code breaking, an extremely kind rally driver gave two younger competitors his Ferrari for the day whilst he took the wheel of their slightly less super car! Class!

Next year's destination has yet to be announced, but it's sure to be somewhere hot and sunny. I'll be on the starting blocks for sure. I hope to see you there!



The Itex Rotary Walk 2011.

Around the Island : 18/06/11

That time of year has thankfully been and passed, when brave walkers who don't mind the odd toenail falling off (or blisters the size of small satsumas) walked a tremendous 48.1 miles around Jersey. With a staggering 1,200 people starting off at 3am most were in high spirits, not too put off by the thought of high winds and torrential rain. The first few across

the finishing line managed to complete the course in under 9 hours, and the first and second across the line ran most of the distance. We managed to find out that to keep the walkers and helpers going 12,336 bottles of water along with 6,966 cartons of fruit juice were needed as well as a lot of snacks - a total of 1,236 packets of crisps, 1,000 bananas, 300 Mars

bars and 20 jumbo packets of jelly babies and fruit pastilles. Well done to everyone who finished this year and all the best for next year too.

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Baker Tilly Corporate Golf Day La Moye Golf Club : 17/06/11



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Blessing of the Bosdet St Brelade's Church : 12/06/11



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purchase cost. Bosdet was originally owned by the States of Jersey, Fire and Rescue Service but had reached its operational life span and was to be retired from carrying out rescues in extreme conditions. Members of the Fire and Rescue Service have given up their free time to carry out

repairs and maintenance on Bosdet to ensure that she is completely sea worthy and will give years of reliable service to the club. Bosdet will now go on to serve the local community by providing safety cover for local sea swims and other aquatic events.

Liberty Apartments by BridgeStreet 3rd Anniversary Party Liberty Apartments : 10/06/11



The event was attended by clients and guests as a thank you for their support since the building opened in 2008. The party took on a tropical theme, Caribbean steel drum music from Steely D, a delicious BBQ supplied by Jersey Pottery all contributed to create a very special day for them

and their party guests. BridgeStreet managing director, Stephen Hanton and property General Manager, Simone Steins both commented "We were delighted so many of our clients and guests attended our third birthday party regardless of the inclement weather on the day. We wanted to

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There was dancing, drummers and lots of excitement and entertainment going on outside the Jersey Telecom Queen Street store. Crowds of people gathered, all keen to be the ones to get their hands on the

first Jersey Live tickets. As well as getting everyone in the party mood for the festival itself, the event raised £600 for Teenage Cancer Trust. Lots of tickets were sold and there were plenty of customers taking

advantage of the offer where all they need to do is upgrade their contract and they get a free Jersey Live Ticket. Make sure you get yours now while stocks last for this offer!

Opening of the new iQ Apple Store iQ: 18/06/11



The new iQ store has finally opened much to everyone's excitement. Moving to a bigger premises has enabled them to take in more stock

(more iPads fingers crossed) and help more customers - who were all queuing up from 7am trying to get their hands on some Apple goodies.

Tim Evans director of the store said he was 'really pleased with the turn out and excited to see what the future holds'. Good luck iQ!

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To officially mark the launch of the Merton Suites, Lee Durrell has unveiled a bronze sculpture of Jambo, the famous Lowland Gorilla, in the grounds of the Merton Hotel. David Seymour successfully bid for the sculpture at auction in the UK last October, as part of the Percentage for Art scheme. He firmly believes it will be a tangible, visually exciting and interactive link for guests and patrons of the Merton Hotel. The sculpture is a poignant reminder of the incident that brought Jambo 'the gentle giant' to the eyes of the world's media in 1986 when Levan Merrit, aged just five years old, fell into the gorilla enclosure. Jambo protected the injured young Levan until he could be rescued. Sculptor, David Cemnick, wished to capture the essence of this landmark moment in a statue.

The statue helps celebrate the work of Durrell, of which Seymour Hotels has been a long established Corporate Partner. The Durrell-related names of the individual Suite types and their combinations (Dodo, Durrell, Jambo and Trinity) were chosen following a competition amongst Seymour Group staff.

About the suites

If you have friends, family or business associates looking to visit Jersey? Would they enjoy the flexibility of staying in a stylish apartment plush with the latest mod cons but with the added bonus of luxury hotel facilities? Could they possibly be looking to travel as a group? In short, would they like a modern 'home-from-home' which included that holiday feeling?

Well, what seems impossible is now pos-

sible! As part of Seymour Hotels' ongoing investment in Jersey's tourism industry, they are proud to announce the opening of the new 'Merton Suites'; a brand new serviced self-catering development providing the perfect place for families and couples on holiday; business visitors to the Island or simply anyone who is looking for flexible, stylish accommodation that offers independent living and true value for money in the heart of Jersey.

The Merton Suites, next to the Merton Hotel, provide 28 units of contemporary accommodation with bedroom area, kitchen facilities, living space and private south facing balcony. Although each suite is self-contained, groupings of up to three individual units can interconnect and are therefore ideally suited for large family reunions or individual families wishing to holiday together.

All Merton Suite guests can enjoy the added benefit of the different restaurants, bars, live entertainment and services of



the adjacent Merton Hotel at no extra cost. This includes free entrance to the Merton Aquadome and Leisure Club which features the Flowrider, the unique surf wave machine, the very first of its kind to be installed in the UK and Europe within a hotel complex.

David Seymour, Managing Director of Seymour Hotels, commented: "The Merton Suites were designed and built in direct response to a growing demand in the tourism industry for this type of accommodation. It is our first venture into the serviced apartment market and we confidently believe that the Merton Suites will significantly enhance and complement the offering the Group can provide for visitors to Jersey."

He continued: "The Merton Suites also provide guests with their own secure parking, bicycle storage and on-site laundry facilities. The units are all served by lift, stylishly furnished and equipped with free WiFi and the latest flat screen TV technology, including smart phone and laptop connectivity as well as free movies. Whilst the Merton Suites represent excellent value for money, the unique proposition is that users of the Suites have the added benefit of enjoying all the Merton's facilities, restaurants and bars which are right on their door step. The freedom, flexibility and privacy of the complex also make it an appealing proposition for business people who may be in the Island on short term contract and who might prefer a more independent style of living than being based in a hotel."

www.seymourhotels.com/MertonHotel/

Jono's Watersports Beachwear Fashion Show Sugareef St Brelade : 11/06/11



Sugareef was full to the brim with pretty young things all keen to see the latest collections in at Jono's Watersports Surf Shop on the Slipway next to the Wayside Cafe at St Brelade. Gorgeous girls strutted their stuff in new season

bikinis whilst handsome surfer-type male models rocked the catwalk armed with skateboards and surfboards. Huge cheers started going up and the crowds saw their favourite models appearing, with showstopping hair created by Aruba.

The event inevitably turned into a great party that went on into the early hours with everyone celebrating the success of the show.

Relaunch of Penny Feathers Salon Capelli Hair Salon : 18/06/11



Penny was happy to welcome clients old and new to the launch of the new Pennyfeathers beauty salon. During the afternoon clients enjoyed champagne, cupcakes and packed goody bags whilst relaxing in the new look, much bigger

salon and meeting the new team of skin care therapists Kayleigh and Rebecca. The event was a huge success with lots of regular clients joining us whilst we also welcomed many new clients that will help to continue the success of

the salon. Penny was proud of all the effort put in by the team and really enjoyed seeing the reactions of people on the new look. Pennyfeathers new information can be found online at www.penny-feathers.co.uk

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This has been our philosophy since we waved goodbye to Jersey-town. We have never used the world-renowned 'Lonely Planet', mainly for that reason.... It is world renowned. Why would you want to leave a western culture, fly halfway across the world and then use a western guide book that every other westerner is using, and therefore follow the western tourist trail around South East Asia? It makes no sense to me. We travelled for a few days with some Yanks who wouldn't even go for dinner without consulting their precious 'LP'. Needless to say, our sightseeing partnership didn't last long. Explore for God's sake, we said. Losers plan it.

Each time we set foot on foreign soil, we follow one golden rule: just ask the locals. There are countless experiences that were only possible because we followed the advice of the indigenous. Arriving in Sumatra we had the name of a guest house, and that was it. But soon we were happily sauntering off to Bukit Lawang to explore jungle territory on the advice of a lovely Indonesian at 'Angel' Guest House in Medan. Sumatra is very similar to India as it has a huge Muslim population, areas that are very poor, and it is considered courtesy for women to cover up. Now that is fine, but the 37 degree heat just makes you want to get naked. Regardless, we conformed to culture, kitted up in our only long-sleeved and legged attire and sweated our way into the rainforest.

I think that the people of Sumatra are the friendliest that I have yet encountered on this trip. They truly look after you. Of course, you need to be careful not to become too friendly with the locals or they will somehow come to believe that you wish to spend the rest of your years with them in holy matrimony (the men I mean). Still, very friendly.

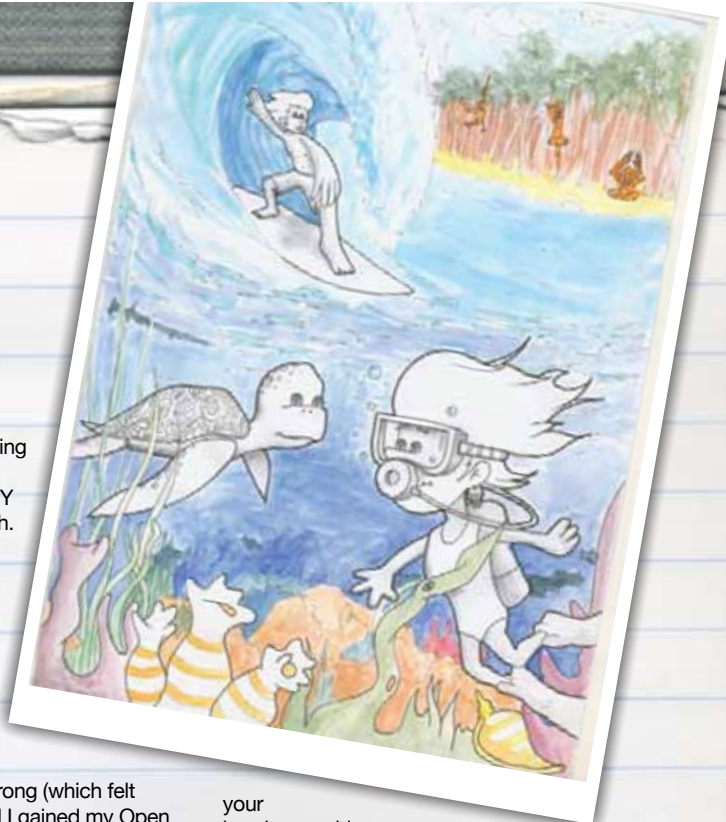
Anyway, we had spent our first week in Sumatra trekking through the jungle looking like two sun-starved Mowglis. Our first sighting of the gigantic orange-furred beings called orangutans was unreal. A mother and a baby spotted us, and swung over to investigate who was in their jungle. They came about two metres from us, and then vanished back into the trees as quick as they had arrived. It was amazing. On our trek, we saw a total of twelve Orangutans, three Black Gibbons and a dozen Komodo Dragons, all wild in the forest. Trekking through the beautiful jungle, we sang along with the locals, drinking beer and playing cards underneath a canopy of stars as we set up camp for the night. It really was one of the best things I have ever done. Sleeping on the jungle floor, learning herbal remedies, watching swinging Orangs follow us through

the jungle, and finally rafting down the Bukit Lawang rapids. 'RUBBER DINGHY RAPIDS, BRO'. Ahh, yeah.

After a long bus ride, a short flight and a lot of sleep, I was floating around the underwater world like some kind of technofied mermaid. Stunning. My rubbish ear canals had prevailed and therefore I had proved my doctor wrong (which felt like I defied science), and I gained my Open Water certificate. If you have any kind of fear of the big blue, I urge you to go scuba diving. As soon as you see what lies below that creepy, mystical, dark layer of liquid, you suddenly feel safe. It's only Nemo and his mates, after all. I've housed a horrible, yet clearly rational, fear of deep water ever since childhood (thanks to 'Jaws'). Even deep pools scared me (courtesy of James Bond). But since taking a tank down there, swimming around for a bit, floating and examining just how big them fishies actually are, I'm alright now. It's kind of like when you learn that you can pick up jellyfish up with the palm of your hand. You're not scared of them anymore because you know them. It's the same with the sea, once you know it, you're not afraid.

It was strange arriving in Bali and actually having a mirror again. I remember actually jumping back when I saw myself, 'who the HELL is that?' I thought. It's amusing how the image of yourself you have in your head, and the actual reality of what you look like can be completely, COMPLETELY opposite sometimes.

Bali is swarming with Aussies. Literally. It is an honest pleasure to hear an English accent here. An unexpected surprise. A rare beauty. Not that I have a problem with Aussies, I don't at all. In fact I've only actually encountered three Australians this whole trip. Well, until now. Bali has become very touristy and very Aussie, equivalent of our 'Costa del...' holiday package deals, if you get what I mean. Of course there are the places you can visit where rice fields stretch for miles, and kids are all racing around trying to get their kites to fly in the limited Bali breeze (it's a daily ritual). I swear none of these kids go to school. Look up, and you will see the aqua sky littered with kites of all different shapes and sizes. It makes them closer to God, they say. Anyway, we quickly left Kuta, home of the Bogins (look it up), and travelled up to a lovely little town called Ubud to visit the monkey reserve. This is essentially a beautiful place where you buy a bunch of bananas and monkeys suddenly sprout from every direction, pouncing at you, and climbing on



your head, wrenching your hair out and generally abusing you until you reluctantly part with your \$2 purchase, surrendering the whole bunch out of blind panic and fear, to one big fat daddy monkey that you just don't want to mess with.

We floated across to the Gili Islands and embarked on a series of beach bum days which passed lazily, occasionally donning a mask to go and see some of the magnificent and humongous sea turtles which were sunbathing in the shallows. Chilling out with the locals, we soon realized that the Indonesians really do enjoy a group jamming session, and will whack out a guitar at any given point of the day expecting you to hold a tune to their plucking. It is funny how this is simply not something that us English folk do. Unless steaming drunk, or extraordinarily talented, we just don't feel comfortable belting out a tune. Simply not our way, is it? I have to say, it took me and Niema a few beers and a serious consequence analysis before we parted with our dignity and let our inner Celine Dion out.

Maybe it's because our English blood curdles as soon as we feel a cliché approaching. Campfire, guitar, group of people singing together? Sends ripples of mortification up my spine it does. So, I guess t'was a shame the only songs we knew all the words to were Oasis. Ironic, huh.

So, back to the beach. Soon the dreaded 'check my bank account' time will arrive. Then the same process as before, I will fathom a new destination, and so shall begin the next article. I hope the weather's nice back home.

Want to know more about Jessy's trip?

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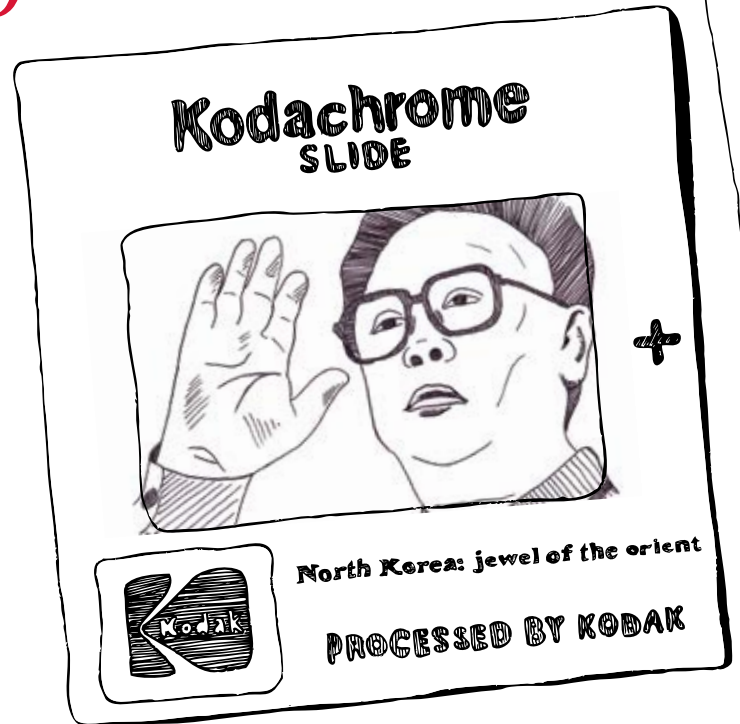
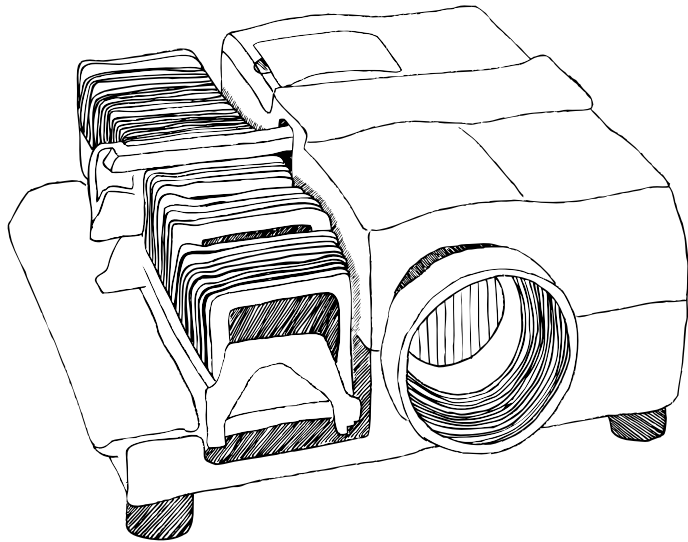
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Not So Lonely Planet: *extreme holidays*

Words | **Enrique Quesadilla**, Gallery's Travel Agent
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Exotic holidays used to be something you could brag about, but the era of cheap flights and easy visas means that there's precious few places you can visit that will raise an eyebrow at a dinner party any more. Even Bruce Parry probably finds people yawning at his latest anecdote about bamboo willy pipes and hallucinogenic caterpillar burritos, so you really need to push the rickety wooden boat out if you want some cool stories to tell your friends, co-workers and whoever is at the end of that latex-covered arm in the little room at the airport.

Luckily for you aspiring globetrotters, help is at hand. Don't bother with Thomas Cook, and bin that copy of The Rough Guide, because I'm here to give you the lowdown on the far-flung destinations that will provide you with a bottomless reservoir of unbeatable traveller's tales. Nobody will give a toss about Steve's dodgy tummy in Goa or that time Marcus did the bull-run in Pamplona, because they'll be too busy hanging on your every word as you retell your adventures in places so weird and backwards they make Guernsey look like the city in Blade Runner. What's even better is that you'll still get away with the ridiculous exaggeration that once characterised the best travelling tales - people may have stopped taking "accidental ladyboy in Thailand" stories seriously around 2001, but few people know enough about Slovenia to call you a liar when you tell them you paid to watch three naked men erotically wrestling a horse. Here's my top picks for unusual trips - hopefully Gallery will print some exchange rates and a legal disclaimer at the bottom in case anybody gets kidnapped by crocodiles or eaten by pirates. I want you to have a good time, but I don't want Anne Robinson to damage her last remaining facial muscle by talking about me on Watchdog.

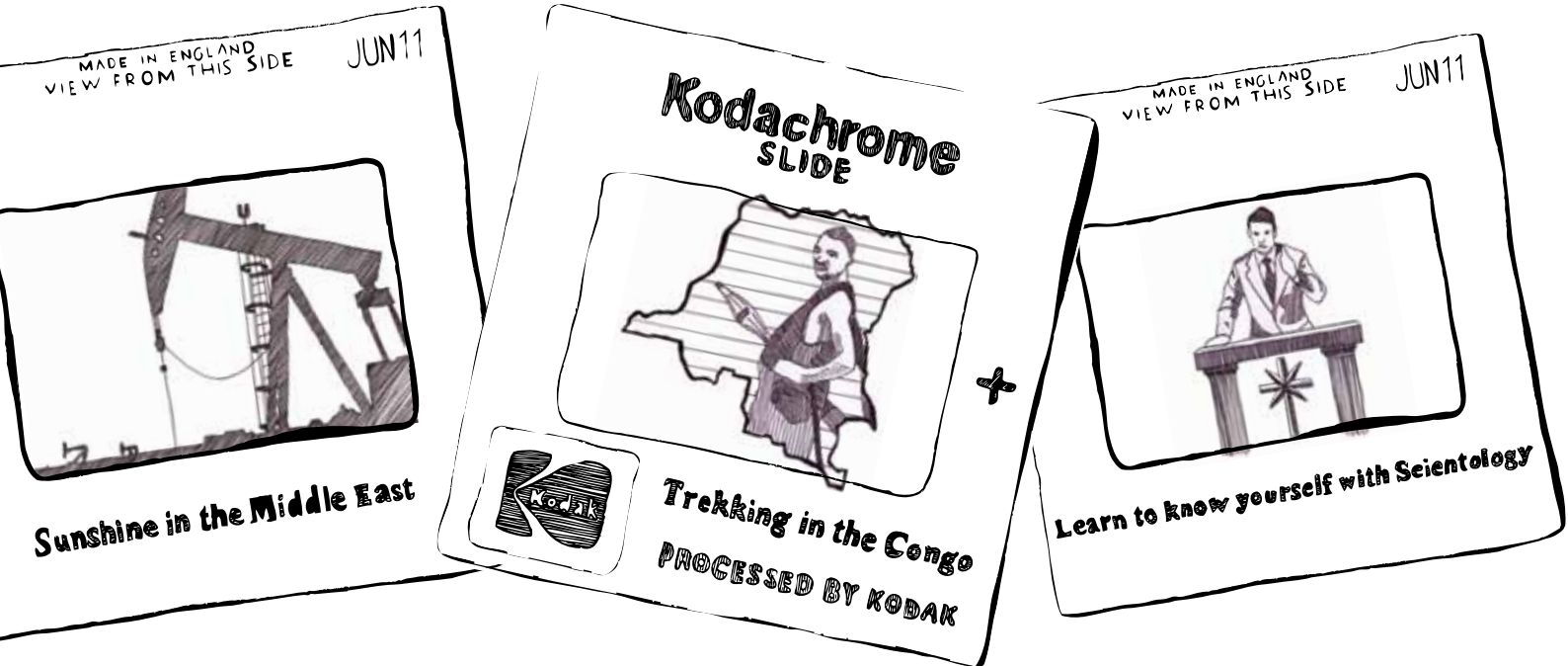
North Korea: Jewel of the Orient

As a longtime fan of the tiny, fluffy-haired dictators of our world, I've always dreamed of visiting the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. I yearn to experience the crumbling concrete majesty of Pyongyang, the enduring subtleties of North Korean propaganda art and enjoy the splendid banquets that are spontaneously presented to visitors unfortunate enough to live in the impoverished capitalist world, yet fortunate enough to be travelling with a BBC camera crew.

Providing you can avoid being kidnapped, brainwashed and (for the ladies) coerced into an unhappy life as the sex slave of a tubby midget grandpa, North Korea is guaranteed to be an unmissable trip. You'll get to see the mass games, a kind of North Korea's Got Talent with a cast of tens of thousands, and perhaps stay in the Ryugyong hotel, a hideous concrete structure which resembles the background skyline of a bad video game and has been under haphazard construction since 1987. A holiday in Krazy Kim's atomic powered Disneyland will provide plenty of memories, and you'll need them, because if you ever want to describe Korea to anybody not holding a stun gun it might be unwise to do much unsupervised photography. Bon voyage, try not to have too much fun!

Sunshine in the Middle East

For the ageing hippies that spawned my ungrateful generation, few budget holidays were more enjoyable than the experience of working on an Israeli kibbutz. Participants would return to Europe with a taste for hummus, an appreciation of the complexity of cucumber growing and a treasure trove of anecdotes concerning the virtues of communal living. There are plenty of traditional kibbutzes still out there, but the modern visitor needs to be careful where they end up in the Holy Land - people will be less impressed to hear you spent your summer bunking up with a bunch of Uzi-wielding zealots and planting avocados amidst the wreckage of a bulldozed hospital in the West Bank.



Of course, if religious extremists are your thing, you'll have plenty of fun backpacking through the majority of the region - just be careful to check up on which dictators our governments are trying to topple and which ones we're propping up in order to subcontract our torturing and sell us cheap oil. Like exchange rates, this can fluctuate on a daily basis, so look smart unless you want to be telling your anecdotes via camcorder testimony sent to CNN.

Trekking in the Congo

Africa truly is an unmissable destination for any traveller - it's just a shame that jaded backpackers are getting bored of the wildlife of the Serengeti, the majesty of Victoria Falls and the breathtaking inland deltas of Botswana. Worry not, because you can go one better by following in the footsteps of our ancestors, by which I mean the white Europeans whose dogged pursuit of gold, minerals and slaves helped mould parts of modern Africa into the exhilarating hotspots they are today.

Your friends might be able to boast of time spent in amidst natural beauty of Tanzania, maybe exploring the sandy vistas of Namibia, but real adrenalin seekers are booking a flight to the Democratic Republic of Congo - a country invaded so many times that its borders are drawn in pencil on the map. There aren't a lot of internet cafes, yoga classes or full moon parties, but any currency that you don't spend on bribing bloodthirsty militias and corrupt police officers will probably buy you a lot more banana pancakes than you'd get in Bali or Koh Phangan. Who knows, you might have enough change left over to purchase a shipment of Kalashnikovs, a bauxite mining operation and possibly even your own group of crazed paramilitaries to machete the locals if they don't put enough ice in your G&T.

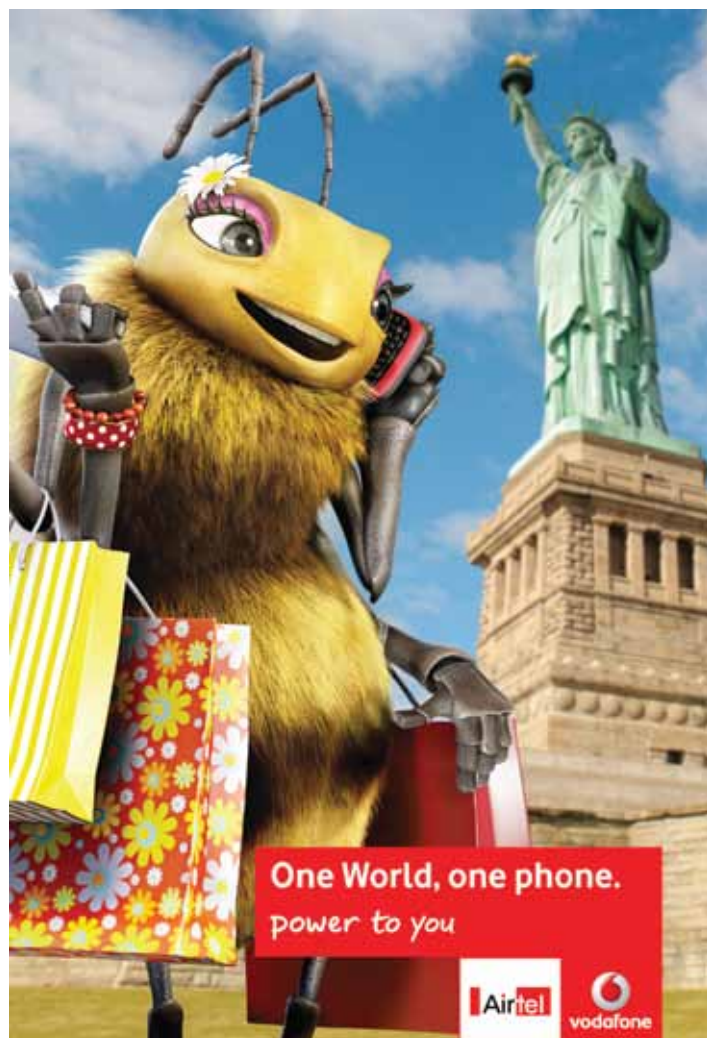
Learn to know yourself with Scientology

Not everybody is comfortable visiting the developing world, but that doesn't mean you should be denied the chance to enjoy the kind of profound spiritual awakening that rich white people experience whilst patronising the inhabitants of India. Your inner child needs nurturing, and possibly spanking, but maybe you just don't like the idea of mixing with poor people in order to do it.

That's where Scientology comes in, a religious experience for the type of person who doesn't mind buying their way to a higher state of consciousness. My lawyers and a threatening postcard from Tom Cruise tell me that it's probably unwise to speculate about exactly what Scientologists believe, but according to an episode of South Park it has something to do with a giant atomic volcano and a galactic overlord named Xenu. I'm sure that can't possibly be true, so please don't tell John Travolta where I live.

You can learn all these secrets and and more by taking your holidays in a luxurious, air-conditioned Scientology facility in California, where trained staff will be on hand to relieve you of your psychiatric medications, fears and chequebooks. You'll discover a new you, a new world, all by studying the writings of a science-fiction author who allegedly believed that mankind was descended from clams.

The only problem with your Scientology vacation is that you won't really be encouraged to talk about it, outside telling your friends that it's something wonderful and mysterious that they absolutely need to experience for themselves. And that's what I'm telling you, in the hope that Kirsty Alley will calm down and take her foot off my neck.





Anisha goes East

Qatar

words | Anisha Shah

A fresh-faced Filipino girl leads me to the till at Kuwait airport duty free, armed with my boarding pass, remaining Kuwaiti Dinaar and, now, three new perfumes for my collection. Inhaling a floral perfume jolts me to life like a sting of electricity, a flashback of imminent normality; an ironic ending to an extraordinary journey. 'You work in Kuwait?' asks the bubbly salesgirl in a high-pitched tone. 'Holiday,' I reply. Thinking she's misheard, she repeats the question. I explain my holiday to Qatar, Bahrain and Kuwait. Completely bewildered by the concept of 'holidaying' there, she giggles to her colleague in Filipino, 'these crazy people spent money to holiday here!'

That pretty much sums up the trip; resistance, reluctance and refusals from the outset. Three separate travel agents did their best to deter me, emphasising 'little to see but sand and oil refineries.' Literally translated, I aspired to the challenge. But, looking back, I wonder if I took it too far. Now, at the end of a gruelling journey the high, of being unwittingly wired on surging adrenaline, surviving solely on nervous energy, becomes a fading light. I start to come down, fast. Drawing my first breath

anticipating a return to familiarity and safety, my shoulder muscles begin to loosen. My legs bow under the pressure. Energy's bleeding out of me like a cut vein; more like dusk dawning than a mist unveiling. Every ounce of trauma, tension and shock that have become my companions, and only familiar constants of the journey, now sets in and takes grip. An intoxicating cocktail of messy emotions blur my head; disappointment that it's over, panic, even. How to return to 'normality'? Yet I'm relieved and humbled by such incredible memories that many would never comprehend, let alone experience. Drained and emotional, I struggle to understand how a seven hour flight can transport me 'home', so near but light years apart. Nowhere remains sacred and untouched, it seems everywhere is just a flight away. I'm suddenly reminded of an interview with a soldier, returned from war and at counselling. I begin to understand his struggle to integrate into a 'normal' life, craving a return to the front-line. I wonder if danger can be an addiction, as any other. 'The trip was real,' I pinch myself. Sheer exhaustion snaps me out of thought. Unable to process any of it in this state, pained to even think back to events, I take my purchases and am resigned to the flight home, paralysed and disconnected.

Thing is, I'm a journalist by nature, the profession just followed. I'm intrigued, to a fault, and find myself drawn to trouble; as much in my personal life as professionally. Those that know me will only agree, so I'm being very frank. That, coupled with a fierce desire to

explore largely unknown territory, forms an instinct so powerful, I simply can't not act. What I learned on this trip was just how far I was willing to go and who else I'd drag into the firing line. I now see how the delicately fine line between extreme curiosity and unsurpassable risk gets blurred. I wonder if it's a quandary every journalist experiences, or every human, even. I explore that dilemma on this distinctive journey...

Qatar, my first destination, is underlined by simmering anticipation of Bahrain. Violence breaks out again as I've two days to go. The forces open fire on mourners commemorating their loved ones killed in earlier shootings. Sensitivity is heightened and tensions peak. I try to focus on the country at hand.

The Ritz-Carlton is my kind of hotel; classic, ornate and traditionally opulent. A little large, but I retain the exclusivity, in the way most things are done in the Arab world, by paying for it. Club level is pure whimsy; separate floor accessible only by Club card, private top-floor members' lounge with sweeping views of the Ritz's own marina out to sea, an exclusive (and complimentary) bar and table service with gourmet food on demand and an exclusive level of service where nothing is too much effort. Small touches in my sumptuous suite are enamouring, as I arrive, fatigued, to a rose-filled bubble-bath, heart-shaped petals strewn on the bed and a bottle of champagne with platter of exotic dates. Heaven begins here.

The view is stark yet honest; modern skyscrapers, sand dunes and construction, all shrouded in a sandy mist. Qatar is Dubai's silent rival. Development is evolving at a frighteningly rapid pace, despite entire new neighbourhoods being uninhabited; the oil revolution continues. Doha marina boasts walking advertisements. Picture-perfect British families stroll peacefully in the sunshine, beaming a hassle-free lifestyle, young children laughing and playing, relishing a good quality of life. Crime is minimal and tax-free salaries average £70k per annum; all the trappings of a 'good' life. Five days is enough for me.

It takes me back to Dubai ten years ago, pre-stampede, when I could relax there. Qatar, now, has that air of elite sophistication that I almost cherish, but it seems desperate to shatter this image.

Finding true local life in Qatar is like soul-mining, an epic feat, and I get annoyed constantly being directed to 'The Pearl,' Qatar's direct equivalent of Dubai's 'Palm'. 400 hectares of reclaimed land, dubbed 'the Middle East's most glamorous location'. It's a gleaming new waterfront development of designer boutiques, upscale bars, Michelin restaurants, five star hotels, three marinas and pricey luxury apartments, with more shops than people. Doha offers ease of life, yet ironically feels uncomfortable. Think



expensive new shoes; shiny and polished but not yet a second skin. There's a constant anticipation. The city's a debutante; prepped, preened and ready for the social season.

It takes me back to Dubai ten years ago, pre-stampede, when I could relax there. Qatar, now, has that air of elite sophistication that I almost cherish, but it seems desperate to shatter this image.

Evesdropping (I know it's rude!) on a conversation whilst dining in the ultra-prestigious Club Lounge, a fascinating discussion ensues with an American businessman. With a child-like enthusiasm and excitability, much like myself, and links to the Emir of Qatar, H.H Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, he discloses the country's avant-garde aims of being the next sporting, financial and cultural crown of the Middle East. I had heard all the World Cup 2022 stadia might be temperature-controlled, a fact that's duly confirmed, as I overhear two English businessmen perfecting their presentation to bid for the contract to build all twelve stadia. The Club Lounge is pulsating with business energy. Perhaps not so incongruous, as one guest lets slip that the palatial mansion hotel is actually owned by the ruler. He even recalls an urgent meeting being called on international security when guests were removed from rooms and banned from the club suite. With a little persuasion, a member of staff quietly confirms this, saying it happens more than ten times a year. He describes the difficulty of appeasing angered guests without exposing the reason.

Sport is a big opportunity for Qatar, one it'll exploit ruthlessly and at any cost; having recently hosted the Asian Games, World Indoor Athletics Championships last year, Asian Football Cup in January and whilst I'm there, the Tennis Ladies Open, with players staying at my hotel. Getting into the lift with international female tennis stars is awkwardly amusing, particularly as I've no idea who most are.

So where do locals socialise in Qatar? Isn't it apt, I think, as I wander 'Souq Waqif', that people really do spend evenings eating 'Shawarma' (kebabs) and smoking 'Sheesha' (Arabic waterpipe). The cleanest, safest and most hassle-free market I've ever visited; I'm not even offered to be traded in for camels. Turns out, it's an old souq knocked down and replaced with an old-looking new one. It shows. Still, the heady aroma of spices and herbs waft down the labyrinth of alleyways as men with creased faces in

white turbans wheel barrows of concrete along the desert rock-coloured winding ways. Riotous bursts of sequinned sarees shimmer in the night lights, hanging outside tatty haberdasheries. I come face-to-face with an Arab laboriously stirring a giant steel vat of Arabic sweet, unphased by thick plumes of white smoke and the alluring smell of ghee. From the plethora of Sheesha cafes, more common here than pubs at home, I head to a roof terrace and people-watch while sipping a smooth rich Arabic coffee. Sienna, ochre and rust hues flirt in the spotlights below. Intermittently, the rumble of Arabic chatter is disturbed by a distant minaret bellowing a melodic call to prayer, floating over the city. Like a giant chess board, women in a sea of long black 'Abbayas' hover around men in princely white gowns and head-dresses. Ladies expose their wealth only through glimpses of diamante designer heels and chunky diamonds. On the final day I head straight to the spa for a rejuvenating deep tissue massage and oxygenating facial. Luckily, I don't have to venture further than the club floor for the best seafood restaurant in Doha, Ritz-Carlton's 'La Mer,' boasting full-length views over the city lights. 'Porcini' is a slice of Milano on a plate; an authentic favourite, with delectable desserts of steeped tiramisu, rich panacotta and gooey chocolate fondant.

Qatar is emerging as defiantly permissive in contrast to its strict neighbouring countries. It's thoroughly modern and I'll be fascinated to see it in bloom. But it must discover its unique character and stop wagging its tail behind Dubai.

Next month: Anisha moves on to Bahrain



BEANS ABROAD

Words | Viv Pallot



Penny Whiley: The teacher with the 2,000 km classroom

Penny Whiley's day starts at first light when she wakes to the warbling of bush birds in the gum trees. It's 30C outside and set to rise to the mid-40s by lunchtime. The land is dry and dusty for hundreds of kilometres around, broken only by clusters of ancient rocks which change colour throughout the day. She says this landscape 'just cries out to be painted'. It hardly ever rains, but when it does the dormant landscape sprouts a dramatic carpet of verdant shrubs and the dried up riverbeds temporarily gush water once again.

This is the environment that has been Jerseywoman Penny's home for the past 18 years; the place she describes as the beating heart of Australia: Alice Springs. It throbs with activity compared to the previous ten years she spent in Tennant Creek, a mining town of the same desert, which is, as she points out, in the middle of nowhere. But it's all a very long way from the parish of Trinity where she grew up.

By 7.30 am Penny has arrived at the Centralian Senior College, which shares a campus with Charles Darwin University. Here she teaches English classes to the 15 – 18 year olds. Sometimes she is called upon to teach French at night classes and she laments the fact that most Australians don't realise the importance of learning other languages. Penny also happens to be the only Philosophy teacher in the entire Northern Territory and those students she is unable to teach face to face are linked via the use of interactive computer technology. She calls this her '2,000 km classroom' and her more remote pupils are spaced hundreds of kilometres apart in the vast area that spans Alice Springs in the centre of Australia to Darwin on the far north coast, and as far wide on either side. In earlier times, these pupils were taught via CB radio, but now Penny has availed herself of modern technology to transmit data over the desert and to interact with her protégées. She says that her role as a virtual teacher is never over and she often

meets with her students online during the evenings and at weekends. She recalls a wonderful moment last year chatting online with her pupils late one night - everyone dressed in pyjamas and discussing the meaning of life - and quips, 'This is education, Jim, but not as we know it!'.

Surprisingly, Penny confesses to being a Luddite (something of an irony when both her car's registration plate and her Avatar bear this moniker!). She admits to struggling with her mobile phone's technology, for instance. Yet in the past couple of years, not only did she familiarise herself with the computer technology encompassing many of Microsoft's products such as PowerPoint, Photo Story, Movie Maker, MSN Messenger, Excel and Word, but she also adapted and used this very technology to create a virtual classroom community allowing her 'to bring an older-style subject into the modern age'. As a result, she was nominated for Microsoft's Innovative Teacher Award and the computer giant flew her and other nominees as special guests to their Asia Pacific Conference in Phuket earlier this year. Despite her protestations that she's no IT whiz kid, she eclipsed fellow nominees much younger than herself and took home the award for the Northern Territory.

Coincidentally for Penny, the keynote speaker at the Phuket conference was Dr Willie Smits, the Dutch animal rights activist, microbiologist and forester who founded the Orangutan Outreach Center in Borneo. This subject has actually been close to Penny's heart for some years now and meeting Dr Smits was the catalyst for her visit to Borneo later this year to see for herself the damage caused by the pillage of palm trees for their oil, used extensively in food products, and the sterling work pioneered by Dr Smits in rescuing orphaned orangutans whose food source is consequently being decimated. So passionate is she about avoiding food containing palm oil that Penny is setting up a worldwide interactive project called 'Stop Eating the Rainforest' with recipes that are all palm oil-free. Proceeds from this project will go towards buying back the rainforest

and for the rescue and rehabilitation of abandoned orangutans.

Did I mention that she has also written a book of poems and short stories? She says she started 'fiddling around with poetry about ten years ago' and entered a few short story competitions in the interim. One of these stories won a prize and is incorporated in her book of poetry and short stories, 'Green Umbrellas' which has recently been published by Seaviewpress. The idea for the anthology stemmed from a story that her father, David Phillips, used to read to her many years ago at bedtime. It was he who designed the front cover of her book - a black and white sketch of an old French house with adjacent terrace, sporting the eponymous green (sun) umbrella. Penny has dedicated the book to him with the wry quote: 'For Dad, who used to read to me until you fell asleep'. Semi-autobiographical, comical and ironic, it is also a vehicle in which she explores thought-provoking issues, her memories of Jersey and the family left behind.

What does she miss the most from the Island? Apart from family, of course, she really misses our seasons. Although Alice Springs gets cold during winter (often dropping below zero degrees), snowdrops and daffodils don't grow there (the latter being an exotic luxury, flown in from the coastal cities!). Being something of a seafood aficionada, Penny fondly recalls our fish market with its displays of chancres crabs and fresh mackerel. Her nostalgia is best summed up though in the final lines from her poem 'Inland Sea', the last one to appear in her book and where she describes the dust bowl of the Northern Territory being transformed by rain :-

"For it has not rained in this Inland Sea
For many months.
But now the red earth opens
To swallow and swill the nourishing rain,
Leaving a newly cleansed land
Which smells of vraic
From my childhood home.
I can almost taste the fresh crab..."

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The logo for the Spearpoint New Plays Project. It features a dark blue circle with a white stylized leaf icon and the word "Spearpoint" in white. Below this, the words "NEW PLAYS PROJECT" are written in white capital letters. The circle is surrounded by colorful, abstract geometric shapes in shades of blue, green, yellow, and orange.

**Spearpoint
New Plays Project**

Four locally written one-act plays,
Four UK directors,
Just one week to rehearse.

For one night only, enjoy the Gala Performance.
Saturday 30th July, 8pm, Jersey Arts Centre.

Tickets available from Jersey Arts Centre Box Office on 700444.

The logo for the Jersey Arts Centre. It features a large, stylized white letter 'a' on a dark grey background. Below the 'a', the words "JERSEY ARTS CENTRE" are written in white capital letters.

JERSEY ARTS CENTRE

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Artist studios with a view...

The Art House creative collective studios are new to the scene and house studios for eight local artists. The studio spaces have been put together by the Jersey Arts Trust with thanks also to Jersey Harbours.

These lucky artists are in a prime location at the harbour behind the old La Folie Pub. The artists can enjoy the views which are picturesque at times but the area retains a very industrial feel, so there is a definite edge to the space which really suits the diverse and current work the artists are creating.

Artists include Evil Spoons (aka James Carter) with his graphic design and graffiti style work, Rosalind Monks and her beautifully intricate illustrations, and Karen Le Roy Harris and her large scale drawings and installation work. The artists have already made friends with their fisherman neighbour Kevin - artist Pippa Barrow who creates detailed castings in bronze has already made a cast of his catch of the day.

Clare Ormsby has the space with the view as she creates beautifully intricate abstract paintings and 3D work. Clare shares a space with Matt Daly and his large scale portraiture and figurative painting and photography.

Last but not least... downstairs we have Peter John Thomson and his mixed media screen printed and stitched textile work and Joy Collie's painting and sculptural work.

A great mix of exciting work. Get in touch if you'd like to visit the space and the artists.

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The Art House
creative collective



Peter John Thomson's studio



Pippa Barrow's studio



Joy Collie's studio



Clare Ormsby's studio



Karen Le Roy Harris' studio



Rosalind Monks' studio



Evil Spoon's studio



Matt Daly's studio

Rococo Art & Gifts

Pioneer of local art



New store Rococo Art & Gifts has just opened at Liberty Wharf. Owner and Jersey local Chantal Gosselin is fulfilling a life-long ambition with the opening of the store which sells locally handmade and handcrafted products and offers locals and tourists a place to purchase products from talented Jersey artists. Chantal has also placed a lot of emphasis on the environment and sustainability and her store has been kitted out with almost all recycled products.

Chantal spoke of her store, "My aim for the shop is to promote local artists and designers and showcase the wonderful talent we have in Jersey. I am also keen to promote recycling and Fairtrade, so I buy consciously wherever I can. Many of my local suppliers use recycled materials, for example driftwood signs and mirrors and bags and jewellery made from recycled fabrics. I also have a range of tidal clocks, photo frames and tableware made from recycled coffee cups, which are extraordinarily popular with chaps! There's also a range of recycled glasses made from beer and wine bottles which is arriving as I speak!

Even my shop is a recycled venture, all my shop fittings came from second hand and charity shops and I painted them myself. My chandeliers are also 'rescued' from a second hand shop and rehabilitated to provide both décor and lighting."

As a result of Chantal's forward thinking and environmental concerns she has also qualified for the Jersey Eco Active business membership.

On show you'll find work from many local artists such as Ian Rolls, Rosemary Blackmore, Kathy Rondel, and Jane James and more than a dozen of the designers showcased carry the distinctive Genuine Jersey mark. The Chief Executive of Genuine Jersey, John Garton, said "The support for local producers from Rococo Art and Gifts will enable members to reach a wider market and to develop new products for the future. Chantal Gosselin is a real champion of local producers and an invaluable supporter for Genuine Jersey. For a store such as Rococo Art and Gifts to sell products produced in the Island is not just a boost for our members but for the local economy."

Get down there and grab yourself some local art!

✉ Rococo Art & Gifts
📍 Liberty Wharf

JERSEY OPERA HOUSE

showing this month

NT Live presents

The Cherry Orchard

ENCORE SCREENING - Wednesday 6th July
Chekhov's *The Cherry Orchard*, directed by NT Associate Director Howard Davies, whose recent productions of Russian plays (including *Philistines*, *Burnt by the Sun* and *The White Guard*) have earned huge critical acclaim. Zoë Wanamaker will play Madame Ranevskaya.

Motown's Greatest Hits – How Sweet It Is

Thursday 11th – Saturday 13th August

The ultimate celebration of the sweet sound of Motown is back by popular demand! In its ninth successive year this stunning 100% live show combines first class music together with the slickest choreography and an amazing band to deliver truly outstanding performances for the best Motown experience ever!

Rawlinson Hunter Gala Recital Evening with Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Dennis O'Neill & Michael Pollock

Saturday 20th August

Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, one of the world's most loved sopranos and recently recognised with a Lifetime Achievement in Music Award at the Classical Brit Ceremony in May 2010, is coming to Jersey. Saturday 20th August sees Dame Kiri, Dennis O'Neill, Michael Pollock and a selection of Master Class students perform a Gala Recital, open to the public.

Cirque Du Ciel's Shanghai

Monday 22nd –

Saturday 27th August

'Shanghai' is a two hour extravaganza that combines acrobatics, modern dance, original music, martial arts and many other Chinese elements in an adventure you will find amazing to believe and difficult to forget! With superb costumes, sets and lighting, this stunning production showcases the skills of not only the performers but the world class team behind the scenes. 'Shanghai' is the artistic collaboration between Theatre Productions International Ltd, Chinese producers and Cirque Du Soleil KA and Dralion director, Guy Caron.

Don't forget to check out the rest of our season and more, call the Box Office on 01534 511115 or go to our website www.jerseyoperahouse.co.uk

Artists couldn't contain themselves!



Containers painted by Matt Falle (left) and Ian Rolls (right)

Forty eight artists took over the Weighbridge for The Jersey Arts Trust Open Studios in June. An exhibition with a difference - the artwork was exhibited in shipping containers!

The containers, loaned by Huelin Renouf, drew a lot of attention as they were craned into the Weighbridge and artists began painting the exteriors.

Inside the containers, the work of 48 artists was hung, including an installation in the container floating overhead. The work was diverse; from textiles, ceramics and painting to drawing, jewellery and sculpture.

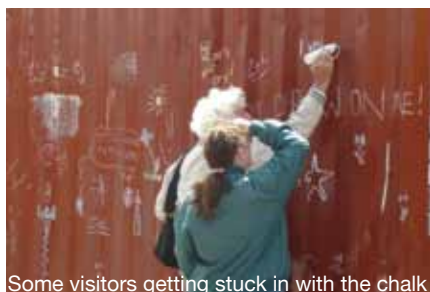
The idea of the exhibition was to raise the profile of local artists as well as providing a taster of the work of each of the artists taking part in Open Studios 2011.

During Open Studios, tourists and visitors alike were able to visit artists' studios all over the island, with the pocket guide maps provided so they could locate their favourite artists.

The exhibition was a real eye-opener for people to see the local talent available as well as a chance for you to speak directly with the artists and see where they work.

Project Manager, Karen Le Roy Harris commented, 'We had such a great response to the containers as they are so unusual. It was great to speak with people who had planned out their route and were making a weekend of it and really embraced the Open Studios event. Open Studios is something that grows each year so it can only get bigger and better.'

www.jerseyopenstudios.com



Some visitors getting stuck in with the chalk



Inside the container!



A busy preview!



Installation by Karen Le Roy Harris



Matt Daly's painted container



Corey Moore's container going on to pastures new...



Spearpoint New Plays Project confirms its selected writers & visiting directors

The Jersey Arts Trust is delighted to announce that, having received 35 entries into this year's Spearpoint New Plays Project, four plays have been selected for the project.

This year's winning writers are:

Ben Evans with 'A New Breed,' an abstract piece that creates its own world and language.

Hannah Patterson with 'Aid,' which is set in Africa and looks at inter-family relationships.

Leon Fleming with 'Dinner at Pharaoh's Table,' which is set in the Museum of Egyptian Antiquities during the recent uprising in Cairo.

And Martha MacDonald, who at only 14 is their youngest ever entrant and selected author, with 'Broken Record (Repeat to Fade),' which looks at longing and unrequited love.

The four plays will be produced in July by a team of actors led by four professional directors who have been recruited from London.

This year's directors are:

Natalie Ibu - a freelance Theatre Director, Producer, Dramaturg, Script Reader, Workshop Leader and Youth Theatre Director.

Andy Brunskill who has a first class degree in Drama and Physical Theatre. He was also a Trainee Director at the Orange Tree Theatre.

Rachel Grunwald - a freelance director with extensive experience in new writing including recent work 'Childsplay', an outdoor historical journey through children's play, and the UK premiere of the musical 'Pins and Needles' (Time Out's 'Hit of The Year on the Fringe 2010').

Kate Budgen completed an MFA in Theatre Directing at Birkbeck College in 2007 and has been Associate Director at Shropshire based Pentabus Theatre since 2008.

The plays go into production on Saturday 23rd July when the teams will be given just one weeks rehearsal and a budget of £100 each. The project culminates in a gala performance at Jersey Arts Centre. With such a high calibre of artists it's sure to be an event not to be missed.

Saturday 30th July at 8pm

Tickets are available from the Jersey Arts Centre Box Office

700444





Sitting Pretty

Butler painting chosen for prestigious National Portrait Gallery book

Jason Butler's painting 'Eddie 1' featured here has been chosen as one of 500 works to be displayed in the National Portrait Gallery's '500 Portraits', a prestigious new hardback book celebrating the British Portrait Award. Since 1990 over 2,000 works have been shown in the award and the publication is intended to display the broad range of styles and subject matter contained within the exhibition's history. Sandy Nairne, Director of the National Portrait Gallery has written the foreword.

The painting selected was painted from life in 2001 and displayed at the National Portrait Gallery in 2002. The sitter is a family friend, Eddie Riou.

The book was launched on 16th June 2011 to coincide with the BP Portrait Award exhibition opening at the National Portrait Gallery in London.

Jason Butler also has his 'Sideshow' exhibition of drawings currently travelling the UK. The exhibitions are being organised by Nina Herve and the drawings are accompanied with poems by Will Burns.

If you are interested in commissioning Jason, please get in touch with him.

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Providence Street

A collection of photographs by Tom Killick

The streets of St Helier are an amazing collage of colours, textures, patterns and architectural styles. These small details tell a historical story that only reveals itself as one layer of paint peels back to reveal the many different layers underneath.

The images are not the classic Jersey tourist shots but are a gritty portrayal of realism that most people who work and live in St Helier walk past every day but rarely see.

Spike and the Jersey Arts Trust are co-sponsoring the exhibition.

📍 Berni Gallery, Jersey Arts Centre

📅 11 July > 30 July 2011

🕒 Preview: Monday 11 July 5.30pm - 7pm

☎ 01534 700400



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Photographic exhibition

A collection of work from adult students on a AS photography course at Highlands College.

Exhibiting their work in the show are: Jon Stasiak, Philip De La Mare, Sylwia Mendrek, Samantha Stansbridge, Sandra Perree and Sylwia Piszczatowska.

Work selected was chosen from portraiture, Landscape and an exam based "Mystery & Imagination" project.

📍 WhiteSpace, Jersey Pottery, Gorey

📅 10 July > 16 July 2011

🕒 Preview: 11 July 5pm - 8pm

The Monthly Upload

Want to win £100? All you have to do is email your entry with the subject 'upload' to: upload@gallerymagazine.co.uk. Make the files nice and big though, about 4MB is a good

size to aim for as a guide. We print every photo but we can't get them ALL on the page full size unfortunately - they just wouldn't all fit!





Our winner this month is performing the infamous planking pose. As well as making us laugh, it fitted this month's theme as requested, along with the rest of our featured images. Next month's theme will be 'International'. We're looking forward to seeing what you come up with!

THE FIRST AVENGER CAPTAIN AMERICA

words | **Steve Lawrence**

Last of this summer's big budget comic book adaptations is Marvel's Captain America: The First Avenger. Last of this summer's big budget comic book adaptations is Marvel's Captain America: The First Avenger.

In these countries the title has been truncated to simply The First Avenger so as to avoid the connection with the place of Cap's birth. It's an interesting one really. Could people's perceptions and prejudices toward America damage the film's international box office? In some respects are the God of Thunder and an alcoholic billionaire genius easier for people to associate with America's greatest hero?

Steve Rogers is a sickly young man who wants nothing more than to serve his country in battle against the Nazis. Rejected by the army he's given a second chance when he is selected for an experimental trial of the super soldier serum - a drug designed to take the user to the peak of physical perfection. But America isn't the only country willing to experiment to gain an

advantage in war. The Germans believe they have discovered a power force capable of annihilating the Allied Forces and are ready to use it. With his sidekick Bucky Barnes, Cap must go to war not only against Hitler but also his ruthless power obsessed lieutenant The Red Skull.

Tonally this could be the hardest to nail down of Marvel's films so far. It's a war film, a super-hero film and a big summer blockbuster all at the same time. In the trailer Cap uses a gun, he is a soldier fighting in a very real war. Still, with the confirmation of appearances by Howard Stark (Tony's dad) and Nick Fury, Marvel certainly have an eye on next year's The Avengers. In light of this challenge Marvel have selected an experienced hand in Joe Johnston to pull this all together. He hasn't had a big hit on his hands for a number of years but it could be an astute move with his proven ability at combining genre with blockbuster shown

Captain America and Jersey

Interestingly the Channel Islands have an important part to play in Captain America comic book lore. SPOILER ALERT. In the final days of World War 2 Cap and Bucky were sent on a mission to an unspecified Channel Island (let's just say Jersey) in order to stop Baron Zemo launching an experimental drone plane. They succeed in reaching the plane but fail to defuse the explosive device on board. This leads to Cap being frozen in the waters of the Atlantic and Bucky being killed (it's comics so of course he isn't really dead but whatever).

We'll have to wait until the end of the month to see if the film keeps this aspect of the story. Between this and the future Superman being born in Jersey we're turning into a bit of a geek's paradise.

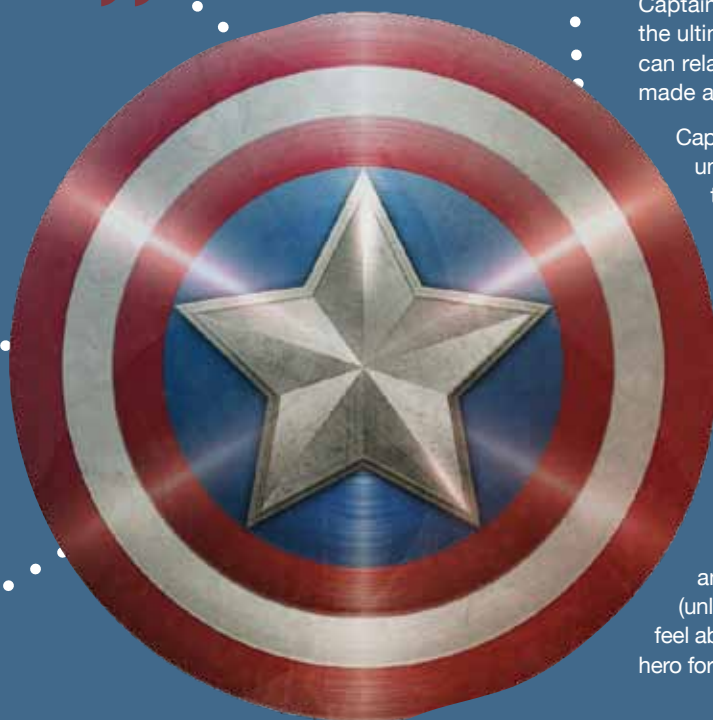
Director: Joe Johnston

Writers: Christopher Markus &
Stephen McFeely

Starring: Chris Evans, Hugo Weaving,
Stanley Tucci



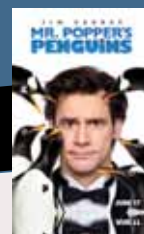
“He is a man willing and capable to make any sacrifice to help his fellow man”.



most recently in *The Wolfman*. In casting Cap they've also gone for someone with not only blockbuster experience but also super-hero experience with Chris Evans. I think he has the toughest job of all here. Captain America has to be simultaneously the ultimate hero and an everyman we can relate to. In Evans I think they've made a good choice.

Captain America predates the Marvel universe of his future Avengers teammates. Yet, in the comic books he is the lynchpin that held Marvel's shared universe together and in a way I'm sure he'll do the same for the movie version. There's an important reason for this. More than any other Marvel hero; Steve Rogers is not defined by the exterior of his Captain America identity. He isn't some kind of flag waving jingoistic symbol for a nation. He is a man willing and capable to make any sacrifice to help his fellow man (unless they're a Nazi). Forget what you feel about America – Captain America is a hero for everyone.

Also Showing...



This might surprise you but I am not infallible. From time to time I recommend an absolute stinker. There are films like *The Invention of Lying* that are genuine attempts to make something original that just seem to fall out of the grasp of the filmmakers. These I can forgive as noble failures. Then there are those like *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen*. Trading on childhood nostalgia and a genuine affection for the first film I told you, the fine readers of Gallery, to head out and see this incoherent mess of sassy quipping robots, constant running around and Constructicon testicles. Believe me that is very much an abridged list of the inconsistencies and problems with the series of events that purports to be a storyline. Still, fool me once Michael Bay shame on you, fool me twice shame on me. Whilst I won't be going into this one with high expectations I will still be going to see it. I can't help myself, it's a compulsion. I'm ready to hear the reason Shia LaBeouf's character breaks up with Megan Fox's (he's gay?), I'm ready to see the fact that there's a magic box that can bring people back to life completely ignored so as to ratchet up the tension slightly, I genuinely want to see giant robots kick the crap out of each other in

glorious 3D. *Transformers: Dark of the Moon* I won't presume you're going to be good but I will hope and pray you are better than the utter turd that preceded you.

From cars with no personality to cars with real personality Pixar are here with their annual summer offering. As usual it's a bold move from this part of the Magic Kingdom with their first sequel outside of the *Toy Story* franchise. It's especially ballsy as *Cars 2* is the follow up to what is considered by many (not me) to be the weakest entry in the Pixar canon. The story this time follows Lightning McQueen and Mater as they leave Radiator Springs for the glitz of the international grand prix circuit. There's elements of James Bond as they then find themselves embroiled in a conspiracy involving an evil genius and British spy car voiced by Michael Caine. One of the many things Pixar excel at is world building and *Cars 2* looks to take advantage of that. You wanted to know how a world made up entirely of vehicles functions? You're about to find out.

Jim Carrey and the writing team behind *Hot Tub Time Machine* are back with something

for the kids in the form of *Mr Popper's Penguins*. 'Penguins are so two years ago' I hear you say. Shut up – penguins are still cool and so is Jim Carrey. The plot involves a divorced man inheriting some penguins and then learning from them. As *March of the Penguins* showed us they are very wise creatures. I'm a big fan of the writing team and I'm intrigued how their style of comedy (they also penned *Sex Drive* and *She's Out of My League*) translates to more family fare. To be fair though you're never too young for a penis joke.

Ten years in the making it's finally time for Harry's last ride in *Harry Potter & The Deathly Hallows Part 2*. I tend to be of the opinion that the films have got better as time has passed and the source material has got darker. This has got a lot to live up to in order to match fan's expectations and provide a fitting climax to the series. Part 1 was disappointing as it had so much set-up work to do. Hopefully this will allow Part 2 to breathe more and not neglect the characters in order to fit in set pieces and tie up loose ends.

Letters from 
London

**This month's MUST hear, see, eat,
buy in the country's capital...**
Compiled by **Nina Hervé**

Local In London

SolomiaZoumaras

Former Jersey College for Girls student and Jersey born ceramicist Solomia Zoumaras left the island and moved to the UK to study art & design. After a change of heart in her first year of a furniture and product design degree, Solomia decided to move to Bath where she completed a BA in Ceramics. In 2006, Solomia won first prize in the Jersey Telecoms Student Art Prize and gained a commission by Coopers & Co in association with Jersey Pottery and since then hasn't looked back. Now living in London, the 'Master of Plaster' is now in the middle of further studies in Ceramics at the Royal College Of Art.



Firstly, why the move to London - am I right in thinking you've been here for a number of years now?

Yes I moved after I graduated and because of winning the student award I was receiving interest with my work and I knew I was capable of pursuing this as a career. I was given the opportunity to run a ceramic studio in the heart of Hackney. Over the last three years of setting up the business, Solomia, I have been exhibiting in trade shows such as Pulse and Top Drawer and retail shows such as Origin and Ceramic Art, London. London is a great place for pushing your work mainstream, it just offers a wider social network of people and opportunities arise from it.

What kind of clients would buy from you?

My work falls in both an art and a design category. Darkroom, Paul Smith, Southbank Centre and Modern Art Oxford are my main stockists.

I have been featured in Elle Decoration, Living etc, Homes & Gardens and the Financial Times. I was recently nominated for Best British Designer 2010 for Elle Decoration and I was shortlisted for the Ceramic & Glassware Award 2011 for Homes & Garden designer.

You're currently in the middle of completing an MA at the Royal College of Art - how's that going and what are you working on at the moment?

It's going really well; I'm at the Royal College of Art. They really push you to maximize your potential and your strengths. I feel very fortunate to be given this opportunity to work alongside other creative people in the same environment as me.

Solomia is currently showcasing new design work at Designers Guild, Kings Road. More information about her work can be found at www.solomia.co.uk

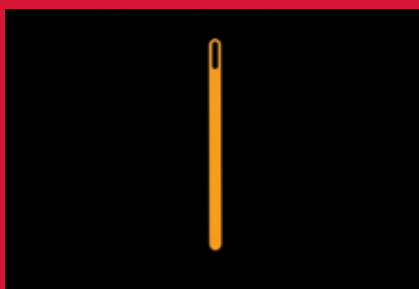


Must Eat

Pitt Cue Co, under Hungerford Bridge, Southbank, London

'Food trucks' are one of the biggest trends in dining right now and the latest version of the 'meals on wheels' phenomenon can be found for the next four months under the Hungerford Bridge at Southbank specialising in all things pork. Pitt Cue Co has already won the hearts of Londoners serving up American style BBQ food such as ribs, beef brisket and hickory-smoked slow-cooked pulled pork with side dishes consisting of coleslaw, beans and pickles. You drink the bourbon first, feeling the warmth shooting down your throat, followed quickly with the brine, pleasantly sweet and finish off with the crunchy homemade crackling. Tastes better than you think.

For more information check out the website...
www.twitter.com/PittCueCo



Must See

Fitting in. Standing out. Exhibition at Rough Trade East, London

Fitting in. Standing out. is the next installment from Jersey-born artist and photographer Stacey Yates as she further explores her interest in identity through an unlikely subject matter - coffee stirrers. Stacey came across Jake's collection of coffee stirrers a year back and has been making images of them in isolation for the past few months. Don't miss out on your chance to see Stacey's images accompanied by quotes and thoughts taken from her interview with Jake about his unusual collection. The exhibition will be on display in the coffee shop area of Rough Trade East until 31st July.

For more information check out the website...
www.staceyates.com



Must Buy

Tica, Newburgh Street, London

Inspired by the beaches, colour and carnival of South America, Tica London was born when three frustrated 30-somethings were looking for new beachwear for a trip to Brazil in February. Once they landed in Rio, they were taken aback by the stylish bikinis and beachwear so decided to set up shop in London offering a range of stylish beachwear and accessories all year round. Bikini brands such as Ella Moss, Ondadamar and Salinas can be found as well as menswear by Vilebrequin and Biondi. Flip-flops by Havaiana are also on offer. Tica are currently having a sale so go in and snap up some bargains!

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Happy Birthday Jersey Goldsmiths!

The treasure trove of wonderful jewellery and gifts up in St Lawrence is celebrating its 25th birthday this summer.

We met up with Lynda Firkins, Marketing Manager at Jersey Goldsmiths who explained, "In the early years we were lucky enough to be able to sell jewellery to the mass of holidaying visitors, who were only too happy to take home a keepsake of their time in Jersey. As our visitor numbers declined we realised how important it was that we developed our business with the changing times. Taking a good look around us at what was on our doorstep, a beautiful island, full of passionate talented people was part of the inspiration that would move us forward. We started to design more collections ourselves from things we could see around us each day. Jewellery is all about emotion and designing a piece of jewellery that shows the sun setting at St Ouen's Bay or a mother holding her firstborn child is creating jewellery that truly touches the soul. We feel our collections have ripened and matured with time, creating unique and distinctive pieces of jewellery."

Julia Williams, manager of Jersey Goldsmiths said, "These past years have been very useful in helping us to continue and grow and we feel very proud of the collections we have produced. We would like to thank our loyal locals for believing in us and we look forward to delighting them and our new customers for the next 25 years".

Make sure you stop in over the summer and have a look around, the whole place has a great celebratory atmosphere at the moment and their tasty cakes at the cafe are unmissable!



Brands galore

Sweet Pea and Willow have lots of unique summer pieces in store from hundreds of high end brands (at a fraction of the cost). We found this light summer jacket from Armani Jeans that gives the perfect gentle nod towards the nautical trend which is still huge this year.

Armani Jeans Jacket £82, Sweet Pea and Willow



Its a wrap.

The New York celebrity must have Bindya scarves new in at Manna

Known for their tie-dyed cashmere scarves and gorgeous wraps featuring hand-painted designs, Bindya New York scarves are an effortlessly chic collection of luxurious, wearable art. New in at Manna, their beautiful bright scarves are literally flying out of the door. Always on-trend, Bindya's designs are made of fine quality blends of cashmere, wool and silk. Manna has some fantastic vivid bright orange and electric sea blue in store. They are so versatile - take inspiration from Rhianna who makes her outfits all about the scarf and nothing else!

New Brand Alert!

Eclectic in Liberty Wharf has just got in the vintage-inspired luxury brand 'Not So Serious'. Their Spring collection includes lots of floaty mini dresses with lace and netting. They're easy to wear, ethereal, and very feminine. An essential brand for all you chic boho princesses who are inspired by the likes of Isabel Lucas (pictured at a festival with her achingly cool musician boyfriend Angus Stone).

Gypsy neckline cream mini dress £265

Yellow detail mini dress £220

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Ash 'Stud' boots

Hi-Heels & Handbags £119

Gestuz leggings

Roulette £59

Silver weave belt

Marc Cain £165

Vintage orange '30' top

Eclectic £28

Gestuz black leather jacket

Roulette £249

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Eclectic £95

Fashion leopard collar

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MV Agusta F41000 motorbike from £12,981



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Sequin leggings

Manna £50

Leather jacket

Marc Cain £925

Ash 'Fiona' mesh boots

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Dior black and red bangle

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Platinum plate champagne, CZ dress ring

Jersey Goldsmiths £89.50

Silver weave belt

Marc Cain £165

Aprilia RSV4 motorbike from £12,964

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Green padded mink pink leggings

Roulette £35

Whistles leather jacket

Voisins £162

Fashion hammered gold oval necklace

Jersey Goldsmiths £49.88

Leather gloves

Electic £95

Aprilia RSV4 motorbike from £12,964





Sparkly leggings

Manna £50

Leather jacket

Marc Cain £925

Ash 'Fiona' mesh boots

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Grey leather trousers

Marc Cain £519

Evil Twin plaited and ripped dress

Roulette £89

Gestuz boots

Roulette £179

Black All Saints low hanging leather jacket

Voisins £295

Platinum plate leopard necklace

Jersey Goldsmiths £101.45

Yamaha YZF-R1 motorbike from £11,983



Wolford ruched leggings

Voisins £107.10

Temperley lace shirt

Sweet Pea and Willow £70

Black cropped leather jacket

Eclectic £40

Kurt Geiger black and leopard-

print peep-toe slingbacks

Voisins £150

Platinum plate leopard necklace

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What with Made In Chelsea filling the TOWIE* gap in our lives, everything's getting a little bit 'Raaaaah darling'. Suddenly it's a lot less about flaunting it, and a lot more about cleverly and seductively suggesting it (your 'assets' that is); a la Pippa Middleton in THAT bridesmaid's dress. Here's a cheat's guide to looking princess perfect without the hefty price tag.

*The Only Way Is Essex. Come on keep up, where have you been?



frock off

The Made In Chelsea crew may not be good for much (is relying on a trust fund a talent?), but one area where they really do excel themselves is their ability to transform to very pretty swans in the evening. Now we obviously all can't have sections of our wardrobes devoted to evening wear but there is help at hand. The [Dressing Room in St Saviour](#) has rails of stunning formal dresses available to hire whenever you want. Or if you're looking to splash out on something special then [Ellis Clothing in Colombarie](#) has new elegant outfits in every week. So book your big hair blowdry at Elmina in town, and you shall go to the ball Cinderella!



don't be fooled by the rocks that I got...

You can look as cool and boho as you like at the festivals this summer, but it's also ball and party season, and good girls do make the effort!

The ever-wonderful girl-power-boosting Beyoncé Knowles knows that the right bling can take your outfit from gorgeous to show stopping, and the voluptuous siren Kim Kardashian always uses oversized jewellery to add sophistication to her outfits.

We've found this perfect cocktail ring at Jersey Goldsmiths, it just oozes sparkle and glam. Take a trip out to St Lawrence as this is just one of many wow designs in their fashion jewellery range. Whilst you're there, make sure you check out their floral patio which is in full bloom at the moment and looks stunning (a great spot for a light lunch!)

Platinum plated cocktail ring with champagne and white cubic zirconia, retails at only £89.05.



get the look

Did you think you were going to be able to open a publication and not see a picture of Pippa Middleton?

There is no point in shying away from it, now that Cheryl Cole is out of the way over in the USA, the new brunette darling of Britain is P-Middy. She's undeniably very stylish in a beautifully demure way. So here is how to get her summer's day casual look:



Carrera Panamerika Sunglasses

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Ashlee Simpson

I never liked Ashlee Simpson's hair until she cut it short, it looks awesome, very Edie Sedgwick-inspired. It's really 60s and with her big eyes is right on trend. I like how she plays with the styling for different events, really sleek and sophisticated or messy and edgy.



Mary-Kate Olsen

I always admire Mary-Kate Olsen's style, her hair is so cool, it's effortless and rock chick. The Madonna-esque dark roots with the bleached beige-toned ends are so workable with all the different styles she works, and her make up and clothing is always in sync, making her look a favourite of mine.



Nicola Roberts

I always love red hair on paler girls, it's beautiful. It really complements her skin tone and makes her stand out. It's a colour that's always underestimated, but with the right soft styling looks amazing. It's great for vintage-inspired looks as well as ultra glam evening looks. Julianne Moore is another great example.



Bright Smiles

Duncan Alexander and Caroline Trehou have teamed up to bring to Jersey an exciting new Teeth Whitening system that has support from a multimillion dollar American franchise.

The company has been enjoying great success in America and England for some 8 years now. Duncan and Caroline have managed to secure the franchise for the whole of the Channel Islands after their intense training course in the UK.

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Irene Forsyth,
Nail Technician at Avalon

Signature Treatment: The Jessica Geleration, Bio Sculpture Gel & Zenspa Pedicure. This is a truly luxurious treatment, not only do you get beautiful toes but you receive a full back massage which is incorporated into our amazing Pedicure Chair.

What is your favourite nail colour this summer? There are some many brilliant ones to choose from. I'd have to say Coral is a real favourite of mine, and it is one of the most popular colours we do. However I also love pale ice cream coloured pastel shades!

Pedicure treatments are 1 hour // £32
pedicure with polish // £40 pedicure with gel

Milena Marzec,
Thai Massage Therapist at Avalon

Signature Treatment: A Traditional Thai Massage which incorporates yoga, acupressure and reflexology. It is totally different to the Western style of massage most of us know. It is performed fully clothed on a mat on the floor and I use my hands, fingers, elbows, knees and feet during the massage!

Who is Thai Massage best for? It can assist in helping relieve headaches, migraines, neck and shoulder pain and arthritis, as well as calming the mind so it is great for relaxation too. I've found that it can really help with healing long term injuries and it is great for the summer because it really helps to eliminate toxins.

1 hour for £70 and 1½ hours for £90





Rebecca Morris,
Skin Care Therapist
at Pennyfeathers

Kayleigh Allen,
Skin Care Therapist
at Pennyfeathers

What nail colours will you be wearing this summer?

KA: Jessica Confident Coral or a French polish using White Cap and Beautiful by Jessica are my favourites for summer.

RM: Jessica Seductress.

Which is the best quick fix treatment?

KA: MD Glycolic Peel, quick fix deep exfoliation to reveal healthy bright looking skin.

RM: BareMinerals Make Under with the Fantastic Mineral Make up to give a natural look when wearing make up.

Which treatment do you think is best for pampering?

KA & RM: The Pennyfeathers Experience - a back massage followed by a bespoke facial.

Which celebrity has great make-up and why?

KA: I am really drawn to Cheryl Cole's look. I love her versatility and her flawless skin and smokey eyes, which brings out one of her best features. I love the contrast in her make-up from her day to night look. You can't go wrong with pale lip gloss in the day and making a bold statement in the evening with red or pink lips.

RM: Jessica Alba because she's never 'over done' and looks very natural.

Which is your favourite treatment to give to a client?

KA: I would have to say a body massage, I don't think you can beat them. I love breaking down the tension and leaving the client feeling relaxed.

RM: I really enjoy creating a bespoke facial for my clients. It's relaxing both for you and your client.

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Ready... set... GO!

It's the summer, so that means you will need to invest in some time saving, easy to use, high impact products which can take you from day to night or from a beach to a festival. It's all about having the perfect mix of bright bold colours to whip on as well as some wonderful multifunctional essentials. Here's our pick of some of the best...

•Ojon Full Detox Dry Shampoo

If your hair is crying out for a rinse and needs a quick blast of volume, Ojon dry shampoo is your saving grace. This absorbent, naturally-derived, ultra sheer powder formulated with soap bark tree extract cleanses hair and scalp without water. Perfect for when there is an endless queue for the showers on your camp site!

•Zoya Matte Velvet Lacquer

We know it is very girly and silly to get quite so excited about this product, but we can't help it. It's nail varnish, but it's MATTE!? Oh the joy, this changes everything!

•2true Eyeliner Dazzlers

Give your look some disco-chic with these long lasting glittery liners, perfect if you want to sparkle like a gem in the disco tent. Available in 10 blazing shades, at least your eyes will still be sparkling at 3am.

•M.A.C Semi Precious Mineralize Eye Shadow

With a varied melange of colours they seem to blur the boundaries between daytime and nighttime - taking you from being subtly sexy to a full on flaunt.

•Guerlain 2011 Lipstick

This brand really is doing a very good job of wooing us. Every season they bring out something useful and beautiful. Their summer lipsticks have brilliant gold gadgety packaging and the cutesy vivid pink tone of this one makes it a make-up bag essential - a bright lipstick will help distract from everything else if you only have one minute to get ready!

•Rapid Lash

Non-intentional black smudges around the eyes are the bane of our lives for a lot of us, especially in the hotter months. That's why this wonder product is so good. It literally makes your eye lashes grow longer and thicker. No gimmicks. No small print. It will actually give you longer lashes. It gets our award for best product of 2011.

•Darphin Hydra Skin Serum

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Diary of a Dieter!



By | **anonymous**

So this year I am committed to losing a few pounds. I'm not sure what's gone wrong every other year I've tried to lose a bit of weight for the summer; I'm sure I was committed to those diets too; but they always seemed to just peter out after an unsuccessful few weeks (or sometimes days).

However this time I am enlisting the help of professionals. After finding out about the Thalgo iPULSE 5.1 Slimming machine at Les Roches Spa I thought it could be my final hope. Over the years, like everyone else, I've tried numerous faddy diets. I've souped myself up, I've eaten Special K like it's going out of fashion, I've joined gym after gym, I've signed up for marathons, I've power walked/fought/danced, I've even eaten like a cavewoman for a month - and yet I'm still not reaching my goal. So I decided to really invest in this treatment - and it's quite expensive - however that made me all the more determined to stick to it and get results.

Thursday 26th May

It's with a feeling of intrepidation that I turn up at Les Roches Spa for my first iPULSE treatment. I discuss with the therapist where my problem areas are; muffin top, thighs and the tops of my arms and she took down all my measurements so that over the next 3 weeks we can track my progress. The therapist attached the pads to my problem areas and the treatment was tailored especially for my body type and to help me reach my goals (which are quite simply to get slimmer!). The iPULSE machine combines 5 slimming technologies; for my first one the session focuses on breaking down fatty acids using ultrasound to reduce cellulite and also micro-currents which pulse through the pads to help with expelling fat and to tone the skin.

When the machine first came on we went through all the different intensity levels until we got to one which I felt was really doing a good job. So the brave ones can have the machine turned right up, blasting their pesky fat cells, whilst the more timid can opt for a lower level and go for the 'slow and steady wins the race' approach.

I chose to have it as high as I could tolerate; but because it goes in gentle waves, building up each time, I found that I could have it higher half way through the treatment which made me feel I was doing well (despite the fact the machine is actually doing all the work for me!)

Monday 30th May

Time for my second treatment. I get hooked up to the machine and put on a 30-minute session (I brought a book so I can relax whilst it works its magic). After my session I head to Bootcamp on the front near the hamburger stand, because combining the machine with exercise will boost its results and help with burning more fat cells, so I plan to go twice a week whilst I'm doing the treatments.

Wednesday 1st June

I'm really looking forward to my third session as my tummy is looking noticeably flatter. I have the pads turned up higher than usual as I'm building up a tolerance to them, which is exciting. My lovely therapist gave me a wonderful foot massage as I had the treatment which completely takes my mind off the new higher levels I have opted for.

Thursday 2nd June

My arms are actually tired and sore as if I have been to the gym. I feel like I'm beating the system!

Monday 6th June

I managed to stay away from alcohol all weekend. I'm halfway through my sessions and I really want to see results so I was designated driver over the weekend. I also took a look at the Thalgo Slimming Guide which Les Roches Spa gave me on my first session and read through their tips on losing weight through healthy eating and I vow to give it a try for the remaining 10 days.



Thursday 9th June

After this session I bought the Thalgo Slim & Sculpt Expert Slimming & Firming cream and the Cellu-thighs gel which my Therapist has been using on my stomach and thighs after every treatment. I've noticed my thighs are much less dimpled and the skin is smoother so I'm keen to use that product at home everyday whilst I'm doing this, so I feel I'm really attacking that problem area! This is a 'no holds barred', all out assault on my fat cells and I'm going to do everything I can to make it happen. I even dusted off my year's membership card for the gym which has just been sitting on the side, and went for a 20 minute fast walk on the treadmill (I haven't dared to weigh myself).

Sunday 12th June

I couldn't fit in two treatments in the week, so I got a space conveniently on a Sunday to have my penultimate treatment. I was actually really looking forward to the time-out as you literally get to lie there and do nothing for the 30minutes if you choose to (which I did). My Therapist kindly turned the lights down and put on some music, and I just lay back and let the machine get to work blitzing all my fat cells. I chatted to my therapist about how my new healthy eating diet was going and she pointed me in the direction of the Thalgo Ocea Drain Detoxifying capsules which you just add to a small glass of orange juice once a day to help cleanse your system and eliminate your body and digestive system of toxins so that everything can work at it's fat-burning best.

Wednesday 15th June

The final treatment and results day. I'm really worried that after all the hard work with my sensible diet and slogging it at Bootcamp, I won't have lost any weight. For this session I move onto a new session on the machine which focuses on burning fatty acids and uses lots of muscular electrostimulation to help build muscle and re-shape my body. It's a really different sensation to all the other treatments I've had and it definitely feels like it is doing some hardcore work on my problem zones. My therapist gives me a blissful arm and hand massage to take my mind off it, and the treatment whizzes by.

I even dusted off my year's membership card!



Results:

So Hooray Hoorrrrrray woo HOO! I lost half a stone over the three weeks and more importantly I lost 9.5 actual centimetres from my body! That makes this worth every single penny, and I'm so pleased.

Two weeks later and I'm still loving the results. I've started swimming weekly too, to try and maintain my new slimmer figure. I haven't lost any more weight since the treatment, but I'm still half a stone down and no longer dreading having to cover myself up all summer. My clothes definitely all feel better on me and I'm still trying to find my old favourite pair of jeans to see if I can squeeze back into them. Fingers crossed!

The Numbers...

	Weight	Fat mass	Total water	Inter cell water	Thighs	Tops of Arms	Hips	Tummy
Before	10.1 Stone	29.00%	61.00%	41.00%	61cm	31cm	91cm	73cm
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Worth the Wait(rose)

Now we've settled into being Waitrose shoppers (just like Kate Middleton don't you know), it's hard to imagine a time before in-store Boots pharmacies, olive bars and those cute little green tokens. But just to remind you – here's our pick of some of the products we couldn't have got before those Waitrose aisles arrived in the isles...

The power of nature

For the last two years, Toby, son of Jody Scheckter, the owner of Laverstoke Park, has been working tirelessly – literally – to create a unique, organic energy drink. With 100% natural ingredients including ginkgo biloba, ginseng, guarana, extract of coffee seed, pomegranate and elderberry, this fruity concoction will leave you feeling refreshed and revitalised. Fairtrade certified, and 100% organic, this is an energy drink of a different 'nature'. Scheckter's Organic Energy, in selected Waitrose Channel Island stores now (£1.69).

Cordially invited

Liven up your summer drinks with a dash of these quirky new cordials from husband and wife duo Chris and Becky Verinder-Baker. Five Valleys Cordials started as a kitchen project, with Chris and Becky selling their wares at local farmers' markets. These brilliantly different cordials are available in Apricot & Ginger, Lemon & Mint and Pomegranate & Rose and are exclusive to Waitrose. Five Valley Cordials, £3.19 each.

Honey to the bee

Waitrose is exclusively launching a new range of Manuka honey from husband and wife team, Sheryl and Paul Steen. A real natural superfood, Steens Manuka Honey is pure, single source and naturally bioactive. The range has varying degrees of antibacterial levels; from the +5 honey, which is perfect drizzled over ice cream, to the more intense +15 honey, which can be used to aid digestion and even skin problems. Steen's Manuka Honey (in Raw 5, Raw 10 and Raw 15, all 340g) is priced from £8.50.

Your new favourite squeeze

Taste No. 5™ is the exquisite new paste by Laura Santtini which can transform even the blandest of meals into something truly extraordinary. This innovative product is inspired by the science behind the fifth taste – umami. Combining the most umami-rich Italian ingredients such as tomato, Parmesan cheese and porcini mushrooms into a single paste, it can be added as a flavour bomb to anything from grills, roasts and bakes to pastas, soups and stews or simply used on its own as a condiment for panini, crostini and dressings at £2.99/70g.

Man up, it's salad

In response to our hotter-than-ever taste in food, Waitrose have just launched a new Hot & Fiery salad that is... well, just that. Full of inferno rocket and nasturtium leaves, Greek cress, radish and butterhead leaves; this tongue-tingling collection of salad leaves packs a real flavour punch. They've dubbed it 'man salad'. Are you macho enough to try it? Waitrose Hot & Fiery Salad, £1.49 per bag.

Chefspeak

Supper with bite

From the backpacker who was eye-balled by her curry to the grub-guzzler who bit off more than he could chew, Jersey chefs spill the beans on the food – and the cooking experiences – that pushed their limits.



Emma Carlton, Sweet Inspirations

I ordered a 'fish head curry' once in Malaysia because everyone raved about it. The whole restaurant gasped when the most ferocious, bared-teeth beast was plonked on the table right in front of me. 'Try the eyeballs first' they all said. I managed a fish cheek which was surprisingly delicious, but the eyeballs got me in the end, and I had to make a swift exit...



Shaun Rankin, Bohemia

One particular memory that stands out was in a Rhino Safari camp in Kenya teaching the locals how to cook European food. I have to admit to being a bit nervous that a stampede of rhinos could come through the camp at any moment.



Danny Moisan, Danny's

I always get put in charge of catering at my motorbike race weekends and I've learned that it's not such a good idea to use the huge tea urn to re-heat my vacuum-packed food. Last time at Le Mans a bag of beef tagine split in the urn, and for the rest of the day everyone complained that their tea tasted like Bovril...



David Cameron, The Boat House Group

The most adrenalin filled moment of my professional career has to be at Jersey Live last year. At 11:30am on the first day of the weekend, the gas and water stopped and I was faced with the challenge of feeding thousands of hungry people.



Marcus Calvani, La Cantina

With a 4.30am start and a 25-mile boat trip, deep sea fishing for Mahi Mahi was an adrenalin-packed food hunting adventure. As soon as you're far enough away from the coast and you see the metallic flash of the fish jumping, you cast and hope they'll bite. If they do, you know about it – it can be a battle for at least 30-45 minutes to pull one of these fish in, and such a rush when you succeed.



Tony Dorris, Jersey Pottery

A hair-raising moment was when we did a weekend wedding catering event... not in Jersey but in a stately home in Gloucestershire! We took all the kit over in a couple of Jersey Pottery vans and a supersonic Land Rover, used local suppliers and catered for everything from breakfast and barbecue buffets to a formal dinner for 150 at a riverside location a couple of miles from the house. It was a logistical nightmare!



Steve Walker, Royal Yacht Hotel

I did once eat a grub, in the outback of Australia while showing off to a group of girls. They have to be eaten live and wriggle on your tongue before they burst into what tastes like raw egg yolk with consistency of warm double cream. I managed to keep it down but only because there were people around.



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Make your summer stress-free with a trip to the brand new COOK shop in Burrard Street and fill the freezer with gourmet ready meals that taste homemade. Whether you're planning a dinner party like Zara (see below) or feeding the family like Kate (see across the page), they'll COOK so you don't have to...



Entertaining made easy

I blame Nigella. Ever since her 'wouldn't-you-like-to-be-me' TV series with her finger-licking food and kitsch kitchen suppers, I've rather fancied trying out the domestic goddess look for myself.

I didn't realise dinner parties would be such hard work though. No wonder the Come Dine with Me contestants always look so frazzled; it took me ages to compile a list of suitably decorative dinner guests – and that was before I started shopping for the essentials; Cath Kidston apron, quirky placecards and a scented candle from The White Company. It was only when I was strolling home from work with my packages that I remembered I'd forgotten the essential ingredient for any dinner party... the dinner.

Thankfully I was right next to the brand new COOK shop and in a couple of minutes, I'd picked up Cheese Soufflés with Red Onion Marmalade for everyone, a huge tray of Moroccan Spiced Lamb Tagine, Minted Couscous and a couple of Monkfish Wellingtons for the vegetarian, as well as plenty of vegetable sides that I would never have had time to chop, roast and sprinkle with caraway seeds. There was even dessert – a gorgeous Raspberry Pavlova that I just had to leave alone while it defrosted. Now, that's my sort of dinner party preparation.

All I had to do when I got home was make a list of the timings so I knew when to slip away and slide the COOK meals straight from the freezer into the oven, and then it was onto the important business of Getting Ready. By the time my guests arrived, I was checking my manicure, putting the final touches to my artistic table decorations, and cracking open the Chablis. Everyone was so busy tucking

into the olives I'd picked up from COOK, they didn't notice me unwrapping the cheese soufflés and decanting the frozen lamb tagine out of its plastic tray and into a COOK oven dish so it would look as if I'd spent hours slaving over a hot stove, instead of... Robert Stevens. Those kind COOK people print the name of the chef who cooked your meal on the pack, so you can raise a glass to them – when nobody's looking of course, you wouldn't want to give the game away.

You can imagine the look on everyone's faces when I took six perfect cheese soufflés out of the oven. 'Oh do you like them?' I said nonchalantly, 'filo pastry, mature cheddar, feta, some caramelised red onions and voila! It's simple really...' Which of course it was. For me, anyway. Thankfully, when it was time for the main course, everyone had got into a wine-fuelled controversial debate about the waterfront, and didn't notice me disappearing to microwave the vegetables. The minted couscous, oven-roasted vegetables and cabbage, bacon and pinenuts all cook straight from the freezer and are ready in five minutes flat. Of course, I had to introduce some impromptu karaoke to cover the microwave 'ping', but really, it was a small price to pay. The lamb tagine with apricots and dates was divine – aromatic, sweet and melt-in-the-mouth. I wasn't surprised. After all, it had been marinated and then slow-cooked for hours... just not by me! The monkfish wellingtons were a huge hit with my fussy, sorry meat-intolerant friend Rosie, who was convinced I'd personally wrapped the perfectly-cooked fish parcel in lattice-cut puff pastry just for her. The piece de resistance though had to be the Raspberry Pavlova – an incredible 'swish' roll of melting meringue and golden cream studded with jewel-pink raspberries. 'How did you make that?' gasped the guests. 'It's easy when you know how...' I said, doing my best Nigella eyelash flutter. You know, I rather think I'm getting the hang of this domestic goddess business.

A Gourmet Summer Buffet

A long, lazy summer lunch in the garden with friends or family is something to cherish. Why not relax, and let COOK do the hard work so you can concentrate on enjoying yourself?

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Kitchen rescue

words: Kate Summers

Tuesday 26th July

Summer holidays are holidays for everyone except mum. Children staying up 'till all hours 'because there's no school tomorrow, mummy', and then squabbling all day because they're overtired. Before you know it, you're back from a day chasing them up and down the beach and there's nothing in the fridge. Which is why this summer I'll be filling the freezer with COOK Kids meals. Made using the same ingredients and techniques as you would at home and packed with hidden vegetables, COOK's Kids meals are exactly what I'd like to be making myself if I had the option of spending all day slicing and stirring.

Kids Chicken Curry for Lucy and Meatballs & Spaghetti for Max did the trick - five minutes in the microwave is all it takes, giving me time to unpack beach bags, hang up damp towels and pour myself a glass of wine. It's great to hear the kids asking for second and third helpings, especially when I know the food's so good for them. There was even a pot of organic Baby Cottage Pie for Tom, which I couldn't resist a tiny taste of. 'Yummy, mummy' he said. That's my boy...

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New look for Longueville

Longueville Manor's upped the luxury with a brand new 'modern classic' makeover from owner Patricia Lewis who, along with her husband Malcolm, runs the island's only Relais et Chateaux hotel. From soft colours and contemporary touches inside the hotel to swish poolside lounging furniture outside, as well as their own iPhone app, Longueville's channeling relaxed hotel chic perfectly. Patricia explains: "Longueville Manor has a unique 'home from home' feel and we wanted this to come across from the minute you walk through the door. The project was carried out in-house, rather than through a third party designer, and truly reflects our ethos and welcoming nature".

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Froyo to go...

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In the Know

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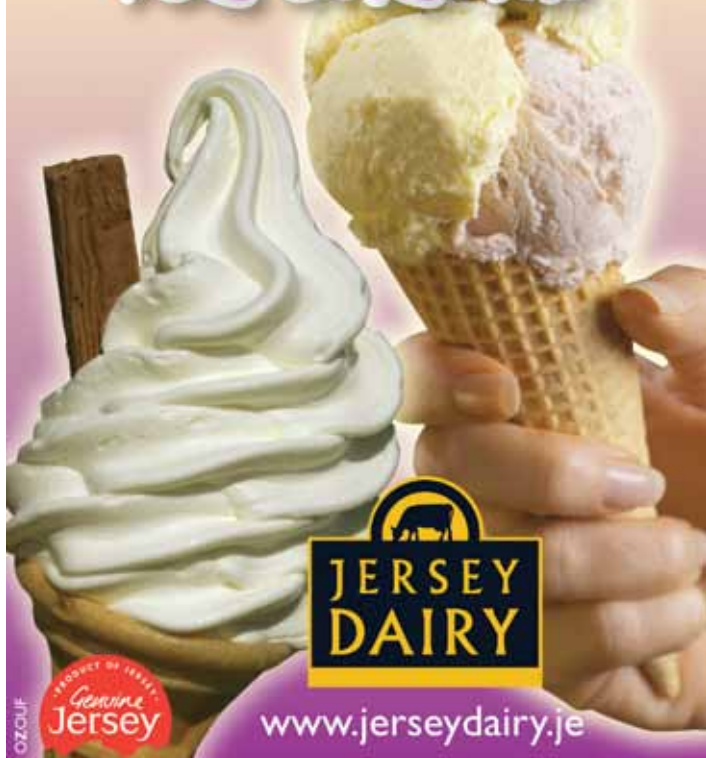
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Martin Flageul relates some adventures from his travels around the world

Adrenaline rush... Rewards of wine!

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Chile:

Once the thrill of white water rafting on the River Maipo was over – it was time to settle down with a huge chorizo steak and share a bottle of Carmenere, Block 27, Terryuno, Concha y Toro from Rapel Valley. Dark and deep red colour; intense hints of berries; cigar box pepper and chocolate; tasty and full-bodied, elegant yet powerful with a deliciously complex lingering aftertaste.

£13.25 per bottle

Spain:

Cantering through the forest of the National Park of Barbate near Los Canos de Meca in Andalucía can be quite exhilarating – so settling down to a plate of Cerdo al Horno – Pork roasted in an outside oven served with Marques de Caceres Reserva 2004 is a great way to revive. This Reserva has a bright, vivid dark ruby colour; intense bouquet of forest fruits and sweet spice. Good concentration in the mouth with deliciously soft tannins that highlight the wines rich fruit; an elegant and unctuous wine with a pleasant fullness that lingers on the palate. £13.25 per bottle

New Zealand:

Probably the most challenging thing I have done is to climb part of the Franz Josef Glacier on the West of New Zealand's South Island when it was pouring with rain; thank goodness a welcome glass of Villa Maria Wairau Valley Reserve Sauvignon Blanc was awaiting me after my 8 hour trek - served with some green lipped mussels it was a real treat. This Sauvignon Blanc is classic Wairau style showcasing the ripe fruit characters found in the Valley. The nose overflows with pungent passion-fruit, grapefruit and ripe gooseberry characters. The palate is powerful with an explosive array of ripe gooseberry and tropical flavours complemented by crisp acidity and a long finish. £11.95 per bottle

Australia:

A fast cat to the Great Barrier Reef in very choppy seas did not make the best conditions for snorkelling but I was still able to see some amazing and breathtaking colours with coral and fish. Getting back to a cool glass of Brightview Chardonnay produced by Simon Hackett in McLaren Vale with some grilled Barramundi made the somewhat rough return journey completely worthwhile. This Chardonnay is fermented in French and American oak; it has honeydew melon aromas with white peach. Creamy, toasty oak in the background give way to a big, rich wine with ripe melons and stone fruits integrated with spicy oak as well as delicious butterscotch and crisp citrus finish.

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Work up an appetite!

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Kayak... and Crab Shack

You can make your 'go jump off a cliff' fantasies about your boss come true with this team building evening kayak paddle including swimming and cliff jumping if you're brave enough! Then recover with tapas and dessert at the Crab Shack for £30 all in.

'Kayak & Crab Shack' from Absolute Adventures (07797 736411) £30 each for groups of 6-24. Kayaks leave at 6pm.

Stand-up paddling... and supper

Try and keep your balance as you try the new celebrity-favourite sport, stand-up paddling, and then head to the Wayside Café for supper and watch everyone else falling in...

Stand-up paddling from Active Island Sports (07797717564), Wayside Café (743915).

Blo-karting... and burgers

When you're done speeding across the beach, you'll deserve a good burger. Head up to Big Verns for lunch or treat yourself to the House Burger from La Pulente pub. Burger, Cajun chicken, bacon, cheese and salsa all in a toasted Portuguese roll. Yum.

Blo-karting with Pure Adventure (769165) or Absoute Adventures (07797 736411). La Pulente Pub (744487) and Big Verns (481705).

Coasteering... and cakes

After the adrenaline rush of jumping from rocks at Greve de Lecq, you'll need a bit of a sit-down. Get your breath back with a cup of tea and the yummy selection of cakes baked by Adam at Coleen's Café.

Coasteering with Jersey Adventures (498636) or Pure Adventure (769165). Colleen's Café (481420) open 8.30am-5pm every day.

Scary heights... and a slap up breakfast

Brave enough to take the plunge at Creepy Valley's terrifying powerfan freefall or try some aerial trekking on their zip wires? After all that excitement, reward yourself with breakfast at El Tico – it'll be worth it.

Creepy Valley (638888) open every day. El Tico (482009).

Skydiving... and Dag's special burger

After skydiving above St Aubin's bay you'll definitely be ready for Dag's Special Burger at the Gunsite Café. That is, if you haven't left your stomach behind at 10,000 feet...

Skydive Jersey (747410) and the Gunsite Café (735806).

Jet-ski... and a nice cup of tea

All jet-skied out? Dry off on the decking of the Cabin Café with a hot drink and a cake or a homemade burger, there are tables right on the sand so you can watch the rest of the action.

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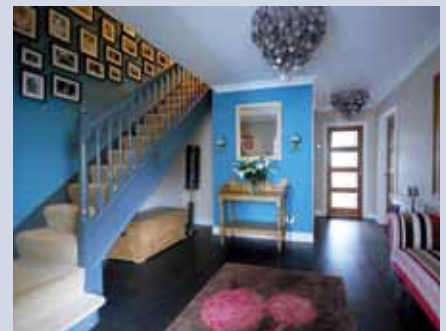
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- Very private large plot
- Must be viewed

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3 2 ✓ CAT A-J

- Stunning country house
- Superb decorative order
- Quiet location, long driveway
- Great kitchen/Family room
- Large garden and patio

St Mary

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4 3 ✓ CAT A-J

- Granite charm
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- Parking
- Village setting

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- Excellent country location
- Ideal refurbishment project
- Charming garden
- Meadow land
- Garage and ample parking

St John

£825,000



4 2 ✓ CAT A-J

- Detached with views over the village green
- Superbly finished with quality fixtures
- Bespoke kitchen and bathrooms
- Gated driveway + garage
- Landscaped front and rear gardens

St Saviour

£795,000



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- Substantial, restored town house
- 2 generation or home with income
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- Most convenient location, close to schools
- Garage and landscaped gardens

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3 2 ✓ CAT A-J

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- Good decorative order
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- Convenient for local pub, shops, schools and town

St Helier

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2 1 ✓ CAT A-H

- Trendy penthouse
- Sociable balcony
- Two double bedrooms
- Castle and Marina views
- Parking and storage

St Helier

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- Ground floor 1 bedroom apartment
- Roof terrace and private courtyard
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West side story

It's not easy to find the perfect family home.

For a start it's got to be big enough to fit everyone in and have a spare room for when the grandparents come to stay, but not so huge that you can't keep an eye on the kids. Outside you'll need space for a Sunday afternoon barbecue but it has to be secure enough for little ones to play safely. There'll have to be a swish kitchen that can handle a smart supper party just as well as an after-school fairy-cake making session, and don't forget plenty of family-size bathrooms, lots of parking and a garage for the collection of bikes, surfboards and kayaks you're bound to accumulate. Design-wise? Chic and contemporary of course, but comfortable enough to feel like a home.

It's a tough list, but properties like the two Iona houses at La Route des Genets tick all the boxes for families who are looking to put down roots. Spacious and stylish, close to schools and the sea, and just a short stroll from Waitrose at Red Houses, they've got modern family living all sussed out.

Walk through the front door of one of the two four-bedroom houses just completed by Nick Durbano Builders and the first thing you notice is the space. A wide front door, large hallway and a generously proportioned living room on one side and an expansive kitchen on the other – this is certainly a 'family-size' house. A specially designed walnut open-tread staircase, light hi-shine marble-look floors and plenty of glass add to the airy feel of the ground floor and give the house a contemporary edge. A 26-foot living room runs from the front to the back of the property and has folding glass doors that open right back, creating a link with the south-facing enclosed garden, complete with patio terrace ready for those barbecues. And when you're not outside, there's wiring for Sky and a working fireplace to curl up in front of.

On the other side of the hallway is the designer Rational kitchen, channeling the wow factor with its top of the range appliances, cleverly lit-up cupboards, and swish extractor that rises from the worktop at the touch of a button. As well as being big enough for all the family, it's an entertaining-friendly kitchen as well with a steam oven, combination microwave, heated drawer, standard oven and an induction hob as well as a built-in coffee machine – all Miele of course. The adjoining utility room is home to the large fridge freezer, and cleverly there's also a larder room with space for a wine fridge, so the sleek lines of the kitchen stay clutter-free.

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the house, and the builders have added built-in storage wherever possible, including a loft-space. Clever design features will also allow this house to adapt to the needs of a growing family – there's wiring in place for a Smart home system as well as Sky and thermostats in every room to ensure everyone stays happy. Family life doesn't have to be all 'work, work, work' - the Iona houses are easy to look after with low-maintenance gardens and exterior, so even if you can't be at home all year round, you can ensure your house stays looking immaculate.

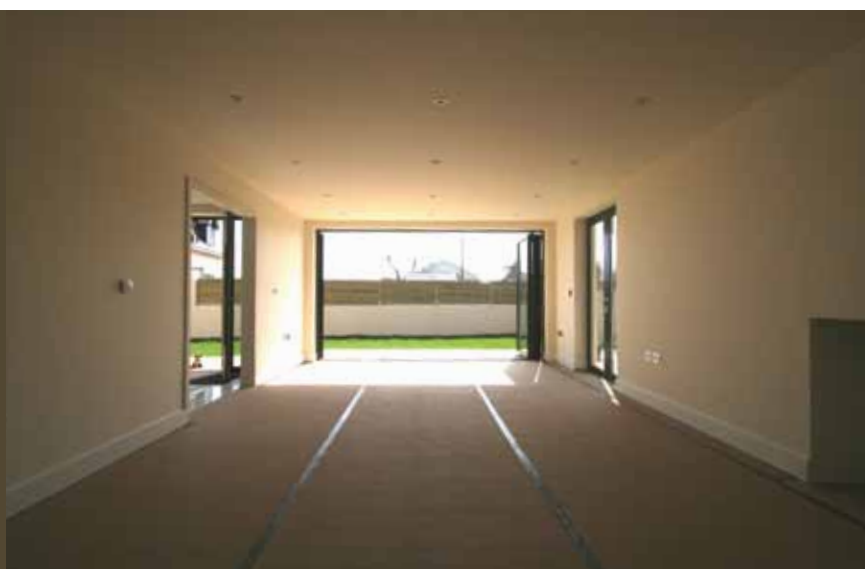
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Buying on Instinct

Recent research concurs with our own view that most buyers buy on instinct, typically viewing their eventual home no more than twice before making a decision to buy.

Buying a property certainly appears to be a decision of the heart over the head. In other words, the 'I'll know it when I see it' approach turns out to be quite reliable.

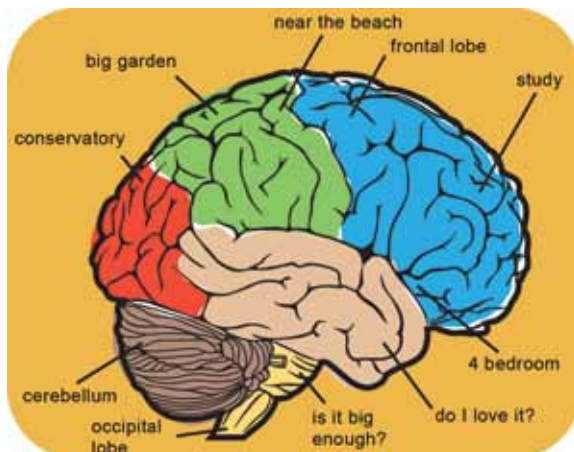
Despite the detail offered about their property by sellers when they instruct us to market their home, buyers actually register their preferences with a very broad brush indeed. They seldom, if ever, ask what type of boiler is at the property, or if there is a double wash basin in the bathroom or an aerial point in the sitting room before viewing it. These are small details which have little bearing on whether the buyer will find the property to be a suitable home.

Once certain non-negotiables, such as price, minimum amount of accommodation, and the general location of the property have been satisfied, buyers are primarily influenced by 'How does it feel?' and 'Could we be happy here?'. These elements are intangible, but if the right button has been pushed, virtually nothing will stop the buyer from wanting to buy the property.

Of course, the brain then tries to over-rule the heart, forcing the buyer to revisit the property, just to make sure. During this second viewing the buyer will take a more detailed look at the property, and may take more notice of the type of fittings and the structural condition.

The brain will usually decide whether to support the heart solely on the strength of this second visit and the buyer will either make an offer there and then, or decide against.

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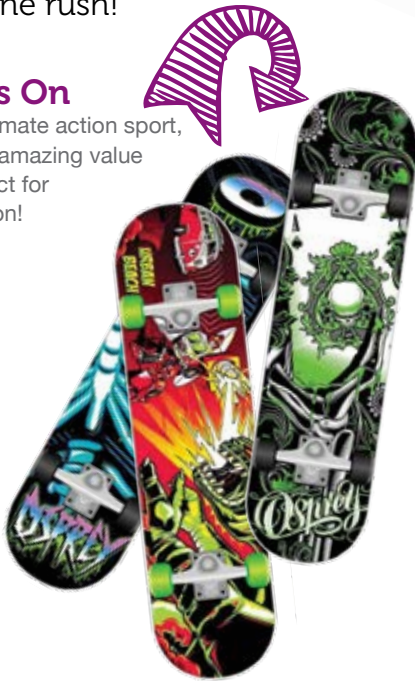


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"Everyone should... feel at ease", is how the designer duo Jehs+Laub describe their rotating lounge easy chair Shrimp.

At first, you see it and admire its sharp silhouette; the elegant outline results from flat cushions and a bentwood crustacean-like shell which is spring loaded for support.

You might think that the only place this could possibly live is a try-hard New York boutique hotel however the multitude of material combinations the chairs can come in definitely make them more home friendly. So if you know any bachelor types or couples with a streak of Scandinavian blood in them then let them know about these chairs because there is no denying they are definitely things of beauty.

Both its aesthetics and functionality were the primary reasons the Shrimp chair just won the Interiors Innovation Award 2011.

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This year's Jersey Architecture Awards snuck up on us a bit at Gallery. As they were towards the end of the month we thought we'd hang on and bring you the details of winners. If you didn't get down

to view the shortlists at Liberty Wharf, shame on you! We're always hankering after a more permanent page dedicated to the sleek world of structural design, so it was a great opportunity for us to show-

case images of the award-winning architecture, from the big and bold to the contemporary and curvaceous. Design always provokes debate, so read on to find out if the judges shared your opinion.



Best large scale development

Winner: Ogier House,
44 Esplanade, St Helier
Naish Waddington Architects

Highly commended:

50 La Colomberie, 40-50 La Colomberie,
1-5 Little Green Street, St Helier
Naish Waddington Architects

Commended:

Chateau Valeuse,
Rue de la Valeuse, St Brelade
Naish Waddington Architects

Shortlisted:

Dessous Les Houges, L'Etacq, St Ouen
BDK
Air Traffic Control Centre, Jersey Airport
States of Jersey
Le Capelain House, Castle Quay, St Helier
Axis Mason

Best small scale building or extension

Winner: El Tico
Grande Route des Mielles, St Peter
Richard Le Sueur Architects

Shortlisted:

Nitchevo, La Cache de l'Eglise, St Ouen
Paul Roberts
Soleil du Soir, Pontac Common, St Clement
Design+

Best refurbishment of a historic building

Winner: Liberty Wharf
St Helier
Axis Mason

Highly commended:

Gorey Methodist Chapel, Grouville
Barnes Collie
Commended: Le Voust, Rue du Blanc
Pignon, St Martin
Godel Architects

Shortlisted:

Highgrove House, Rue du Boulivot, Grouville
Naish Waddington Architects;
Blanche Pierre House, St Lawrence – *Page Architects*; and La Retraite, Le Mont du
Ouaisné, St Brelade – *Gallaher Architects*

Best small scale refurbishment / remodelling
Winner: Gorey Methodist Chapel,
 Grouville
Barnes Collie

Highly Commended:

The Mill Farm, Rue du Moulin, St Martin
Barnes Collie;

Shortlisted:

Hope Villa, Grande Route de la Côte, St
 Clement – *Page Architects;*
 La Caprice, Bagatelle Road, St Saviour –
Naish Waddington Architects;

Best landscape architecture
Winner: Durrell Visitor Centre,
 Trinity
Axis Mason

Shortlisted:

Kathryn Hay Memorial Garden, Victoria
 College Preparatory School, St Helier –
Michael Bravery

Best large scale refurbishment /remodelling
Winner: Liberty Wharf
Axis Mason

Highly commended:

Durrell Visitor Centre, Trinity
Axis Mason

Commended:

Le Hurel Self Catering Units, Route de la
 Trinité, Trinity
Page Architects



Best innovative and/or sustainable design
Winner: Durrell Visitor Centre,
 Trinity
Axis Mason

Highly commended:

Ogier House, 44 Esplanade, St Helier
Naish Waddington Architects

Best artwork in the public domain
Winner: 50 La Colomberie, 40-
 50 La Colomberie, 1-5 Little Green
 Street, St Helier
Naish Waddington Architects



Best unbuilt scheme

Winner: *Zephyrus, St Helier – Hopkins Architects*

Highly commended: Wesley Chapel, Wesley Street, St Helier – *Naish Waddington Architects*

Commended: La Braye Café, St Ouen – *Godel Architects*; and Zeelandia, Le Mont à la Brune, St Peter – *Godel Architects*

Shortlisted: Sunset Nurseries, Route du Moulin, St Peter – *Naish Waddington Architects*

Re:awarded

We thought we'd learn a little bit more about the awards so we caught up with David Cox, Department Architect and Advisor to the Minister for Planning & Environment.

What does the Jersey Architecture Commission (JAC) do, and why did they have these awards?

The JAC was set up by the Planning and Environment Minister as a design council, to oversee design quality on significant, and sometimes sensitive, development applications. A combination of views and advice from both the Planning and Environment Minister the JAC panel, and myself, are all considered to ensure that a balanced and comprehensive approach is taken. Essentially, the JAC provides independent, non statutory, expert advice and guidance, working with agents and developers to promote and support the highest possible standards of design in the built environment. The Jersey Architecture Design Awards used to be run by the Association of Jersey Architects (AJA), but when the JAC was formed, it was felt that their independent perspective would add value to the assessment process. I chair the judging panel, which is made up of a mixture of local and non-local experts,

which is important as it combines local knowledge with external perspectives and expertise. This year, the awards were judged by Jersey residents Margaret Thompson, Director of Thompson Estates, Peter Thorne RTPI, the former Director of Planning, Ian Rolls, local artist, and Rod McLoughlin, the Cultural Development Officer. Additionally, George Ferguson CBE, Professor David Watkins of Cambridge, Andy Theobald of Fielden Clegg Bradley (2008 Stirling Prize Winners), and Marcus Binney CBE, our Chairman, provided expert support.

How many entries did you receive?

This year we received 104 entries and the quality was exceptional.

What qualities did you look for in the winning entries?

We have a lot of different categories, all requiring different things, but overall we are looking for design excellence, which can be subjective, but which for the JAC generally includes attention to detail, appropriate application in the built environment, and consideration of the strategic development aims for the Island.

What are your views on the current state

of Jersey Architecture?

I think local architecture is of a good standard, and is improving, but we can't be complacent. What is interesting, is that at the moment there are so many great applications around that are not being progressed because of the current economic climate - over the next 10 years as these come back online, I'm expecting great things.

Why do you think it is important to recognise good design in Jersey?

Because we live on an island and space is limited, every building counts. People here care passionately about where they live, and we have a high level of engagement from the local community, so we need to do everything we can to get it right. Also, in the past there have been some buildings that are generally considered poor, and would not have been consented to under current guidelines and standards. By recognising good design, we maintain these standards.

What is your favourite building in the world?

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DANIEL LEZALA

IS AN ADMINISTRATOR AT SANNE GROUP

AGE: 22

POSITION: ADMINISTRATOR

UNI ATTENDED: EXETER

COURSE: PSYCHOLOGY

WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU WERE 8: A FIRE FIGHTING RED ARROW PILOT

FAVOURITE PLACE TO EAT: EL TICO

FAVOURITE WAY TO RELAX: WITH A COLD BEER AND GOOD FRIENDS

FAVOURITE NOISE: THE CROWD AT A LIVE SPORTS EVENT

What made you choose the company you work for?

Sanne offered me the opportunity to study towards a professional qualification while gaining invaluable experience in a wide range of fields, which is exactly what I was searching for after graduating. As a growing business, Sanne recognises my ambition and offers a friendly and helpful working environment which is dedicated to progression, providing continual learning and encouragement both in and out of the office.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently studying towards my ACCA qualification which I chose above other professional qualifications due to its international credentials and because it strongly relates to the path I wish my career to take. The range of subjects covered in the course means that it remains interesting and it's great to be able to apply what I have learnt in college to my day-to-day work.

What do you do on an average day?

It is difficult to describe my average day as it is incredibly diverse! I work in private wealth management so my day could include answering customers' varied requests, ensuring the smooth acquisition of new assets or preparing accounts, all of which I could never have imagined doing before joining Sanne. Whatever I do during my day, I always leave the office having learnt something new, which is both rewarding and refreshing.

What is your next step?

My sights are firmly set on completing my qualification. Leading up to and after that I look forward to exploring my opportunities within the company and with Sanne being an international business, I hope this will involve time in an office elsewhere in the world.

What advice would you give to a 2010/11 graduate considering the experience you have now?

Although Jersey can sometimes seem immune from the ongoing economic challenges, the job market here has certainly been affected. I would advise new graduates to be proactive in job hunting and to never turn down a job offer. Whatever you happen to be doing will be adding to your CV, so discard any preconceptions and use your time wisely.

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VICTORIA BOVINO

IS A SENIOR ASSOCIATE AT DELOITTE

AGE: 26

UNI ATTENDED: UNIVERSITY OF BATH

COURSE: PSYCHOLOGY

WHEN I WAS 8 I WANT TO: BE A BALLERINA

FAVOURITE WAY TO RELAX: HORSE RIDING

FAVOURITE PLACE TO EAT IN JERSEY: BASS & LOBSTER

What made you choose Deloitte?

Deloitte is one of the top accounting firms in the world and that is the main reason why I wanted to join them. The clincher for me was meeting with some of the Deloitte team during the interview process. They were all friendly and positive about the company and I think that was key in helping me decide that Deloitte was the place I wanted to work. The people who took me out were lovely and I now include them as some of my very good friends.

What professional training are you undertaking?

I am currently studying towards ACCA to become a Chartered Certified Accountant. Deloitte fully supports students throughout, paying for us to attend professional teaching at BPP Professional Education and allowing time off to take exams. Deloitte also provides additional support including in house training and buddy and mentor schemes, so you always have someone to turn to if you are finding the training challenging.

What do you do on an average day?

In audit every day is different and it completely depends on the client you are working on as to what a typical day looks like. I work on a lot of Private Equity Funds so the majority of my time is spent at clients' offices discussing the performance of the funds and investments and testing the figures in the financial statements to see if there are any material misstatements.

What's the next step?

The next steps for me are to pass the rest of my exams. As a worldwide organisation, there is the opportunity with Deloitte to work abroad on an overseas secondment and this is potentially something I would be interested in.

What advice would you give yourself as a 2010/11 graduate considering the experience you have now?

I would recommend trying to get as much work experience as possible before making a decision on the career path to follow. The finance industry is competitive and any work experience on a CV will show that you are committed in wanting to work in finance and it will also give you a chance to see if you want to work in that field. Deloitte has a very popular Summer Vacation Scheme which is a great way of having a go at the job without the commitment of a 3 year training contract! Things like that can be a very useful way to see if you would enjoy the job full time and if the industry is one you would want to work in.

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IS AN AUDIT ASSISTANT AT KPMG

AGE: 21

POSITION: AUDIT ASSISTANT

UNI ATTENDED: NONE

WHEN I WAS 8 I WANTED TO BE: A BALLERINA

FAVOURITE WAY TO RELAX: IN A BIG BUBBLE BATH

FAVOURITE PLACE TO EAT: EL TICO

FAVOURITE NOISE: THE RAIN ON THE ROOF WHEN I'M TUCKED UP IN BED

What made you choose the company you work for?

After finishing my A-levels at JCG, I secured a place at Kingston University to study Business Studies. However, I also went to all the available open days in Jersey and tried to gain as much work experience as possible. After seeing what was on offer at KPMG I decided against University because I liked the idea of combining work with study, but because Jersey is so insular they encouraged me to go travelling beforehand to gain life experience.

What sort of professional training do you take?

KPMG offered me the chance to complete the Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) qualification followed by a Chartered Accountancy qualification with the ICAEW. The CAT course takes a year and a half to complete and consists of four electronic exams and five written exams. After completing the ACA training and exams, which takes about two and a half years, you become fully qualified. The support from both KPMG and BPP, in terms of time and material provided, is fantastic and gives you every chance to succeed.

What do you do on an average day?

Due to the nature of the job my role is very diverse and everyday I learn something new. With the variety of clients, ranging from banks to charities, the work is varied and interesting. You may be working on your own or with a team of up to ten people. We work both in our office and out at client sites, which mean you get to meet and talk to a wide variety of people.

What is your next step?

My next step is to finish my exams and qualify as a chartered accountant. I completed my final three CAT exams in June and I start my ACA exams in September. The course will be hard work and so once I qualify I would like to look into any opportunities that might be available to do an overseas secondment somewhere.

What advice would you give to yourself as a 2010 graduate considering the experience you have now?

I would recommend work experience with as many different companies as possible. This allows you to meet people from different backgrounds and gain an insight into a variety of careers.

KPMG was the perfect environment to begin my working life and everyone was friendly and welcoming. KPMG is a big firm with a large intake each year; I met lots of people with the same goals. The CAT and ACA qualification is a very challenging and demanding process, so you need to be focused and prepared to work hard. That said it is a very rewarding and interesting job.

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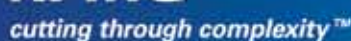
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LIANNE HINGSTON

IS AN ASSISTANT FUND ADMINISTRATOR AT
BEDELL GROUP

What made you choose the company you work for?

Two of my friends from school were employed by Bedell Group after completing their A Levels, during my time at university they suggested I apply for a job as an office assistant over the university holidays. I instantly felt at ease working in a large open-plan office environment, it is a pleasant, welcoming and professional place to work. During my time at Bedell as a student they were eager to ensure I gained the required skills and knowledge to carry out my responsibilities efficiently and accurately. I was fortunate enough to work in a range of departments within the Group including Private Wealth Management and Litigation before accepting a permanent role as a member of the Fund Administration team.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently working towards the Certificate in Fund Administration which is aimed at Administrators in the Funds Industry. Bedell support their staff with a range of qualifications depending on their role, they gave me guidance on the course that was most relevant to my career and that would enable me to progress further in my career. The course will provide me with an all round knowledge of the use of different structures of Funds in the Jersey Business environment. The course also takes an interesting approach by looking at why a client would choose Funds for their investment portfolio. One

AGE: 22

UNI ATTENDED: PLYMOUTH

COURSE: PSYCHOLOGY

WHEN I WAS 8 I WANTED TO BE: A SINGER

FAVOURITE WAY TO RELAX:

SUNBATHING ON THE BEACH WITH CLOSER MAGAZINE

FAVOURITE PLACE TO EAT: CORBIERE PHARE

FAVOURITE NOISE: THE SOUND OF CLINKING WINE GLASSES, BECAUSE THEN I KNOW IT'S FRIDAY!

particular module focuses on the practical administration of Funds and the main Fund documents an administrator works with on a daily basis.

What do you do on the average day?

Each day as an assistant fund administrator is different depending on the needs of the client. Perhaps the most important part of my day is the daily dealing of shares for public companies, updating share registers and issuing contract notes to the client. I maintain statutory records, report quarterly statistics to the JFSC and convene meetings, this includes telephone conference calls and Board Meetings. I am also required to attend Board meetings to assist with the taking of minutes. I have therefore been fortunate enough to experience a lot of client face to face interaction and have even been out for dinner with clients.

What is your next step?

I would like to continue gaining more responsibilities as an assistant fund administrator and go on to achieve professional qualifications relevant to my position. I know that Bedell Group will support me 100 percent as my career progresses and they will provide their guidance on the best route to achieving my aims as they have done so far.

What advice would you give to yourself as a 2010/11 graduate considering the experience you have now?

My advice to an undergraduate would be to gain as much experience in their area of interest as possible. Experience in a professional working environment is equally as important as a degree; do not leave it until the last minute! Potential employers will ask you to talk about your experiences in your past employment. Experience will also give an indication as to what you enjoy doing and you may find out that a certain career is not for you. Bedell Group is an ever growing company with a range of opportunities open to young enthusiastic school leavers and graduates.

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JOEL GIBBONS

IS A RESEARCH ANALYST AT ALTIS PARTNERS

AGE: 30
UNI ATTENDED: YORK
COURSE: ENGINEERING PHD
WHEN I WAS 8 I WANTED TO BE: A CRANE DRIVER
FAVOURITE WAY TO RELAX: SURFING / MOUNTAIN BIKING
FAVOURITE PLACE TO EAT: THE DICQ SHACK
FAVOURITE NOISE: LAUGHTER

What made you choose the company you work for?

I chose Altis because I've had ambitions to work in trading since college. This is why I chose to study engineering. I felt the quantitative and analytical skills you learn from a science-based course would be more beneficial to my career goal than an economics degree. I followed up with a PhD to really stand out from the crowd in a very competitive field.

What sort of professional training do you take?

In my role, learning is a continuous process. I am expected to be knowledgeable about all the latest fund management research in academic journals. Much of my time is devoted to learning new strategy, forecasting, risk and cost models. This is the most challenging part of my job because published strategies can be very complex.

What do you do on the average day?

I'm normally working on my research. This involves the simulation and development of novel trading strategies. The results may be used to reduce the fund's risk or increase expected profits. I am often required to perform analysis on the fund's existing strategy. Recently I have addressed questions such as 'can we use inter-market relationships to forecast prices?' and 'how can we benchmark our trading costs?'

What is your next step?

Hedge funds have a very flat structure, so there is not a conventional 'career ladder' for promotion within the firm. You don't start at an 'E' grade and hope to reach 'C' by the end of your career, so it is not the kind of environment for you if you aspire to grand job titles. In a hedge fund, you grow with the firm: promotion means doing the same type of job for much more money, because your knowledge and experience grows and you're good at what you do.

What advice would you give to yourself as a 2010/11 graduate considering the experience you have now?

Apply for as many jobs as possible and attend as many interviews as possible. Every interview builds your confidence and makes it more likely you'll get the job you really want. Practice aptitude tests online. They are used by many companies to screen candidates, and you want to be sure of getting a face-to-face interview. Before an interview, do as much research about the company as possible. This will allow you to ask sensible questions, which shows enthusiasm and interest. In the interview, never moan or complain about past work places.



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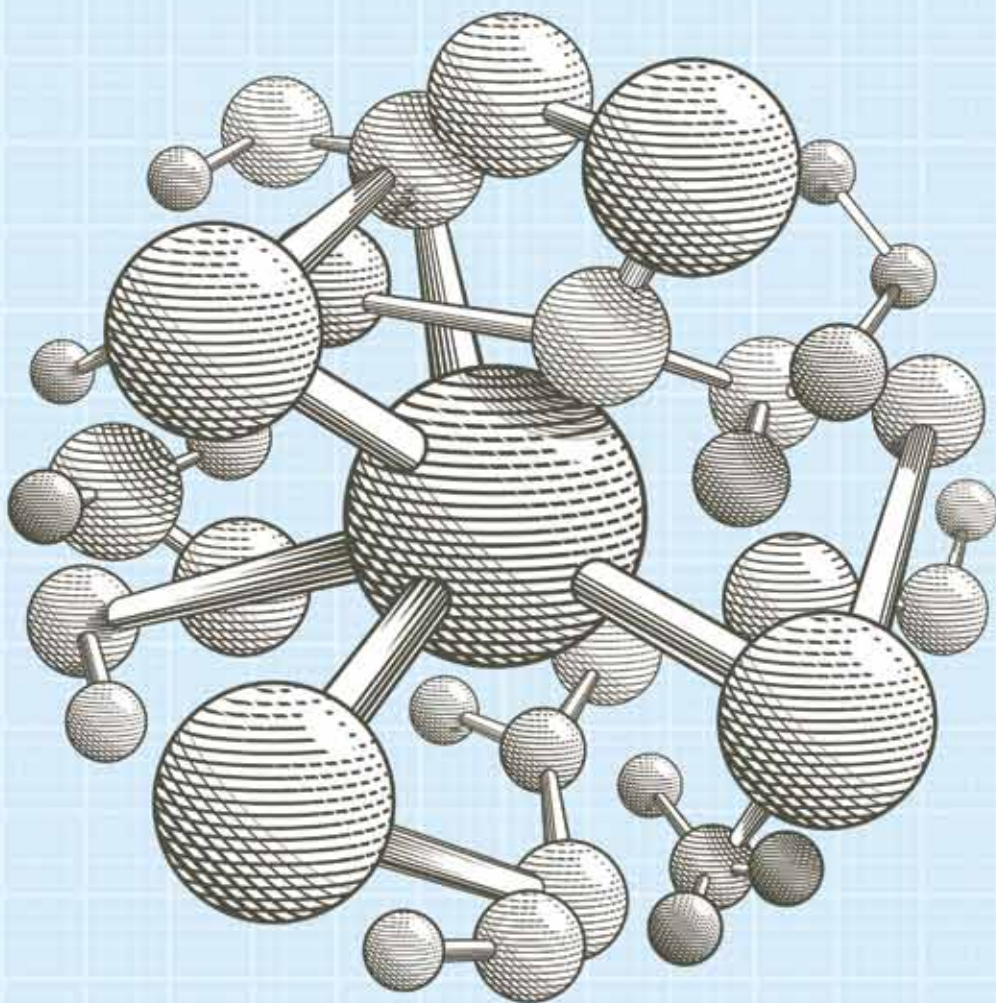
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THOMAS EVANS

IS A CONSULTANT AT C5 ALLIANCE

AGE: 21

UNI ATTENDED: HIGHLANDS COLLEGE, PLYMOUTH UNI

COURSE: IT FOR BUSINESS

WHEN I WAS 8 I WANTED TO BE: A GAMES DEVELOPER

FAVOURITE WAY TO RELAX: GAMING

FAVOURITE PLACE TO EAT:

THE HUNGRY MAN, ROZEL

FAVOURITE NOISE: I DON'T LIKE NOISE

What made you choose the company you work for?

One of the requirements for the degree programme I was enrolled on was to complete 24 weeks work with an organisation. Of the organisations that were offering work placements for the course, C5 Alliance caught my eye due to the highly technical nature of the work they do and their status within the Island as an IT firm. I am working for C5 full time when I finish my degree.

What sort of professional training do you take?

While as of yet I haven't taken any formal professional training, I have been mentored throughout my time with C5 Alliance on my degree program. C5 encourage all their staff to enhance their skills and I have been advised on the technical training courses they will send me on. I have also been suggested to train up my skills in giving presentations as these are very important to being able to give a convincing argument to clients as to why they should choose a solution as well as generally improving my client facing skills.

What do you do on the average day?

This is one of my most enjoyable parts of my job; there isn't really an average day! I have done so many different tasks while working with C5 Alliance that so far I couldn't claim to have had an average day. For the most part though the general areas I cover the most are troubleshooting and then solving the problem with my technical skills. Additionally I spend time working with clients trying to understand their needs to build them a better solution.

What is your next step?

I hope to continue working with C5 Alliance as the work is very interesting and it helps advance my technical and client facing skills quickly. I feel it would be useful to broaden my skillset so that I can be more useful as an employee. Also to obtain professional qualifications around my core skillset so I can assert more authority in these areas.

What advice would you give to yourself as a 2010/11 graduate considering the experience you have now?

The most important piece of advice that I would give to myself would be to work as hard as you can, pure talent isn't everything though obviously it helps make it easier. Your hard work will be noted more than your talent and as such you will be better respected by employers. Additionally I would say that you shouldn't focus on one specific area of your expertise as when you do so every other area tends to drop off the radar.

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A week in the life of...

Amy Bryant

Job:	Manager within the tax dept at PricewaterhouseCoopers CI Jersey Office
Lives in:	St Lawrence
Family Life:	Married to James, one cat
Loves:	Shopping, shoes and weekend lie-ins
Hates:	Being forced to do gardening

Monday

Must make sure I...

check in online for the flight tonight

In my diary...

9.00am - Funds team meeting
12.30pm - Lunch meeting with client
4.00pm - Preparation for trip to Frankfurt
5.00pm - Head to airport

How it went...

Today was a busy day. After the obligatory strong coffee, we start each week with a catch up meeting to discuss approaching deadlines and workloads – this is a great way to share experiences and motivate the team. I then had to do a bit of prep ahead of lunch with a client, just to get up to speed with where we are with the work we're doing for them, and think about any new developments which might impact them. This evening I'm heading to Frankfurt to go to a PwC network conference on FATCA. I'm really looking forward to it as it's a great way to build knowledge and meet other PwC staff who work in this area – but it does mean I need to spend a couple of hours swotting up on the legislation first!

Tuesday

Must make sure I...

speak to someone from the US office

In my diary....

9.00am - Travel from hotel to conference
9.30am - All day conference
12.30pm - Networking lunch
7.30pm - Flight back to London

How it went...

After a challenging journey on foot from the hotel to the conference centre (my map reading skills are appalling!) we start the conference with breakfast – brilliant! The next few hours are spent listening to updates on the FATCA provisions and the speakers sharing their client experiences and explaining what steps clients should be taking before the implementation date of 1 Jan 2013. Although this sounds like ages away, once I understand the volume of work required before then I realise how important it is to start speaking to clients about this. Lunch was a great opportunity to build up my contacts and network, I managed to get a fair few business cards! Caught up on some sleep on the flight back to London!

Wednesday

Must make sure I....

make time for coffee with a coachee

In my diary...

7.00am - Red eye flight back from London
12.00pm - Managers' meeting
4.00pm - Coffee with coachee
5.00pm - Draft proposal document
7.00pm - Head to the gym

How it went...

Argh – really early start. After the red eye from London I head into the office to catch up on emails from the day before. Have a really interesting email from a colleague in Manchester who wants us to draft a proposal document on the merits of moving a UK business to the Island, I'll tackle this later. At 12 we have a managers' meeting. Once a month the managers from Assurance, Advisory and Tax meet to discuss operational issues as well as business development – this month's was fairly short which was great as I still have loads to catch up on from yesterday. However I still wanted to make time to grab a coffee with one of my coachees. I try and do this regularly, just to make sure they're ok and give them a chance to chat through any concerns informally. Unfortunately at the end of the working day it's a trip to the gym, although I always moan about going, I enjoy it when I'm there!



Thursday

Must make sure I...

buy food for dinner

In my diary....

9.30am - Conference call
1.00pm - Lunch with the girls
4.00pm - Recruitment team meeting
7.00pm - Dinner at home with friends

How it went...

After a quick catch up with the team we have a conference call with the client – although it's great to head out and meet clients face to face, sometimes it's quicker to have a call, and in this case we had some urgent questions to address. It seems I'm at the age where lots of my friends are getting married or having babies, so I wanted to catch up for lunch with the girls, as now that my own wedding's over I'm living vicariously through them! After a good gossip it's back to the office for a recruitment team meeting. This is one aspect of my job that I really love. We take on about 30 graduates and school leavers across the CI firm annually, and that takes a fair bit of co-ordination, from attending milk-rounds at universities to reviewing CVs. We've got friends over for dinner tonight so it's a quick pop to the shops after work but luckily no-one notices that its Mr Marks and Spencer who have done the catering tonight!

Friday

Must make sure I...

head out for a drink with the team

In my diary....

9.00am - Prep for client presentation
12.00pm - Client presentation – lunch and learn
4.00pm - Planning for next week's trip to Guernsey
5.00pm - Well deserved team drink

How it went...

Along with Wendy, the team leader, I'm doing a presentation to a client today. It's on FATCA so I'm going to be able to put to good use the insight I gained at the conference earlier this week. Most of the morning is spent preparing for it, before heading over to the clients at 12. For some people no matter how many presentations they give they still find it quite nerve wracking, and I'm one of them! PwC is a cross Island firm which means that we work closely with our Guernsey colleagues. Next week I'm heading over to run some training for the Guernsey tax team so I spend my Friday afternoon writing up some slides and buying some sweets to keep energy levels up as we talk technical! As its been a hectic week we decide to go for a drink after work, the social side of the office is great and it means that the people I work with are friends not just colleagues.

My Weekend

Saturday

9.30am - Take the cat to the vet
2pm - Go for bike ride
4pm Spa afternoon with the girls
7pm - late dinner with James

Sunday

10am - Lie in - amazing
11am - Meet friends for brunch
3pm - Catch up on EastEnders
5pm - Check emails/diary for the next week

How it went...

Every now and then we have to take the cat to the vet for a check up, its such a mission, there's no way she's going in that travel box without a fight! After returning home and depositing a very angry cat in the lounge we decide to get some exercise and go for a bike ride to Corbiere. This afternoon I'm booked in for a pedicure and facial at the spa with the girls which is so relaxing, before heading out for dinner in St Aubin with James. Sunday is more of a lazy day with a lie in followed by brunch at St Brelades. This afternoon James is playing golf which gives me a chance to catch up on EastEnders – pure escapism! I also like to make sure I spend a bit of time planning for the coming week to give me a bit of a headstart in advance of another busy week!

'Working in tax at PwC means I have to be flexible with my time as I never know what the next project will entail – that's what makes the job interesting and challenging. But I always make sure that I have time to catch up with friends and family for lunch or a drink.'

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Nichehunters > James Trenholme & Brendan Lynch

So, tell us what inspired you to get this off the ground?

James: Since I came to Jersey 9 years ago people have been complaining about how hard it is to find a job and for companies about how hard it is to find people - it just seems crazy it's so hard in such a small place. So I've held a long-standing burning desire to improve the recruitment industry in Jersey, to stop it being so frustrating for users, slow, expensive and inefficient. 70% of jobs over here are filled by personal networking; with the increase in popularity of social networking globally it became obvious to me that technology and networking held the key to solving the recruitment issues found in the small niche financial services markets like Jersey and Guernsey.

Brendan: Well James and I got talking about his idea one day over a pint as these things often do. Generally I have to say that I was very happy with what I was doing at the time but I really fancied a new challenge and had always wanted to set up a successful business. I had pondered over a number of business ideas in the past but felt that this one could really work as something really struck a chord with me. My own personal experiences of finding jobs in Jersey through traditional methods had been pretty bad so I felt that a new alternative approach could really work.

What did you do prior to starting this business?

James: I've had a number of careers over the years, managing some pretty cool bars in London, a recruitment head-hunter in Technology/Financial Services and lastly in sales at Jersey Telecom

Brendan: I worked as a Service Delivery Manager for Jersey Telecom, which involved running a team of technical consultants and project managers delivering services to JT's corporate clients.

Did that teach you any lessons that helped you succeed?

NicheHunters is really a culmination of all of those experiences, but nothing compared to the things you learn by starting your own business. During the development of NicheHunters, we have used companies and individuals from around the world and in particular India and South Africa and my experiences have proved that the cultural differences are massive, especially in the business world. We are all motivated by different things and you really need to understand this in order for you to get what you want. We have learned the hard way that what you think might be understood and assumed may not always be the case.

What's the hardest lesson you've learnt since starting the business?

Leaving the small tasks until tomorrow, it's amazing how quickly they can grow and become major, expensive problems. Most of the development of NicheHunters has involved using companies and individuals from around the world such as India and South Africa and our experiences have proved that the cultural differences are massive which also translates into the business world. We are all motivated by different things and you really need to understand this in order for you to get what you want. We have learned the hard way that what you think might be understood and assumed may not always be the case.

Any funny stories that you have about the business starting out?!

After a week in India of 16-hour days, curry morning, noon and night, a case of Delhi belly and driving down motorways the wrong way we did ask ourselves 'What have we done to get here!'



What are your plans for the future?

More features to make recruitment easier and effective, 15 other offshore locations in 5 years and a lot of spin off ideas we are trying to ignore right now.

We hope fully to expand the NicheHunters concept into as many Offshore locations as we can over the next three years.

What advice would you give to would-be entrepreneurs?

Double your budget, it will take twice as long as you expect and be prepared for the time you wish you hadn't even started! It's your dream, follow it and pick advisors that support your dream not want to change it. Don't look back on your life in 20 years' time and say 'I wish that I had tried that'. Someone also once said to me that perceived risk is always worse than actual risk.

	James Trenholme	Brendan Lynch
Born	14 October 1974	9 August 1973
School	Thirsk Comprehensive, North Yorks	D'Hautree
Uni	Buckingham, BA Hons Psychology & Business	I didn't go to university
First job	Chopping and selling firewood at 11, my first business venture	Delivering the morning papers when I was 12
Car	'The Dog' a 1991 dark green Vauxhall Cavalier on its last legs!	VW Passat
Book	Just finished Stieg Larsson's Millennium Series	Currently reading The Undercover Economist
Music	I'm loving Black Eyed Peas and The Beatles this week	At the moment I've been listening to a bit of Cee Lo Green
Film	Leon	The Godfather (1)
Gadget	Anything Mac	Anything Apple
Last holiday	Spring in Paris last year	DUK visiting family
Enjoy	Family, friends, food and wine	Football, running, F1 & spending quality time with family and friends
Marital Status	Engaged to Agnieszka, we have two gorgeous boys	Married to Karin, with a daughter, Anna (3)

About the business:

* The idea behind NicheHunters is simple, to build an online networking solution that allowed jobseekers and employers to talk to each other directly, thereby speeding up the process and reducing costs; putting the two important parties in control. Research showed us companies attract talent by promoting their employer brand, which is different to their company brand. It's about their people, what's it like to work there, what does the business want to achieve etc and pushing this message to the spaces wherever the talent exists. By building networks with talent attracted to the employer brand at the core, you are always going to have a better personality fit than by looking at skills and experience alone. NicheHunters is designed to make this easy, just like using Facebook or LinkedIn but we have 'limited' the social element so people can't see network details, conversations and who you are following unless you want them to. It was critical to us to make a space where jobseekers were in control. On top of this we have added some fantastic tools to make finding and managing the recruitment process a whole lot easier.

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Ogier Property Prowess

A cross departmental Ogier team has acted for LXB Retail Properties plc, a Jersey-incorporated, closed-ended real estate investment company, in relation to the further placing of no par value ordinary shares on AIM and the CISX. LXB Retail Properties plc raised £110m. The proceeds will enable LXB Retail Properties to fund a £107m-£114m pipeline of new investments. Ogier advised on investment fund, corporate and CISX listing issues and was headed by partner Chris Byrne assisted by managing associate Niamh Lalor and associate Alexandra Rayner and was instructed by Macfarlanes. LXB Retail Properties plc is administered by Ogier Fund Administration (Jersey) Limited, with the team led by director Jane Pearce and assisted by Hollie Falle.

Bets are very much on.

Carey Olsen last month advised on the £265m acquisition of the Tote. A cross-practice team from Carey Olsen's Guernsey office has acted for Betfred in respect of its acquisition of the Tote bookmakers from the UK Government. Carey Olsen advised on the Guernsey and Alderney aspects of the acquisition which included transactional, licencing and regulatory matters. Betfred, established in 1967, is the world's largest owner-operated bookmaker with over 840 retail outlets and an online betting facility. The deal includes the exclusive seven year licence to operate the pool betting facilities at 60 UK race courses, the purchase of 517 high street bookmakers and the online business. The team from Carey Olsen included corporate partner Christopher Anderson, litigation partner Mark Dunster and senior associates Richard Field and Tony Lane.

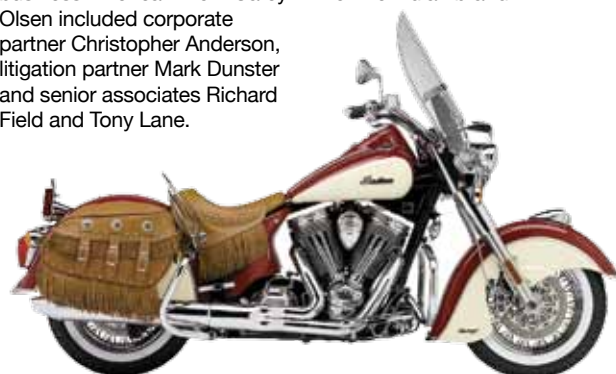
Our Island law firms have been in action recently for some big deals. Here are a few of them.

Mourant advise on Indian Motorbikes.

It's not exactly as it sounds. Get those images of dodging cows on mopeds in Mumbai out of your mind. Mourant Ozannes has, in fact, advised on the sale of Indian Motorcycles, the iconic American motorcycle business. The business was acquired from Indian Motorcycle Limited, a Jersey company advised by Stellican Limited and Novator Partners LLP, by Polaris Industries Inc., the New York Stock Exchange listed vehicles maker. Mourant Ozannes partner James Hill led a team advising Novator Partners, a London based alternative investment firm, on the sale. Indian Motorcycles built America's first motorcycle and in the early twentieth century was the world's largest manufacturer of motorcycles.

Mr Thor Bjorgolfsson, founder of Novator Partners and an avid motorcycle enthusiast, commented: "After a troubled past, our goal was to bring the legendary Indian bikes back on the roads. The initial phase of that project is done and now our great partners at Polaris will carry on the work to realize the full potential of this classic American brand."

Stephen Julius, chairman of Indian Motorcycles and managing director of Stellican, added: "We are delighted to have reached an agreement with Polaris. Polaris will utilise its well-known strengths in engineering, manufacturing, and distribution to complete the mission we undertook upon re-launching the brand in 2006: harness the enormous potential of the Indian brand."



[Movers&Shakers]



Advocate Susan Pearmain appointed as bâtonnier

Appleby is pleased to announce that Advocate Susan Pearmain was elected as the new Bâtonnier of the Jersey Bar by her fellow Bar members at the beginning of June.

Advocate Pearmain practices as a Senior Associate within the Litigation & Insolvency group at Appleby and will continue to specialise in criminal and family law Advocacy.

The Bâtonnier is the Head of the Jersey Bar and is appointed for a period of three years to lead the Bar and oversee its interests. Advocate Pearmain takes over from Advocate Anthony Olsen, who is about to be sworn in as a Jurat of the Royal Court of Jersey. Susan will be responsible for administering the Island's legal aid which is delegated to the Acting Bâtonnier, currently Advocate Dionne Gilbert. Advocate Pearmain will determine appeals in relation to the granting or refusal of legal aid. The Bâtonnier is an ex-officio member of the Committee of the Law Society of Jersey. She will represent the Bar on ceremonial occasions.

Susan is currently Chairman of the Jersey Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs. For many years she was on the Board of Examiners for Jersey Advocates and Solicitors, examining on family law and succession. She is a Notary Public and she was regularly an Examiner for those wishing to qualify in Jersey as Notaries Public. She is Procureur du Bien Public for the Parish of St Clement and a Trustee for the Lloyds TSB Foundation for the Channel Islands.



DCG welcomes experienced director to corporate and capital markets

David King has joined DCG as a director of corporate and capital markets where he will expand and develop a new range of structures for corporate and institutional clients in the global market.

Mr King has nearly 25 years' experience working in the offshore marketplace across Cayman, Hong Kong, Luxembourg and Jersey.

A Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, Mr King has worked in Jersey for six years, most recently for Standard Bank as head of corporate fiduciary, specialising in debt capital markets and structuring vehicles in emerging markets. Mr King is a director on a number of Jersey-based mutual funds.

Sue Fossey, managing director of DCG Corporate Services, commented:

"This is a key appointment to the board of DCG, enabling us to build on the successful growth of our corporate and capital markets services by harnessing David's extensive experience, particularly in emerging markets, at a time when capital markets business is enjoying a resurgence in activity"

Mr King is a keen sailor and participates in many outdoor pursuits. He lives in St. John with his wife and two sons.



Institute of Directors appoints Jason Laity as new Jersey Chairman

Jason is a Partner of KPMG in the Channel Islands and is well known in the local financial services community as a commentator on tax matters relating to offshore structures.

Jason takes over from Gary Drinkwater who has been in the role for three years. He said: "The IoD in Jersey is an integral part of the business community, regularly representing its concerns to Government and providing business support and networking opportunities for its members." "I hope to continue the excellent progress Gary has made over the past few years and will endeavour to work with our IoD members in leading the debate on important issues that affect the business community in Jersey."

Jason was educated in Jersey and is now a Chartered Tax Advisor, Chartered Accountant and Accounting Technician with over 23 years' experience advising on tax matters. He has been a member of the IoD committee and chaired the tax-sub-committee since 2005. He has also sat on the committee of the local branch of the Chartered Institute of Taxation.

Jason is married with two young (and noisy) children with whom he is sharing a long-suffering passion for Liverpool FC.



In case you were in any doubt about where he works, Andy had his photo taken next to the sign.

New Head for Standard Chartered Jersey's Intermediary Team

Standard Chartered Jersey has appointed Andy Carroll to lead its expanding Intermediary team. Andy has over 20 years' banking experience, predominantly within corporate and private banking, having held senior positions within Barclays Wealth and more recently AIB. Andy will head a team responsible for growing the Bank's presence in this growing segment where the Bank is able to provide treasury, credit and investment solutions to its intermediary clients as well as being able to offer the wider capabilities and resources of the Standard Chartered Group.

Lisa turns life around to become a tree surgeon

Unemployed Lisa Godinho from St. Helier has turned her life around with help from youth charity The Prince's Trust.

The 21-year-old, who was out of work for more than a year, is now training to become a qualified tree surgeon after taking part in a Prince's Trust course.

Lacking motivation and unemployed, Lisa was starting to worry about her future before joining the Prince's Trust Team programme in St. Helier.

Lisa said: "Being out of work really got me down. I had nothing to get up for in the morning and started to drink heavily just to ease the boredom."

Lisa applied for hundreds of jobs but never heard anything back.

She said: "I felt like I was stuck in a rut and I didn't know how to get out of it."

However, Lisa was determined to do something positive with her life and jumped at the chance

to join The Prince's Trust Team programme, a 12-week personal development course run in partnership with Jersey Youth Service.

Ten other young people took part in the course, which gives unemployed youngsters the skills and confidence to find work.

The course was supported by Mourant & Co Trustees as Trustee of The Amazon Trust to help unemployed young people from Jersey into work or training.

Ian James, director of Mourant and Co. Trustees Limited, presented the young people with their certificates at a presentation evening in St Helier on Wednesday (18th May).

As part of the course, Lisa and the other young people took part in a community project building a woodcraft school for the Jersey Youth Service. They also went away on a residential week in the New Forest, which helped them to improve their confidence and teamwork skills.

Lisa said: "I gained so much from the Team programme. It gave me something to get up for, something to look forward to every day. It made me really determined to get back into work and make something of my life."

Like all young people on the Team programme, Lisa took part in a two-week work placement. She said: "I love being outdoors so I was really

happy to get a placement with a local tree surgeon. After only a few hours, I was offered an apprenticeship there and will start training to become a qualified tree surgeon on Monday." (23rd May)

Lisa said: "I had never thought of becoming a tree surgeon before but I quickly discovered I really enjoyed it."

Molly Zoeller, fundraising manager for The Prince's Trust in the South West, said: "The Prince's Trust is grateful for the continued support in the Channel Islands from The Amazon Trust, State Street and Mourant Ozannes."

"We are now calling on other local authorities, private sector organisations and individuals to help us provide the support that disadvantaged young people in the Channel Islands so desperately need."

Youth charity The Prince's Trust helps change young lives. It gives practical and financial support, developing key workplace skills such as confidence and motivation. It works with 14- to 30-year-olds who have struggled at school, have been in care, are long-term unemployed or have been in trouble with the law. More than three in four young people on Prince's Trust schemes move into work, training or education.



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[Movers&Shakers]



T & G Limited appoints new managing director

Civil and structural engineers T & G Limited has appointed Sara Devitt as managing director as part of its recent management restructuring.

She takes over from Ian Bashforth who becomes Chairman of the T & G Group of companies and will now have specific responsibility for developing potential new markets.

Ms Devitt began her career with Ove Arup & Partners in London where, among other prestigious projects, she was a member of the team employed on the redevelopment and refurbishment of the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden.

She then set up her own practice, which she ran successfully for a number of years, before moving to Jersey. A qualified SER certifier, she has since overseen/managed a number of luxury and high end residential projects in Jersey, including Les Relais des Mielles in St Ouen, Le Couperon development at Rozel, a mixed use development in Halkett Place and The Atrium in St Brelade.



New addition to Horizon Investments

Horizon Investments, the investment management division of Horizon Group, has appointed Matt Le Cornu as Associate Director. Matt, who specialises in the research and analysis of direct asset classes such as equities, bonds and ETFs, will complement the expertise in alternative assets and commodities already available at Horizon.

A graduate of Hull University with a BA (Hons) in Business Studies, Matt is also a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Securities and Investments and is currently studying for the 3rd level of the Chartered Financial Analyst accreditation. Matt, whose father is Jersey-born, was born in Portsmouth and lived in the UK before moving to Jersey in 2003. He lives in St Helier and enjoys scuba diving (he's a qualified instructor) and rock climbing as well as the odd game of football.



Bolstering the Global Enterprise Team

The Jersey Telecom Group has strengthened its Global Enterprise Team with the appointment of three senior consultants: Alan Richardson joins to head up the team as service delivery manager meanwhile Dobromir Gospodinov and Simon Watkins join as senior technical consultants.

Alan Richardson joined the Jersey Telecom Group in April as service delivery manager to oversee a team of nine network design and project management consultants within the Global Enterprise Team. He has 25 years experience working for global computing organisations that include Capgemini. He lives in St Helier with his wife and family.

Dobromir Gospodinov and Simon Watkins have both joined as senior technical consultants responsible for managing major installations, providing specialist technical support and investigating new technologies and solutions. Dobromir is one of only 1000 people in the world to have attained the Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert (CCIE) qualification.

Simon Watkins has worked for a large, local, IT services provider for the past 12 years, acquiring extensive experience as a senior communications consultant responsible for designing, implementing and project managing highly complex IP network solutions.

Collas Crill to launch Singapore office

Collas Crill will become the first Channel Islands based law firm to open an office in Singapore in the third quarter of this year. The announcement comes just two months after Collas Crill was formed by the merger of Collas Day in Guernsey and Crill Canavan in Jersey. Sean Cheong, a partner in Collas Crill's Guernsey office, will relocate to Singapore to head up the new office, which will practise Guernsey and Jersey law.

The move into a new jurisdiction is Collas Crill's response to demand from institutional and private clients in Asia for Channel Islands legal services, particularly in corporate, funds and trusts. The firm will also offer Guernsey fiduciary services through Guernsey Trust Company, which is majority owned by the partners of Collas Crill.

Sean Cheong said: "We are very excited to be the first Channel Islands law firm to set up in Singapore. We feel it is important to be able to support our clients who have operations in the region. It also gives us a great opportunity to access the emerging markets from a well established hub."

Sean Cheong, originally from Malaysia and qualified to practise in Malaysia, England and Wales and Guernsey, is a regular visitor to Singapore and other jurisdictions in Asia, having been actively involved in Guernsey Finance initiatives in recent years, particularly in Hong Kong and China.

Singapore was the fastest growing Asian economy in 2010 and Asian stock markets and investors are benefiting from quicker rates of economic growth than are being seen in Western markets.



CISX International Business Summit Moves to London

The Market Authority of the Channel Islands Stock Exchange (CISX) is pleased to confirm that its third International Business Summit will be held in London in September this year. The venue is the prestigious Mansion House in the City of London, home to the Lord Mayor of London.

The Business Summit is an annual macro-economic conference with high profile, expert speakers from around the globe offering delegates thought-provoking presentations and debates on today's most important economic and financial issues.

There will be a number of leading economists taking part in the programme including specialist commentators from Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank and Lombard Street Research. In addition to a range of individual speakers such as Barbara Cassani, who will address the audience on the topic of "Remembering How to Grow", three panel sessions are scheduled during the day in which leading economists and investment commentators will debate some of the pressing issues of the day led by panel mediator Anthony Hilton, award winning financial journalist and currently finance editor of the London Standard newspaper. The first will examine structuring products and consider benchmarking and innovation; the second panel will focus on world markets and opportunities for liquidity; and the third panel will consider mega trends and infra-structure.

A number of leading firms have already been confirmed as major supporters for the event including BNP Paribas, Carey Olsen, Mourant Ozannes and Ogier. In addition Mourant Ozannes, Deutsche Bank, DCG and Guernsey Finance have sponsored some of the individual speakers and panel sessions.

As Mansion House is able to accommodate only 300 delegates in total, those wishing to secure their place for the day are advised to make early contact with the conference organisers at the CISX.



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Can you cure a fear of heights?

I consider myself the ideal person to write a feature for Gallery's adrenaline issue. I can't claim to skydive, rock climb or race motorcycles - instead my qualification for this task proceeds from the ability to produce adrenaline in situations that wouldn't faze most small children. I'm like one of the X Men, but my superpower is anxiety. Crowds, enclosed spaces and clowns all horrify me, but most of all I hate heights - I get dizzy when I have to stand on a chair.

So, in the interests of journalism, I thought I'd have a go at "curing" my fear of heights. I've heard of people parachuting and bungee jumping to get over their phobias, but I had visions of myself refusing to leave the aeroplane, eventually jettisoned like an icicle of frozen urine. I wanted to start a bit closer to ground level, and luckily the staff at Creepy Valley Activity Centre were confident they could handle me and as many wusses as I could round up. After a few days of cajoling people on Facebook, my party mysteriously shrunk from an 'interested' twenty to a 'committed' five, but I was able to look on the bright side - it just meant fewer witnesses in the event that I peed myself.

King of the swingers

I chose Creepy Valley because the site is well-tailored to a variety of abilities - I'd assumed that any location that can cater to kids as young as seven would be manageable by most adults, even nervous ones. I didn't count on the fearless spirit of youth, spurring children half my height to throw themselves into experiences that I get queasy merely writing about.

The helpful, endlessly tolerant instructors recommended three challenges of varying altitude and terror, all of which can be combined with activities such as climbing, abseiling and aerial trekking, a vertiginous jungle gym which has different heights depending on how brave you're feeling. Sadly, this was closed for maintenance the day of our visit, so our first challenge was the King Swing - the traditional playground favourite redesigned for the stars of Jackass. Strapped safely into a harness, you will watch as your sniggering companions slowly hoist you backwards into the air, before you pull a release cord and shoot downwards at speeds of up to 50 mph. Contrary to appearances, this is a great first step to dry underwear - you're lifted up quite gradually and the sturdiness of the harness means that any danger

feelings remain acceptably outside brown trouser town.

One of my victims, sorry, volunteers managed to locate the confidence to be lifted all the way to the top, and by the time my wife was unstrapped she was beaming like I'd just bought her a box of chocolates. Unfortunately, when it came to my turn I begged my lifters to stop less than halfway up, a decision I was to regret the minute I prayed to the valley spirits and yanked the release cord. Yes, the adrenaline was there, as was my girlish shrieking, but the sensation is extremely pleasant, a smooth descent like the rope swings in St Catherine's woods but minus the danger of bum splinters.

Zip a dee doo dah

Next up was the Zipwire, which enables you to fly across the entire site whilst suspended on a length of wire, like Data in The Goonies but without crashing into a pile of bins at the end. It doesn't look terrifying from the ground, but the height of the tower is twelve metres, which reduced me to a quivering wreck by the time I was halfway up the stairs. My condition was not helped by a comprehensive goading from children small enough that they would probably just float down if they fell off.

For aerial cowards, the view from the top of the tower is so steep that one of our party almost threw up, but was nonetheless coaxed by our patient instructor into a wailing journey between the trees. The staff did a fantastic job of giving us that extra bit of confidence, helped by the fact that the harness on your back is so secure that the largest sensation of falling you experience is actually the four inch step down towards the edge of the platform. I really wanted to slink back down the stairs, but rather than face the accusing eyes of children I opted to harness up and step off the edge, and was swiftly amazed at how afraid I wasn't. Yes, I may have made some stupid noises, but I shot over

Creepy Valley like a sweaty-palmed Superman and ended up enjoying the sensation so much I would have quite happily had a second go if the opportunity had presented itself. For a man who gets vertigo playing Mario Galaxy, I really felt this was something of an achievement. Perhaps my fear of heights was cured?

Go Go Powerfan

Well, I've learned that you should never overestimate yourself. At the end of a session, the instructors will usually encourage you to take one of two ways back down to the ground. The Zipwire is the first, but for those who fancy something a little more direct there is the Powerfan jump. With your harness connected to a special mechanism, you walk to the end of a plank and step out clear into space, plummeting 12 metres downwards until the machinery slows your fall and lightly touches you to the ground.

I'm ashamed to say that my new-found confidence only stretched so far, and I wasn't able to bring myself to experience the undoubted adrenaline rush offered by the Powerfan jump, or even to watch it from close by. The Zipline lets you focus off into the distance, effectively ignoring the drop below you until you're zooming over it, whereas in the case of the Powerfan it's the very nature of the drop that provides the thrills.

From below, you can admire how cleverly the apparatus works to keep you safe even as you're in freefall, but the logical part of my brain merely dived under the blankets when it came to my turn to try it for myself. I watched adults screaming as they shot downwards, and tiny children stepping out with barely a fuss, but even thinking about it now is making me dizzy.

Ground force

I'm proud to say that I emerged from Creepy Valley without requiring a change of underwear, but the question remained: were I and my group any less afraid of heights? A short poll reveals that the answer is a hesitant 'maybe'. Despite wussing out of the Powerfan jump, the moment where I stepped off the tower onto the Zipline was incredible, but it must be said that the disarming confidence of the instructors made us braver than we would have been if we were forced to scale cliffs or walk a tightrope. The fact that I'd happily repeat the experience means that I must have made some progress, but I won't be shopping for a parachute just yet.

Will's group faced their fears at Creepy Valley Activity Centre. Try it yourself at www.creepervalley.je



gallery guinea pig

Everybody goes surfing...



Having moved to Jersey from a big city a few years ago I fairly quickly took the rather clichéd step of learning to surf. Actually, in reality I took the first and easiest two mini-steps - I bought a wetsuit and the kind of board that seems to make more accomplished surfers walk just slightly ahead of me on our way down to the shore.

However, I am able to effortlessly reel off virtually every memorable quote from the early 90s classic, Point Break, and I do have a moderately sun-tanned face, so up until the critical moment at which I enter the water I can just about pass as a surfer (that last part of the image is actually due more to golf than surfing, a fact that would see me banished from beaches across the surfing world, but since I am writing under a pseudonym I feel it can be safely included).

Anyway, the key point to this rather extended introductory waffle is that despite my half hearted efforts to look and act the part, ultimately I am still unable to stand up on a surf board, thus was delighted when Gallery Magazine offered me a much needed surf lesson with the guys at Laneez Surf Centre.

As I pulled into the Laneez/El Tico shared car park with Jack Johnson gently strumming away on the car stereo for chilled out authenticity, I was met with the sight of

30 or so Swedish foreign exchange students (steady chaps...mostly male and in their early teens) readying themselves for an aquatic battle.

I was immediately struck with the terrifying thought that I had been stitched up and would be joining their group lesson. Having squared away with my ego a one-on-one display of surfing ineptitude, the thought of full-scale humiliation in front of a much larger audience consisting of unsympathetic teenagers (think Inbetweeners) was unimaginable. Luckily, as I was vowing through gritted teeth to never peruse an issue of Gallery ever again, Nina and Cole (two of Laneez's Surf Instructors) heroically frog marched my would-be-tormentors safely down to the beach, leaving me in the calming company of my Instructor, Dan.

As we strode down to the water I tried to explain my problem. Paddling out is easy. Floating around expertly spying waves on the horizon, whilst making small talk with the guy next to you about sky diving or bank robbery, is also a doddle. I can even catch more waves than I miss. It is however, at that point, as I am hurtling along with my body still flat to the board, that it happens. The attempted 'pop-up'. For the non-surfers amongst you this can best be described as a momentary fit of flailing limbs and gargled expletives in which you are involuntarily



Instructors Dan (holding Tallula who they say runs the place), Cole and Nina.

transferred from board to water, left dazed with seawater spouting from every facial orifice, wondering what on earth just happened.

Unbelievably, Dan's well-trained eye was able to make some sense out of the chaos unfolding before him. With five or six minor adjustments, he had me doing what had previously seemed impossible - standing on a surfboard as it was propelled to the beach, by a wave! The remaining half an hour of the lesson was sheer bliss as I repeated my gargantuan feat, admittedly often less than perfectly, to my heart's content.

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Mourant Dress it up Ship Shape

Mourant Ozannes enjoyed success for the second year in a row at the Manches Cup sailing regatta in the UK last week.

Fourteen members of staff from the firm's offices in the Cayman Islands, Guernsey, Jersey and London came together to form two crews for the annual event.

The Manches Cup, now in its 21st year, is one of the largest regattas in the yachting calendar and a major sporting fixture for the UK legal community. It brings together over 300 lawyers from the UK, with five of the top ten UK law firms entering 12 teams between them.

The crews also scooped the 'Best Fancy Dress' prize for their striking Top Gun outfits at the Stars of Hollywood themed Fancy Dress Ball held on the Saturday night, beating tough competition from other crews representing Hollywood favourites.

Last year, crews from the firm finished first and third in the Division Three handicapped cruising, non-spinnaker division.



The Wimbledon Wonderer

Richard Krajicek, who won the 1996 men's singles title at Wimbledon, the only Dutch player to have ever done so, will be returning to the island in June, thanks to ABN AMRO Bank N.V. Jersey, to continue his support for the development of junior training in the sport.

The tennis star, ranked number four in the world in the 1990s, was first in Jersey last summer. This month, Richard, who was ranked number 4 in the world in the 1990s, will be visiting Les Mielles Tennis Club once again where he is planning to spend the morning coaching selected groups of juniors.



Ogier take First Place

This year the Rotary Golf Day, sponsored by Cable & Wireless Communications, raised over £8,000 for the Stroke Association in Jersey. Ogier took first place after beating 18 other teams in the event.

It's estimated that 125 Jersey people have a stroke each year and there are around 400 people living with a lasting disability caused by suffering a stroke. The money raised from the annual Charity Golf Day will help provide vital support to people on the island who are affected by strokes.

Put the Yo in Yoga!

Durrell are holding exclusive yoga lessons every Wednesday from 6th July to 7th September from 6:30 - 7:45. So you can go and experience yoga this summer in the truly unique surroundings of Durrell Wildlife Park.

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Adrenalin Issue Profile

Richard Payne

< Mountain Biker >



So, what got you into mountain biking?

I'm not sure really, me and my friends use to mess around on our bikes building little jumps and things and I think we just progressed from there always wanting to go bigger and faster.

Jersey's obviously struggling on the 'mountain' front. How do you make up for it?

I travel away a lot to France and the UK to ride.

This month is the 'adrenaline' issue. What's your most hair-raising experience since you've been racing?

Hmm, I think it's got to be when I raced my first World Cup race. I felt way out of my depth and the track was super hardcore but also anytime I hit up a new jump it's fun and gives you a buzz.

It's a dangerous sport, someone we know smashed their helmet pretty badly recently, how do you avoid injuries?

Ha ha, you can't, it's just part of the sport and you get used to it. The only thing you can do is wear a good helmet and loads of pads.

What's the worst you've had? I broke three ribs by going over the handlebars and I've knocked myself out a fair few times.

No doubt it's all worth it for the rush, what's your best experience been?

Definitely racing World Cups, it's just a whole different level of riding and all the hype behind it is amazing

Where would you most like to go and ride in the world?

Peru!

And what's the best place in Jersey?

Around Greve de Lecq woods is awesome and so is Egypt woods but there are loads of other good un-nameable places as well.

What should anyone interested in getting into mountain biking do to meet like-minded people?

The best bet is to get hold of one of the local bike shops (I recommend jerseybikerepairs.com) and they'll point you in the right direction or if you go to one of the places above on a Sunday afternoon there's normally people out riding around there.

Adrenaline Issue Profile

Jan Battrick

<Surfer>



Ian has been a professional free surfer for the last fifteen years, he has developed a reputation as a modern day adventurer, preferring spending months in some of the last wildernesses on Earth rather than on easy surf trips.



Editor of The Surfer's Path Magazine, Alex Dick-Read, had this to say about him in a recent profile "Are you the solo-wanderer type, like Ian Battrick? The kind whose companions on the road are a small

tent, a mosquito net or a 6mm wetsuit, an iPod and a well loved quiver of boards? You spend as little as possible and stay for as long as you can. You make plenty of friends out there - fellow travellers and friendly natives - but you're essentially a free radical, beholden to no one, bound to no place or schedule. Malaria, guns, bears - whatever."

Ian has had to fight off bears in Canada, camped through volcanic eruptions in Iceland, and has sat for literally months at a time on the edge of jungles and islands in Indonesia in search of perfect waves.

Every year, Ian and two friends get dropped off in the Canadian wilderness by boat (as there is no other possible way

to access it) at a very far out and remote wave they know about, telling the boat driver, 'please come back in six weeks time'. It is a good couple of hours away from any kind of habitation, so they take everything they need for the stay. "We just get dropped off with a few things - the boards, wetsuits, tents, and some supplies we hope the bears won't be interested in... and a gun. You are pretty out there, no telephone reception or way of leaving in an emergency or if anything happened... and even if you had a boat there ready, it is hours from the nearest help. But the wave can be perfect and you are 100% guaranteed you won't see another person."

On his most recent expedition, bears raided the camp during the second week whilst they were out surfing, eating all their supplies for the next month, as well as chomping into surfboards, wrecking tents and anything else that took their fancy. "It wasn't a problem, after that we were just living off the land, catching fish, picking the gooseneck barnacles off the reef, shooting and getting the odd duck or goose on the fire and drinking the river water. The salmon run was also on at the time, so we were catching salmon barehanded out of the river at times too. Every day we would have bears and cougars in and around the camp when we were out of the water, and killer whales and sealions around when we were in the water. It's out there, but well worth it for the waves and camping with just your friends."

Ian, along with friends Anthony Dorgan, Ryan Lewis and photographer Tim Nunn have just set up an online surf/travel shop lunasurf.co.uk It has been specifically designed to meet the needs of adventurers and anyone travelling from a weekend away, to explorers, as well as supplying the needs of the modern surfer. It stocks all the accessories you'll need to hit the road: First Aid Kits, sun block, luggage, dry bags, key safes, light weight micro fibre towels, surfboard fins, leashes, deck pads, repair kits, free standing mosquito tents/nets, roof racks/straps, car seat covers, wetsuits, warm weather clothing to cold weather and thermal gear... and a whole lot more.

Over the next few months the content on the site will grow from contributors across the world. Showcasing photos and trips exclusively available through Lunasurf alone, you will see a very personal insight into some of the hardest core surf explorers on the planet.

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Mourant Ozannes have sponsored the

popular Relay Race this year making it bigger and better than ever before. The Relay Race is now open for sign ups from the website www.jersey-marathon.com and the earlier you get in, the cheaper it is to enter, so don't delay!

The Relay Race starts at 9.30am on Sunday 2nd October and runs along the main Jersey Marathon route. The course takes you through some of the Island's most scenic country lanes, picturesque valleys and alongside the beautiful Jersey coast.

Your team cheerleaders (we want lots of those!) can hear all your progress live from the BBC commentators who are based at the Marathon Village at The Weighbridge. The covered village will be open for two days and will be a runner's dream! It will house all runners' support

services, hospitality and retail outlets as well as provide assistance for all those who have an interest in running and fitness and are looking for advice on diet and training.

Also new this year will be the introduction of the 'Corporate Cup Campaign'. Teams from the same business sectors will be able to battle it out in the following categories; The Bank Cup, The Law Cup, The Trust Cup, The Accountant Cup and the Media / Communication Cup. It's set to be a fun and challenging battle this year as corporate teams vie for the prestige of winning a trophy whilst also supporting a much loved community event and raising valuable funds for deserving charities.

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Adrenaline Issue Profile

Steve Harben

<Skateboarder>



Yes, it is as high and far as it looks. Full commitment and a good dose of adrenalin required if you're going to ollie down 12 feet onto plyboard. He landed it too.

How old were you when you first took to four wheels?

I was 11 years young!

What do you think of the facilities for skaters in Jersey and do you think the wealth of 'NO SKATEBOARDING' signs dotted around the Island are very fair?

They're getting better and growing fast. To me, Jersey has always been all about skating street! The parks here are fun and a good place to warm up and as for the signs... Well we're skaters and nothing will tell us to stop what we love doing!

What's your most difficult trick and how many injuries have you amassed trying to get it perfect?

Every trick in skating is hard and you will always be trying to get 'em perfect but as long as you roll away, that's what counts...

What are the opportunities for people in Jersey when it comes to skating?

Endless but it would help if people in Jersey put more into it. It is a bona fide sport! Anyone involved in skating over here who wants to better themselves or improve the opportunities for up and coming skaters can always work harder at pushing and encouraging those who want the help.

Where's the best place you've skated?

Switzerland is amazing, Berlin's perfect and all over Europe is just sick... but America is just the icing on the cake.

Who is your most influential skater? Do you look up to anyone in particular?

They're coming out of everywhere at the moment but the people who pushed me and inspired me most were Jamie Thomas, Geoff Rowley and Gary Chevalier.

What's your favourite music on your iPod? What tracks inspire you to skate most?

I don't really skate to music, I skate to and for the things that have happened in my life and influenced me most... All music is good to roll with though!

Give us the lowdown on the new shop!

It's the first of its kind over here. Warriors C.I. Skateboards is in town, tucked away near Motorama on Great Union Road... The Warriors are here and playing hard, the team is made up of myself, Ollie Chambers, Kit Habin, Wayne Highfield, Patryk Rybinski, Limey Banton and Julian Cochrane. It's all about keeping it local and not ripping people off - Jersey needed a true skate shop, so that's what I've started, a shop dedicated to all the things a skater needs. It's rolling along nicely.

So, now you're a businessman and a skater? These two worlds seems like polar opposites!

I don't see myself as a businessman, I'm a skater and that is most important to me.

What advice would you give to budding skaters? Never give up and keep pushing yourself!

Do you think skateboarding is a positive direction for kids to go in? Yes.

Some up what skating means to you in a couple of sentences...

Finding a skateboard under my feet saved my life, thanks to my bro! Being a skater is amazing and you get to see the whole world as a skate park, you get to meet true people and be your true self, it's a good way of life and keeps you fit and young at heart!

If anyone wants to check out Warriors C.I. Skateboards, go to 22 Great Union Road. The shop is open from 4.30 to 5.15pm Monday to Friday and on Saturdays from 10.30am to 5.30pm. There's an awesome range of skatewear and every possible thing a skater needs to keep rolling! Prices are totally fair, with an array of free stuff given away with certain purchases. Buy a board for £35 and get the grips, stickers and bolts for FREE... Can't say fairer than that!



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To gain a Michelin star you have to be consistent in everything you do from start to finish and sometimes it takes years of blood, sweat and tears to get that finished product just right.

Even after all that, you're always looking to improve on it. However, I think Rolls Royce may have just come up with the goods to allow them to pause for a while, go up to the stage to collect their shiny star and sit back to reflect on a fantastic job.

I know you might think I'm mad to compare ingredients with a Rolls Royce, but think about it for just one moment. Imagine a combination of some of the best ingredients in the world like fresh oysters with Beluga caviar, white truffles from Alba with foie gras, and then you might have some idea of the standard of combined materials used to put

this amazing car together. Strikingly beautiful rear lights refracting rings of red around the edges, elegant suicide doors complete with umbrellas set into both sides ready to be handed to you by your driver in times of need, the myriad levels and layers of glass and chrome that adorn the clocks - just the kind of painstaking detail you would expect from a manufacturer that prides itself upon good old-fashioned engineering prowess.

I think the best things in life are created from passion and that's certainly how I work in the kitchen. As I opened the driver's side door of the Ghost for the first time, it was clear to me just how passionate and dedicated the designers at Rolls Royce are. I don't want to bore you with all the details of how soft the inch-high Blenheim wool carpets are, or how amazing the hand-stitched soft grain full leather remote seats are to sit in, and the fact that it just so happens that the roof lining is part cashmere



- fancy that! Maybe I should also refrain from writing about how cool all the gadgets are inside like the effortless one touch close boot or the plasma screens and top of the range entertainment system, but I certainly won't hold back on telling you how fantastic this machine drives and that everything you would expect from this world-class stable is surpassed. Take a moment to step back and behold the gargantuan, muscular rear wings as they envelop the wheels that sit beneath them as well as the handmade grille, still in keeping with an age-old tradition.

Nowadays it seems as though every new car starts with a push of a button, which is fine, but not every car starts up with a roar of a V12 under the bonnet! As I set off on my test drive from Jacksons I glanced in the rear view mirror to see a line of concerned

staff looking in my direction. The Ghost is so precious you just know they are praying I bring this machine back in one piece, whereas I'm just praying for some decent open road! Soon enough, all my prayers are answered, and oh my God, this machine just

does not want to stop - gracefully sprinting from nought to 60 in 4.9 seconds. Where permitted, of course. I think I'll have to try and convince Jacksons to allow me to take it over to France, just for further testing.

Now, you would probably think that a car of this size would not corner at speed, but think again. On meeting any obstacle the passengers in the back will still feel like they're staying at the presidential suite in

'If Michelin stars were given out to cars then this Rolls Royce Ghost is worthy of at least one of those little beauties'

the Ritz with their feet up, and that's exactly how it should be with a car of this calibre. The air-sprung suspension in each corner, coupled with an advanced computer hidden somewhere deep beneath the sea of chrome, sumptuous leather and the deepest of carpets, is so advanced and precise that it can detect and compensate for the effect of a passenger in the rear shifting sides!

We all know that a high percentage of Rolls Royce owners are driven by chauffeurs but really, I implore anyone who is privileged enough to own the Ghost not to miss one minute at the wheel.

To enquire about the Rolls Royce Ghost please contact Jacksons on 497777

Thanks go to Aviation Beauport for providing the photoshoot location. For aircraft charter, management or handling contact them on 496496

Adrenaline FUELLED>

As a thoroughbred petrolhead, not much more could be asked of just one week than the passenger rides around the live action arena at the Credit Suisse International Motoring Festival, getting on the track at Circuit Faye de Bretagne in Nantes and the weekend at the 24 Heures du Mans endurance race that I was fortunate enough to experience last month. All within 7 days.

The Credit Suisse Jersey International Motoring Festival

If jumping from things isn't quite your warm beverage of choice but you still seek the occasional hit of adrenaline to remind your heart what it's supposed to be up to, you probably find it either inside, on top of, or possibly even underneath something that is travelling really fast.



Camel Lotus 101 F1 car

Sometimes, you don't even have to be attached to said projectile to get a buzz though. Sometimes just the sight of, or the noise from such a machine is enough to get the hairs on the back of your neck (even if you firmly deny their existence) standing on end. Those of you who have inappropriate minds will be way off the track by now, whereas those of you who visited any of the events surrounding the three-day Credit Suisse Jersey International Motoring Festival last month will undoubtedly know what I mean; be that the moonlight sprint, the Westmount and Mount Bingham hillclimbs or the Live Action Arena around Victoria Park.

Onlookers were faced with a dull start (weather-wise, of course) but the Relentless Live Action Arena participants weren't going to let it get in their way. From the Bambino karts driven by little people as young as 6 on a time trial basis with a gold certificate for the winner to the rally boys and girls tearing up the tarmac, to specialist sports cars, muscle cars and single seaters including an ex-Formula 1 Camel Lotus 101 and a selection of two-wheeled machines, whether Supermotors or Sportsbikes, each and every one of these vehicles had something special of their very own to give.

Be it the immense balance and poise of the trials riders, the nothing-short-of-phenomenal

V8 rumble from the Formula 5000 single seater, the almost impossible looking slides as the Supermoto riders backed into the corners before exiting on the rear wheel, the whine of a supercharged Shelby Mustang or the pleasantly choking tyre smoke from one of the Mk2 Escorts, it was a day not to be missed.

The action wasn't restricted to the live action arena though, with speed events taking place on Victoria Avenue, West Park, Westmount and Mount Bingham over the course of the weekend as well as the various static displays where you could view first hand anything from a Ford Model T to the latest road cars, via Minis, classic BLMC marques, Jaguar E-Types, classic motorbikes, Land Rovers and much, much more.

This was an event attended by all sorts of different people - not just petrolheads. Motorsport isn't just something for smelly blokes down the pub; there's no sexual divide, no class divide and people of all ages were there to experience the noise and atmosphere, which was spine tingling at times. It was the perfect chance to see the ability of both drivers and their vehicles tested in a safe environment, giving something back to the public for allowing the very minor inconvenience of such an event and in turn allowing the public to glean



From a variety of different Jaguar E-types out celebrating the 50th anniversary of the model to hot rods in the static display area to Caterham 7s and karts in the Relentless Live Action Arena, there was something for all motoring tastes. I even spied an example of the rare Mini Marcos!

enjoyment out of what is, for the most part, a hobby that is usually hidden behind garage doors.

Thanks go to JJ Gallagher & all of the organisers and marshals on the day for

making the event possible and inviting us down, and to John Le Noa, Ian Brandon, Alex Fearn and Chris Le Chevalier for taking me out on the Relentless live action arena for passenger rides in their respective vehicles.



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Gallery enjoys a day on the track in France with Delta Racing...



Don't even *try* to deny it. I know you've been picturing yourself sharing a podium with the likes of Vettel, Button and Hamilton – the roar of the screaming crowds, sweat dripping from your brow, champagne-doused girls who once flocked around you running for cover.

Well step down from there a minute please, as there's no substitute for getting involved yourself, even if it is at a non-competitive event.

Established some 10 years ago and then in conjunction with the Classic & Vintage Racing Club by Denis Therezin and Stewart Barrow, Delta Racing, a name inspired by Denis's Lancia Delta HF rally car, began as a meeting of likeminded people seeking to push both themselves and their cars up to and beyond their limits. Competitors at a rally in Loheac, they spotted the tarmac circuit hidden away and enquired about hiring it out – these days it's a successful local business providing the whole trackday package at a great price to anybody

who wants to give it a try, regardless of experience, and with a choice of four venues at current.

The next two circuits on this year's calendar are the prestigious Maison Blanche and Bugatti circuits at Le Mans over the weekend of the 29th and 30th July and it's not too late to book so get in touch via www.delta-racing.co.uk if you haven't done already. Stewart's advice to anybody sitting on the Armco, undecided? 'Just come along! As long as your car is reasonable and reliable just come and learn about how the car handles'. It doesn't matter how fast or slow you are, Stewart says you see people's driving standards improve during the course of just one day and that it's far more valuable



Gerald Voisin

WEAPON OF CHOICE: Ferrari 360 Modena
TRACK EXPERIENCE: 3 years, but also raced Formula Ford single seaters in the late 1980s
HIGHLIGHTS: Camaraderie - everyone mucks in when a problem arises



Neil & Nick

WEAPON OF CHOICE: Renault Clio Cup
TRACK EXPERIENCE: Absolutely none, aside from a bit of karting in France
HIGHLIGHTS: Just being able to get out there and enjoy the track



Tony Olson

WEAPON OF CHOICE: Porsche 911 GT3
TRACK EXPERIENCE: 5 years, also raced Minis & Porsches in the 1970s
HIGHLIGHTS: Managing 153mph on the straight before reaching the braking zone



Larsen's lads

WEAPON OF CHOICE: Lotus 2-eleven & Mercedes C63 AMG
TRACK EXPERIENCE: Varies from a few years to absolutely none!
HIGHLIGHTS: Getting both cars back in one piece!



▲ A thorn between roses: You don't need a supercar to get involved, it just has to be reliable

for building experience than hillclimbs due to the sheer time you get behind the wheel in one day. I'm inclined to agree, and know people who feel that their performance up Bouley Bay has been improved following a Delta Racing trackday at Loheac purely because of the confidence you build in your vehicle.

Don't be deterred if you're not technically minded, as there will always be plenty of people present with a wealth of knowledge who are happy to help you learn how to rectify things if anything brakes. Speaking to the islanders at the Nantes trackday last month the overwhelming answer to the question 'what do you enjoy most about these events' was the camaraderie as well as the social element enjoying une bière ou trois back at the hotel once the day is over. The camaraderie was more than evident at Nantes when a Caterham 7 came unstuck, quite literally, as its throttle cable snapped. Twice. However, a crowd

of entrants soon mucked in to get it fixed in time for the return ferry crossing and the day was saved. If the worst comes to the worst though, a trailer is on hand to recover vehicles back to Jersey. Nothing is left to chance.

With a broad mix of vehicles, driver ability, background and experience as well as absolutely no elitism, these events are a must for any self-respecting petrolhead. Even the short blast through the French countryside and back on to the D137 to St Malo is a pleasure, but be careful - once the bug bites, there's little chance of it loosening its grip. See you at Le Mans in July.

For more information or to book call Stewart Barrow on 07797 789075, or visit www.delta-racing.co.uk



Audi: Third time lucky

79 years. 24 hours of non-stop racing. 250,000 spectators. One mad mile. An unholy rate of beer consumption. Welcome to the world's longest established endurance race: 24 heures du Mans.

With a party atmosphere to rival even some of the best names in live music festivals but without even a single drunken idiot looking to cause trouble despite alcohol consumption being as rife as windmills in the Netherlands, I recently discovered that the Le Mans 24 hour race just cannot be beaten.

There's no denying that it's mainly about the cars, with trade tents and displays shoehorned within the legendary track, but with a fairground, karting, slot-racing and PS3 tents as well as more eateries than you can shake a baguette at there is almost infinitely more to a June weekend at the Sarthe circuit than seating yourself in a grandstand and developing an RSI in your neck - even the campsites, roads and roundabouts in the area are a hive of activity, crowds gravitating to the roadside in droves to witness an afternoon, evening and night of good ole' fashioned tyre-smoking and larking about. With fireworks. And water pistols.

This year saw the favourite to win the LMP1 class, the number 1 Audi R18 TDi crashing spectacularly barely an hour into the race with Allan McNish at the wheel, with one of the sister cars also being taken out in a nothing short of breathtaking smash later in the evening after clipping yet another Ferrari. The number 9 Peugeot 908 in second place later had a pop at the remaining Audi just hours from the end resulting in the Peugeot race-director developing a sudden inability to speak English when quizzed by commentators. Strange, that.

Guernseyman Andy Priaulx's car, the number 56 BMW M3 GTS finished third in the GT class despite a huge accident in qualifying, although Corvette took the overall GT win yet again once the 24 hours of non-stop racing came to a drizzly close.

Gallerygadgets

Be you young or old, financially up there with the best of them or down here with the rest of us, we've got a few treats in for you this month.



Super Soaker water pistols,
from left to right:
High tide • £7.50
Flash Flood • £27.95
Tornado Strike • £17.99
Bottle Blitz • £15.95

(all prices from amazon.co.uk)

Super Soakers

It doesn't matter if you're five or eighty-five, the summer sunshine is the perfect excuse to upset family and friends by forcing them into a wardrobe change. Super Soakers have always been the daddies of water pistols - I can remember experiencing extremem jealousy as a child whilst being woefully soaked by the other kids on the road I grew up on with such outdoor playtime hardware, so tool yourself up for summer!

Their range has expanded almost exponentially since then, so here's our round-up of what's on the market.

The High Tide - delivering a steady blast of water over a distance of up to 16 feet (that's nearly 5 metres for anybody under the age of 45).

Flash Flood - with the option of delivering a soaking to your foes as either a constant stream OR a massive water explosion, just make sure you choose wisely so as to not leave yourself without ammo.

Tornado Strike - with a range of over 6 metres and delivering water in a spinning cyclone, this is surely the ultimate weapon.

Bottle Blitz - a range of 25 feet, just slide the handle out to pressurise and back in to blast your opponent. The Bottle Blitz comes with a rear-mounted bottle but is upgradeable to take a larger bottle of your own. Get drinking that Fanta (Other soft drinks are available)!

If you're a dab hand (or, er, foot?) on a skateboard and think that mountain bikes are just too easy to master, then how about trying your hand (or, er, feet) at mountainboarding.

Just one stone underneath the wheel of a skateboard is pretty disastrous, but with one of these puppies - almost any terrain suddenly becomes negotiable again. Let absolutely nothing get in your way of buying a Kit Kat from your local Spar. Or for the more adventurous out there, take it somewhere a bit more daring.

Scrub mountainboards:
Ranging from £113 to £299 at www.extremekiteshop.com



Mountainboards

Nike + GPS



Getting the heart pumping and legs aching can be a little boring sometimes. I don't know about you, but I for one am far from thrilled at running the short but seemingly never ending distance along the front, rather preferring a change of scenery to keep me entertained. How does everybody manage it?!

Running isn't quite as boring now though, as I've discovered this little beauty of an app. It plots your sessions on a map, giving fast and slow sections, distances and times so you can compare your routes. There's also a voice that keeps you informed of times and distances, and you can even post your sessions on Facebook or challenge people globally to a 'virtual race'.

iPhone 3GS & 4 users - visit the App Store for a free download

If you enjoy surfing but get frustrated on the days where it's a bit too windy or choppy in your favourite bay then you might fancy giving kitesurfing a try to maximise your time out on the water.

With so much equipment out there to choose from and with the more accomplished kitesurfers tending to splash out on the latest kit as it is released there always seem to be a few second-hand bargains to be had locally but as with most things, check with an expert before buying - or better still ask somebody to let you try kitesurfing before you take out another credit card to fund a new hobby that you might not get on with. Although having done only one session myself, I can tell you that it does seem like awesome fun! Having said that, the Proton is allegedly Flexifoil's easiest kite to relaunch and along with Brunotti's Onyx Quiver board should make the ideal kit combination to learn with.

Check out www.atbshop.co.uk for their deal including Flexifoil 9m & 12m kites along with a Brunotti Onyx Quiver board for £2229 (as pictured to the right)



Kitesurfing

Blokarts



What comes in a bag, is set up in minutes and is possibly the best high-speed fun you can have on wheels without killing any polar bears?

I'll tell you what is - a Blokart! With a multitude of models to choose from and sails from 3m to 5.5m there's a Blokart available for all situations.

Whether your land-sailing fun comes on three wheels or on two by keeping one of the rears in the air if you're extra adventurous you're guaranteed to have amazing fun, whatever the weather!

Check out www.blokarteuropa.com for details

Hit the track, Jack...

Having experienced only my second outing driving a race track last month, the bug is biting harder than ever and my once more than adequate motorised weapon of choice just doesn't quite seem to be making the cut any longer.

Of course, if money were no object this would naturally open more (garage) doors when it came to track toy choice, but being slightly more realistic and bearing in mind that most people would have to suffer the compromise between weekend plaything and daily drive, Lotus' Exige and that classic track staple, Caterham's 7 are popular choices.

Why? Because handling is everything. Huge horsepower is no use if you can't brake late and manage to get around corners whilst carrying speed, and these two combine a low centre of gravity with lightweight construction to provide an almost perfect blend of agility and speed.

Thinking more about second hand bargains? Look out for S1 Lotus Elises, the rag-top predecessor to the supercharged Exige.

Caterham 7 (www.caterham.co.uk)
Lotus Exige (www.lotuscars.com)

To play with your new toy properly, visit:
www.delta-trackdays.co.uk



Weapons of mass tyre-destruction for the aspiring tarmac terrorist

Phonehome

Bursting at the seams with not only the new handsets from your local network operators that you have come to know and love, but *also* a brief insight into the latest development in mobile data infrastructure as recently demonstrated by Jersey Telecom. Technology never sleeps people, so check back next month for details about 'Smart TV'.



Smart Start

The HTC Wildfire S is the ultimate in first-time smartphones. The incredibly dynamic name aside, the Wildfire S is nicely priced and well-equipped with all the features that any first-time smartphone user could need.

The Wildfire S incorporates the latest Android release – Gingerbread, making it an even better starter smartphone. Gingerbread makes the Wildfire S incredibly easy to use. The main user interface has easy-to-navigate menus and simplified navigation. The keyboard has been updated so that typing and editing are even faster and perhaps, most importantly for Android users, the word selection tool, which allows you to copy and paste items, has become more effective, enabling you to easily choose and select text.

If there's one criticism that has been levelled at all smartphones, regardless of make, it's the excessive power consumption. Gingerbread has gone a long way to solving this by actively managing apps which are running in the background and closes them down if they take too much juice. It's also easy to see how the battery is being used by various apps.

Add to this the excellent data connectivity with speeds upto 14.4 mbps on Airtel-Vodafone's 3.5G network, intuitive caller ID that links with Facebook and displays useful information such as birthdays when someone calls; great features which mean the phone rings louder when it's hidden away in your bag, a fantastic screen which displays your photos and videos with colour that will take your breath away and many, many more features...



The HTC Wildfire S will make your first foray into smartphones, a journey from which you'll never return!

Get the HTC Wildfire S free with a whopping 10GB Free Data & Unlimited Texts each month on the £25, 18 month contract from the Airtel-Vodafone shop in Queen Street

The NEXT Generation



It barely seems that long ago that using the internet was a process involving a plinky-plonky scale of beeps and bongs followed by some white noise before you could wait patiently for around fifteen minutes to sneakily download one of those newfangled mp3s from Audiogalaxy or Napster.

If, around the turn of the century, somebody would have told me that within a decade not only would my 28.8kbps connection turn into 4, 8 and 16mbps I would have undoubtedly soiled my adolescent short trousers in excitement – let alone if they would've told me I'd be using a mobile phone receiving data at a staggering FIFTY megabits per second. That would have been game over for sure - my brain wouldn't have coped.

Yet recently I found myself experiencing that elusive sounding 50mbps from within the VW Caravelle minibus that JT brought to the island in conjunction with Alcatel-Lucent to test and showcase the next generation of mobile network: LTE.

LTE, or Long Term Evolution to give its formal name, has already been rolled out by Verizon in the United States as well as on a small scale by other providers in Europe as well as having been tested in the UK so the '4G' devices necessary to use this technology are already available.

In the van, the LTE signal from the two masts currently erected in Jersey is converted into a wireless signal for demonstration purposes, and the speed was nothing short of phenomenal; 50mbps upstream and around 22mbps downstream - that's quicker than the broadband here at Gallery HQ!

Streaming HD quality movies on the move will be within our reach soon, so watch this space, technology lovers.

Best before: See calendar for details

Airtel-Vodafone pay-as-you-go customers need not worry about their credit expiring, thanks to their new 'One-K' plan those who want a pay-as-you-go SIM to use only on rare occasions or for contingency reasons you can rest assured, safe in the knowledge that your credit will not expire for 1000 days after the last time you used it. This will also prove invaluable for those who are away from the island for long periods of time and don't want to lose their number.

Available from the Airtel-Vodafone store in King Street, costing £33 (including £25 credit)

Xoom, Xoom Xoom!

The next generation of tablets is here and it begins with an 'X' not an 'i'. The Motorola Xoom is a small machine packed full of technology that will keep you connected, watching, working and playing, 24 hours a day.

Let's start with the outside. The first place you look is the screen and the Xoom's put the competition to shame. At 10.1 inches, it's larger than the iPad and with a 1280 x 800 WXGA HD display it packs almost 200,000 more pixels, making the viewing of films and images, a real pleasure. There's also front and rear facing cameras (2 and 5 megapixels each) that really make the grade whether you're capturing those precious moments or discussing business in a video conference.

The outside is good but the inside is even better! Xoom runs on the Android 3.0 Honeycomb platform a market-breaking combination of Motorola hardware and Google software. Honeycomb works smoothly and effectively but perhaps most exciting is the personalisation potential which lets you turn this tablet into your own.

The 1 GHz dual-core processor, 32Gb hard drive, 1Gb DDR2 RAM come together to make this machine into a true workhorse, albeit a very stylish one!

As you know, it's the little things that count and the Xoom has a lot of perks which make it stand taller than the competition. There's the Adobe Flash 10 Player which means you can enjoy a lot more web content than other, more famous tablets. The Xoom has 3G connectivity and on top of that, Wi-Fi is easy to access whenever you're in a hotspot.

Xoom isn't just a challenger, it's a leader and it's available from the Sure store for just £579 and £10 per month for unlimited mobile data.



Samsung Galaxy Mini

Handset Only £146
Free On Green 18 from Jersey Telecom
(their cheapest android handset)

It is said that good things come in small packages, and this definitely seems the case with the Galaxy Mini. Packing a pint-sized Android punch for pennies, it features 3G and wifi connectivity along with a 3MP camera that also supports video recording. It's quick too - especially with Samsung's 'Swype' typing technology, ideal for people on the move who want to stay in touch yet travel light.

HTC Flyer Tablet

Equipment Only £540 (32GB 3G Model)
Free On Blue 24 from Jersey Telecom

Expect superb detail from both the 7" super LED display and the aluminium unibody case, as well as the 5MP rear and 1.3MP front facing cameras.

What really sets the Flyer apart from its rivals is the use of 'Sense', which is HTC's custom user interface that you're used to seeing in their smartphones, only optimised for use on a tablet.

They've even added pen support, so now you can take notes and draw pictures directly onto the tablet. Couple this to Timemark, which timestamps your voice recordings and attaches them to and relevant notes taken during meetings and you've got one extremely powerful and versatile mobile computing device.



Motorola Glem

Handset Only £82 (available in black)
Free on Pink 24 from Jersey Telecom

A feature phone that harks back to the old school phones of years past, the Glem is ideal for those who don't have the need for a smartphone, beginners to the world of mobile communication, or those who just want a phone with that extra little bit of bling to set them apart from the rest.

With a 2MP camera on-board you still get to snap embarrassing photos of your friends in the most awkward of situations, and there's an extra display on the front which can display a hello message or give you the time when the phone is closed.

Open it up to reveal the inner screen and bold, metallic keys inside with its simple, shining layout.



holding all the cards

Giles Robson and The Dirty Aces

words | Yolanda Beats

Fronted by the harmonica-toting, blues-riddled gent that is Giles Robson, The Dirty Aces' latest musical offering is frankly amazing. 'Crooked Heart of Mine' is the recently released album from this local unrestrained blues band and it's making waves across radio stations all over the UK and beyond.

The first track on the album, 'Mighty Incinerator' is a dirty, raw example of just how an authentic and unpretentious blues track ought to sound. It flows straight into your soul, through the ears and into the heart and mind. A truly spectacular opener for what turned out to be a whole array of tracks set on making the hairs on the back of your neck stand to attention. On his first listen, Chris Evans of BBC Radio 2 said with gusto, "This is so good!" and he is bang on. The same can be said for every single track on this album: each one bringing about a stomp and a sleazy swagger, trail-blazing a blend of sounds that make this album rich with individuality.

Other Radio broadcasters have jumped all over this album and given their ten pence worth - all might I add, extremely positive and enthusiastic. The press has welcomed this album with open arms and desperate ears. After Giles Robson and The Dirty Aces first came to their attention in 2010 after the band supported Mud Morganfield, the son of legendary Blues icon, Muddy Waters at a jam-packed gig in London. The response to the band was incredible, with the Daily Express labeling The Dirty Aces as 'virtuosi' and of Giles himself they praised his 'exquisite harmonica,' Paul Stewart, of the Daily Express described in particular that Giles Robson could possibly be the best harmonica player on the blues scene today. None too shabby indeed!

After playing 'Crooked Heart of Mine' incessantly since Giles kindly gave me a copy to review, I can quite honestly say I am fully hooked on it. It is the kind of album that doesn't need time to grow, but still gets better and better each time you listen to it. It actually makes me smile and conjures up images of gritty and decadent bars filled with smoke and bourbon drinking blues lovers sat in speakeasies all over New Orleans... Authenticity in every note and on every beat.

"There are many living harmonica players of note, from Stevie Wonder to Giles Robson and back again".
Paul Jones, BBC Radio 2

Giles Robson formed The Dirty Aces along with guitarist Filip Kozlowski in 2007 and they have since fast become one of the rising stars of their genre. Their original material is laced with sounds reminiscent of Tom Waits, Bob Dylan, Django Reinhardt and Elvis Presley, to name a few. Lyrics are original, well thought out and delivered with a

punch. Guitar riffs are unforgettable and perfectly laid out to host the heartbeat through each track from 'drumming supremo' Mike Hellier. The double bass is the last definitive touch, which brings that deep and authentic sound that hooks your senses to this band. Played by Ian Jennings, this double bass maestro is a major player in the world of blues, having worked with a star studded list of musicians such as Jools Holland, Robert Plant, Mark Knopfler, Chrissie Hynde, Tom Jones and Eric Clapton...

The Dirty Aces really do have that winning hand up their sleeve with their latest delivery of blues. 'Crooked Heart of Mine' will be officially launched in Jersey on 16th July at the Polish Festival but you can pick up a copy online at Amazon for just £10.99 and soon the band will let everyone know where they can go and physically buy the album - stockists yet to be announced.

For more information on Giles Robson & The Dirty Aces, check out their site at www.gilesrobson-thedirtyaces.com and look out for upcoming gigs locally as this band tear it up live!





Ooh La La...

Free Download from the Gaa Gaa's!

Following on from the release of their punk crazed EP entitled 'Repulsion Seminar' which initiated a massive buzz surrounding the Jersey-bred band (now a firm frothy, gothy feature living in Brighton Town),

The Gaa Gaa's released their debut single 'Voltaire' on The Playground Records. Voltaire, produced by Robert Harder (S.C.U.M., Babyshambles, The Slits...) was a roisterous and clamorous creation, with a pounding bass line and awesome riff. As per, Gavin Tate, front man of The Gaa Gaa's enlightened the backdrop of the track with his typically 'in-your-face' vocals, emitting a sound almost haunting and ambient with a punch on each syllable. Voltaire was masterfully remixed bringing a strangely different version of the track to the B-side from Punx Soundcheck. This remix REALLY works.

Next up from The Gaa Gaa's (and the generous Gaa Gaa's at that!) are two tracks from their newest collation, 'The Black Tapes'. Tracks 'Statues' and 'Bitter & Twisted' have all the much loved darkness and Gaa Gaa sound, but with a slightly more mature approach. It's a given as the boys are morphing into a professional rock band and growing day by day into their big boy band shoes.

Of the new tracks, Gavin Tate says...

"We wanted to work more on getting our minimal electronic sound dialed in the new songs, inspired by prog acts like Errors and Moving Units as well as German Krautrock bands like Grauzone and Neu! We decided to go for a path that would make us more accessible and open to a wider audience. We started off as a Garage Punk band but over the years have progressed. This new material has helped us explore a side to our song writing that I thought we would never reach at this stage; lots of break downs, Jazz-influenced bass lines and spirally synths. The main aim since 2009 was to become more dance orientated because we were being compared to bands like The Horrors due to having similar influences. We wanted to be seen as ourselves and not an offspring even though we had been around for a lot longer."

Download The Gaa Gaa's

The Black Tapes (Equal Sorrow EP demo Sampler)

Produced by Ben Parker @ Magic Lyrebird Studios, Brighton in April 2011

<http://soundcloud.com/the-gaa-gaas/statues-demo>

<http://soundcloud.com/the-gaa-gaas/bitter-and-twisted>

The new Gaa Gaa's website will be up and running soon – keep in touch with their goings on through <http://soundcloud.com/the-gaa-gaas>

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Jersey Pirates at Glastonbury

Since relocating to Brighton in October, local punk four-piece Pirate Video Company have gone from strength-to-strength, supporting the likes of Uffie and marking themselves down as one of the most exciting bands to come out of Jersey in some years.

They were recently confirmed to perform on the BBC Introducing Stage at Glastonbury Festival. By the time you read this, they will either have sunk or swum in the famed festival mud. We predict the latter, and caught up with them ahead of their big date to see how it all happened...

How did the offer to play at Glastonbury come about?

We uploaded our tracks to BBC Introducing a while back and Ryan Morrison then put them forward to a panel of judges, who picked us to play the festival!

Are you nervous, excited or both?

We are excited and nervous about playing; this is our biggest show to date so we don't want anything to go wrong, we're also hoping we bring in a good crowd.

Will you get a chance to catch Brave Yesterday there?

We will be able to watch most of their set, but we have to be at our stage an hour early so we may miss the end.

How's the band progressing in Brighton?

We've found that moving here has been more of a development phase for us, we haven't had loads of gigs but our sound has progressed a lot and we have been practicing more than ever.

You're all off to uni in September - what will happen to the band?

We are going to keep gigging and writing new music, it will be harder as we are further apart but we are determined to keep doing this as it is what we love to do.

Tell us about your new EP - where was it recorded/who recorded it/what does it sound like/where's it going to be available etc?

We recorded and mixed the tracks with Ben Parker at Magic Lyrebird Studios, we then sent them off to be mastered at Stakeout Studios by Jason Wilcock who has worked with Quick and the Dead and Rueben who we are big fans of. The EP sounds great, we feel it captures our live sound and we can't wait for everyone to hear it. It will be available to buy from our bigcartel store (<http://piratevideo-company.bigcartel.com/>) which will be live on June 28th.

When will you next be playing in Jersey?

Our next Jersey gig will be August 13th at Live Lounge, it is in memory of our friend Lauren Bree and all the money raised will be going to Cystic Fibrosis Trust and Robin Ward, everyone should come and support the cause.

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cameron johnson aka U.G.

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Having only recently met Cameron and being that he isn't local, it was a true 'find' once I heard the tracks he's been writing and producing. A range of heavy tunes were magnified with his poignant and often rather cutting lyrics; spat at the mic with vigour and deliberation, U.G. certainly doesn't mince his words, nor does he hold back on saying what he sees. A diverse assortment of styles of track; from housey dance tunes, to deep and dirty dub step was the backdrop for the lyrics which had me nodding along and feeling the thought-provoking messages U.G. had to share.

Who is U.G.?

I'm 24, my real name is Cameron Johnson but I go by the name U.G., which is associated with the word underground, but can mean anything you want it to mean. I was born in Streatham, South London, I grew up there for half of my life then spent the other half in Leicester in the Midlands and other parts of London. I've been MCing for 14 years but before that I was writing poetry which I can remember doing from the age of about 6. Writing has always been a big part of my life. I would describe my content as blunt and unforgiving but truthful. I would describe my style as old skool with a new skool flow and delivery...

Growing up, who inspired you musically?

Talkin' old, I'd say John Holt and Bob Marley were up there. Then I'd say Naz was the one artist who made me sit up and take notice. Naz spat lyrics which were more than just rap – rap always seemed quite simple until he came along and tore it up with honest lyrics, ones that had meaning, they're relatable and from the heart. He was a proper artist...

Who would you say is up there as an inspiration now? Who's doing things that make your ears take notice?

Well lyrically, I'd say there's no one better than MC Ghetto. As for other genres, I like what Chase and Status are doing; they've really managed to bring underground to the forefront.

What inspires you day to day?

The feeling of wanting to get a message across is really important to me. It is definitely what drives me, and I have quite a lot to say. Music is an ideal platform for people to use to get their point across – it helps if their point has some depth, some meaning... then as a tool, music has no boundaries and you can say exactly what you think.

What are your thoughts on the local scene?

I've not really integrated into the scene in Jersey yet, I've not really been here very long. Back in London the scene is jumping, there's loads on and a lot of talent there. I'm looking forward to getting involved over here. I'll be playing around and about soon; look out for my name at Tanguys and a new night starting on Wednesdays in Pure.

Who are you most looking forward to seeing at Jersey Live?

Katy B. I like her harmonies and I'm really looking forward to seeing her perform that live.

Who would you say is your musical 'hero' and why?

Naz. For all the reasons I said before. The guy's a genius. And a bunch of old skool garage MCs like Wiley...

Well, thank you for introducing yourself U.G. and we look forward to you cracking the 'scene' in Jersey!

In the meantime, keep an eye out for U.G.'s latest projects online at www.dubsofthemadskintandbritish.com.



PlaySchema

After years in the musical wilderness, Jersey is beginning to produce more than its fair share of bands, musicians and producers that are doing the island proud in the UK music scene; from Ivor Novello-nominated Nerina Pallot to Jamie Lovatt's goth-rockers ROMANCE (signed to Polydor-subsidary Fiction Records and recently confirmed to perform at the world famous Reading and Leeds Festivals), to young up-and-comers Pirate Video Company and Brave Yesterday who recently flew the flag for Jersey on the hallowed stages of Glastonbury Festival, it seems that Jersey has its finger firmly in England's esteemed musical pie. Yes, the pie of music.

Another group of Jersey's talented young things are dance producers Schema. Receiving glowing reviews from the likes of International DJ Magazine, and Radio One airplay, they have been catapulted to the status of one of the most exciting dubstep/breakbeat acts around. A new EP on Jay Cunning's Sub Slayers label, entitled 'The Revival EP' is due out on August 12th and sees them explore the murky world of jungle. Which, incidentally, is massive.

Tell us a bit about the new EP, and why the foray into jungle? Is this a one-off project or do you see it as part of a wider evolution of the Schema sound? Well the EP is made up of 140bpm Jungle, or 'Future Jungle' as it's been coined, and dubstep. We've also got collaborations with Terminal State and Future Jungle superheroes Pyramid. We grew up listening to Jungle, so the current resurgence of Jungle is more of a homecoming. It's great we can pull out all the old Jungle samples that we used to use, it's definitely part of our sound going forward.

This is your biggest release yet - does it feel like a risk veering away from your tried and tested sound? No, we just write what we like really and we've had great feedback so far from the label so we're excited about it!

Do you have any collaborations in the pipeline?

Yeah, also alongside a couple remixes we have to keep quiet, we're currently writing with Afghan Headspin, Jay Cuning and Atomic Hooligan. Which is nice.

You have a release party for the EP in August - what's going to be happening on the night?

The release party's Friday August 12th at Pure. It'll be a Sub Slayers label night, we'll be playing all our new material, and will be joined by label boss, KissFM & RAM resident, Jay Cuning. We'll also have the up and coming talent of Markie P in support.

Do you have any plans to base yourself in the UK, or can you do what you want to do from Jersey? No we don't really need to. A lot of our gigs are in England, and we've been taken on by Cut La Roc's Rocstar agency recently so it poses no real issue, just an inconvenience. The mainland is only a 35-minute flight away. If anything, being over here has added a uniqueness, when at festivals or UK gigs, a lot of the time the first thing people say when meeting them is, 'ah, so you're the Jersey boys'. Being just another Dubstep producer from London wouldn't really help.

Are any of you working on any new projects other than Schema?

Robin has returned from Amsterdam so him and Dozza have reignited Terminal State and they are working with Zero Zero on a label, Vanguard Audio.

You've done very well to get yourselves out there and heard without having to relocate so far - what advice would you give to other Jersey producers and musicians wanting to do the same thing? Thanks! Just don't be shy about reaching out to mainland artists and labels; the world's smaller now than it's ever been so the old rules don't necessarily apply anymore. Or just book them to play in Jersey and play them with booze...

Find out more about Schema at facebook.com/schema.jersey



Jack your body

Jackmaster, or Jack Revill to his mum, is a rare breed. In a day where you don't 'make it' unless you're an established producer he has managed to win DJ Mag's 'Best of British Breakthrough DJ award' and has recently recorded a critically acclaimed Fabriclive mix for the London super club, which he was asked to do on the back of some extremely well received performances there. All this and he's only 25. Now usually this type of talent makes me slightly sick with envy, however there's no doubting his passion for the scene in which he operates nor his dedication to pushing things forward. Mixmag recently described him as 'upfront, unrelenting and loaded with invention, this party DJ is way ahead of the pack' and resident Advisor had his Fabriclive mix on their RA recommends chart for weeks. It's fair to say he's hot property, and his attitude and determination have only seen his stock rise and rise in recent months.

As the head of Glasgow based record label Numbers he is passionate about putting out forward thinking music made by British artists, and counts artists such as Hudson Mohawke, Jamie XX & Deadboy as close friends and collaborators. It's clear that he's having the time of his life, travelling the world, playing parties and hanging out with his pals. In recent interviews of his I've read, when quizzed upon the roots of his label, most of his stories tend to start with 'We'd been up all night, and...' It's a hard job but someone's got to do it I suppose.

Although apparent that Jack is living the so-called dream, what is not so clear is exactly what kind of music his label releases and indeed, what he plays. Some people have described it as 'post-dubstep', as if that particular genre has already had its day. Some have been referring to it as 'UK bass music', a catch-all term that refers to the bass heavy, glitchy sounds coming out of London, Glasgow, Bristol and beyond. Jack's not a fan of either of

these terms, preferring to just refer to what he plays and releases as House & Techno. Although this is technically an accurate description, the end result of their output is some mutant form of both of these strains of electronica, their DNA heavily altered, but at the end of the day it's not too distant from a 4/4 beat and you play it in nightclubs. So there you go. If you're planning to attend come prepared for an onslaught of Dubstep flavours, with a House sensibility, and don't be surprised to hear a few classic tracks thrown in for good measure. Loves a classic does Jack - the numbers website has examples of him playing anything from saccharine sweet 80's pop through to Drexciya-style Detroit Electro. He's also not ashamed to admit his love of classic house, having played a set of, in his words, '90's commercial house bangers' in Fabric not so long ago. I wonder how the hipsters handled that?

Jackmaster plays Rocksteady at Pure on July 9th where he will be demonstrating what makes him such a big draw downstairs from midnight. Room 2 also features an East London showcase, where Rocksteady's newest resident Dan King will be popping home from London, bring with him Anthony Nidis, co-founder of the This Is noT serious nights and a resident at notorious after hours party Jaded, which holds a residency at Cable. Expect sleek and trippy tech-house grooves in the intimate settings of the middle floor.

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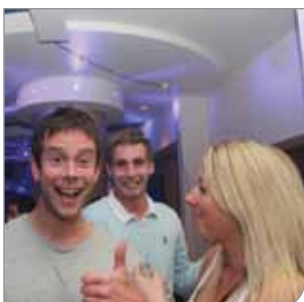
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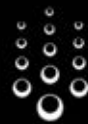
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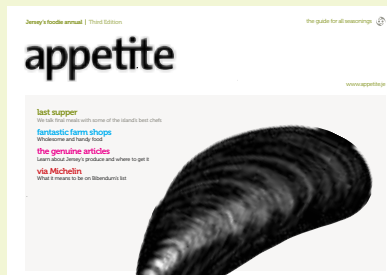
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