

# The Agiot

138th Edition



Rainbow  
Girls

All the way from  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7I0vkKy504U>

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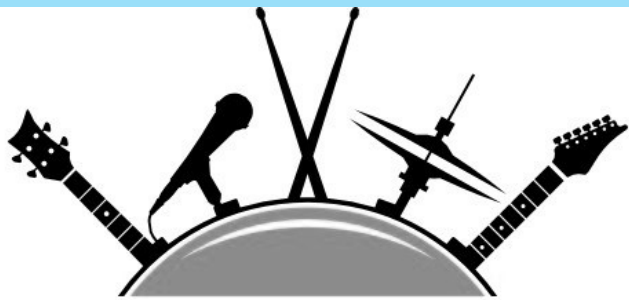
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# agiotfest 2019

By The Minstrel



## AGIOTFEST 19: FESTCAMP AGIOS IOANNIS, CORFU, GREECE

August 30th & 31st 2019

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We ran into each other in between rehearsals and quickly formed the new Corfu Superband "7 Mile Black Strat Band"!



WILSON'S JEWELS



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# Saturday Walks

**Saturday, 6 April PORTA:** Loutsas and the Cyclorama Track (4 hours \*\*\*\* NEW). Meet at the Old Schoolhouse, top of Porta village, 9.45 for 10.00 start. Lunch to be decided.

**NOTE:** This is a proper hike and not for the faint-hearted.

**Saturday, 13 April AGIOS MATTHEOS:** The Mountain (2 hours \*\*\*). Meet at the first coffee bar at the north end of Agis Mattheos Main Street, 10.00 for 10.30 start. Lunch at Alonaki Taverna. Halikounas (if it's open).

**NOTE:** The whole ascent is in complete shade.

**Saturday, 20 April KOURAMADES:** Two Picturesque Villages (1 1/2 - 2 hours \*\*). Meet at the Blue Bus Turnaround, at the start of Kouramades – turn right just after Kastellani, following the signs for the village, 10.00 for 10.30 start. Lunch at Arhontariki Taverna, Sinarades.

**NOTE:** Beautiful Kouramades and Kalafationes will be the villages visited.

**Saturday, 27 April LIAPADES:** West Coast Hills (1 1/2 - 2 hours \*\*\* NEW!). Meet in Liapades Square, 10.30 for 11.00 start to see pot-throwing (please park at the foot of the village and walk up). Lunch at Elizabeth's, Doukades.

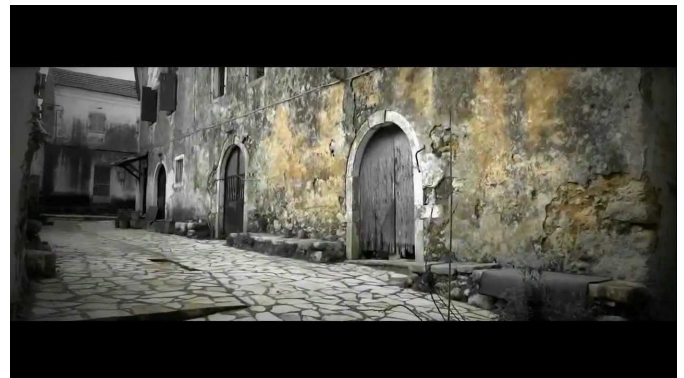
**NOTE:** Some new sections hoped for, if a reckie is successful!

**Saturday, 4 May SINARADES:** Picnic Walk. Shortish walk around the village area (NEW ROUTE!) followed by pot-luck picnic lunch at a nice spot. Bring food TO SHARE and your choice of drink. A surprise may await - more details in next month's Agiot!

**Saturday, 11 May ERMONES:** Tsamourou Hillside and the Theotoki Valley (1 1/2 hours \*\*). Meet at Dizi Bar, Gran Mediterraneo Hotel gate, Ermones, 10.00 for 10.30 start. Lunch at Nafsika Restaurant, Ermones Beach.

**NOTE:** A slightly shorter version of this walk, overing some new ground with great views. Chance to swim before lunch.

**Subsequent walks will be decided on a week-by-week basis, depending on temperature conditions.**



*Kouramades*

## Video Plus Corner

**Durrells**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1gCBfADKmE&fbclid=IwAR34xqAKFci6Zdxy7GBvKrc46NmlcI4zuP\\_SFLkkg6IhsZ1WvMVPQ4VrMpc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1gCBfADKmE&fbclid=IwAR34xqAKFci6Zdxy7GBvKrc46NmlcI4zuP_SFLkkg6IhsZ1WvMVPQ4VrMpc)

**The Irishmen who Fought in the Waffen SS  
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**Brexit**

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# Hilary's Ramblings

Contributed by Hilary Paipeti

## How to dream up new taxes



I READ RECENTLY THAT GREECE is now officially out of 'austerity', though I doubt that pensioners will find their halved monthly payments suddenly restored to pre-crash levels; nor is it likely that a sudden rush of new job opportunities will recall the country's enterprising youngsters from economic exile abroad. No, the most probable outcome will be that the political 'class' will exploit the news as a pretext to give themselves a pay rise (note that they didn't get a cut), and to employ more of their relatives and cronies in lucrative government sinecures.

Another believable outcome might be that they will take the opportunity to start squeezing the taxpayer once more. I have checked a source at the little-known Department for Dreaming Up New Taxes \* (whose employees are affectionately known as DUNTIes, and less flatteringly as DUNTERheads) and have discovered that one of their latest wheezes is the possible imposition of a chimney tax.

Since austerity has undoubtedly reduced domestic fuel revenues, due to householders' turning down their central heating and switching to wood fires when possible, chimneys represent an innovative way to raise taxes. After all, you can't put a levy on wood, as no invoice chain stretches back to an original supplier (as it does in the case of oil). And who's to say where the wood came from - you might have cut it yourself, after all. Thus, the sole signifier of solid fuel usage, in place of easily taxable heating oil, is the chimney... you've got one, you must be burning logs, so we'll tax your presumed wood consumption. Watch this space.

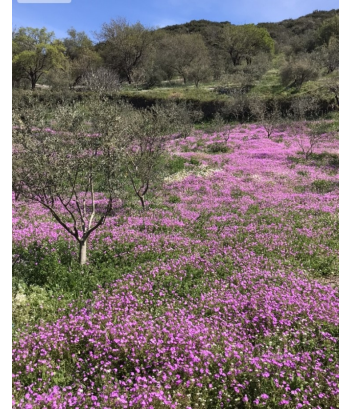
Coming up next - a dog tax? Why do you think supermarkets issue loyalty cards? For your good? Or maybe so the powers-that-be can check back on your purchases? Buying dog food? You must have a dog. Pay up!

\* Initially it was titled the Department for Conjuring Up New Taxes, but someone realised in time that the acronym might cause offence.

## Tracking Spring through Saturday Walks

MARCH 1 (FRIDAY):

There's only one way out of my gate and through the fields, and only after ten minutes does the route diverge. Thus, on shorter walks, we tend to pass the same landmarks time after time. One is a solitary tree beside a gravel track. On this Friday morning, it was winter-stark and bare; but on our early evening stroll later the same day, it suddenly was bearing the first greenery of the year - and so were similar ones alongside the road.



MARCH 2 (SATURDAY): A lovely day to walk to the ex-beach of Myrriotissa, where waves now crash on the place where 'lion-gold sand' once stretched. But just below the monastery, Bermuda Buttercup had taken over a steep bank, sea-facing and frost-free. This introduced flower is a pest, as it both seeds and suckers, muscling out the indigenous plants. But insects love it, and the area was a-flutter with at least a dozen species of butterflies, plus some hummingbird hawk-moths, all encouraged into activity by the glorious weather.



Other wild flowers of spring bloomed whilst we were walking. Driving post-walk on the back road to Tristrato, the tree canopies displayed a fuzz of golden-green in various shades, with lemony, amber or russet undertones, and fields were sheeted with pale alyssum. Hedgerows had suddenly sprouted a froth of white blossom, so that if you took wing over the valley - or more prosaically sent up a drone - you would see all the field patterns laid out in snowy borders.

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MARCH 9 - MARCH 23. The middle weeks in March generally constitute the best time in all the year for wild flowers. It's a period when the floral palette of spring is at its most varied, before it's swallowed later in straggly purple vetch and thistle. But at the same time, the blooms of late winter remain: the beautiful Algerian iris, of which the Corfu version is a local sub-species; the lovely anemones, with their vast colour-chart ranging from glowing purple to bleached-out mauve, as well as its sky-blue mountain-loving cousin (*Anemone blanda*). Both anemones were the dominant species on our March 23 walk (Sokraki), the former carpeting forest glades and the yard of an isolated church; the paler *blanda* variety buried beneath protecting plants. I wish these weeks would last longer, but they are over in a blink.



## Sc-ramblings: Recipes from Koula's Kitchen Enjoy!

KOULA WAS MY EX SISTER-IN-LAW, a person of such quintessential stupidity that she'd have been a hot favourite in any competition to find the world's dimmest human. She was also incredibly bossy and congenitally unable to accept any other person's view as valid. On any matter. Give such an individual free rein in the kitchen at your peril...

Although she'd had normal schooling, Koula read with difficulty (with a finger running under the words and out loud), so written recipes were not part of her life. She had learned certain cookery techniques by watching her mother (basic stuff only, mostly boiled) and other women. But Koula knew better. If a dish was good when

made with one cup of olive oil, it would be better if you threw in two. If a dish worked when cooked for one hour, two hours cooking would perfect it. If a dish was flavoursome with one spoon of spice, it would surely improve with two spoons. This is known as Koula's First Principle of Cooking - Never Fail To Be Heavy-Handed.

Sometimes a heavy hand is of benefit. Pastitsada requires one, or you end up with the insipid, dumbed-down tourist version. But Pastitsada is not for every day, and many dishes need a lighter touch.

They weren't going to get that at Koula's.

One Sunday morning, she bustled along to my house (too close for comfort, but then her residence on the moon would have been), carrying an oven tray covered with the ubiquitous foil and several towels (to ensure the neighbours did not find out what she was cooking so they couldn't gossip about it), her pull-out, plug-in oven having given up the ghost. I was instructed to cook it for her.

I did what the neighbours would have killed to have done - I peeked. This Sunday's lunch was pork, the menu under Koula having diverged from the alternating roast chicken and Pastitsada that Ma-in-law had served up before she lost culinary charge. Koula was a Moderniser (see December Agiot).

So, sitting in the oven tray was a hacked-off slab of pork. It was surrounded by potatoes and swam in about an inch of olive oil. So far so heavy-handed. But on top of the lot sat the contents of a whole packet of margarine (the much-hyped Neo Vitam). Such was my horror that I scooped up the marge and hurled it over the fence into next door's olive grove. When I later asked Koula why she'd added the marge to what is already a fatty meat (plus more fat from the olive oil), she replied: 'To give it some taste!' Considering the amount of salt, pepper and oregano that had been sprinkled on the meat, lack of taste was the least worry! By the way, I didn't let on that I'd chucked the marge - that would have invited instant death.

Lunch on New Year's Day was never an occasion to embrace with any enthusiasm. Family superstition dictated that absolutely every kind of food imaginable be served, on the basis that a generous nosh on the first day of the year would ensure bounty for the coming months. So, there was salami and spam and meatballs and chicken and beef stew and chops and potatoes and rice and pasta and salads and peas and olives and three sorts of cheese. And the cooked stuff was all overdone and cold to the point of congealing. Koula was the only 'cook' I have met who could prepare peas so that they were both over-boiled and bullet hard; she was the only person I knew who could grate carrots so that they possessed the texture of tree-bark.

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My Pa-in-law, whose 40-year Valium habit caused mood-swings you needed to avoid, would consume anything put in front of him. I felt complemented initially when he tucked into my offerings with gusto and praise - until I saw him doing the same over a bowl of Boiled Bone Soup (see December). But even he complained at Koula's Pastitsada one Sunday - she had obviously taken inspiration from the 'Rope Stew' popular in tavernas a decade before (see various Scramblings from last year). Having no teeth, he could not even 'gum' the meat down as normal. Like in the event of any smidgen of censure, Koula bridled. 'Well, I don't know why it's tough. The animal was only slaughtered yesterday!' Many village women in those days were ignorant of the practice of hanging beef after killing (because you can only do this if you can refrigerate the meat), and would demand 'fresh' flesh. But since fridges were already a kitchen fixture of many years' usage, Koula's only excuse was ignorance and inability to take advice.

There are very few foods I cannot eat even if properly prepared (i.e. not by Koula). One is stockfish (onomatopoeically named 'stakofisi' in Greek). The recipe goes like this: Soak stockfish (cod dried to resemble a plank) in water for a week. Boil for seven hours.

Serve your guests with what now has the colour, taste and texture of corrugated cardboard - although the peppery sauce, heavy with garlic and lemon juice, was nice squidged into the potatoes - as long as you avoided the fishy chews.

And here is Koula's version of invalid food: Boiled rice porridge, unsalted. For breakfast, lunch and supper, as long as the illness lasts. Having thrown off the original sickness, you now suffer from anaemia and other nutritional deficiencies. Fortunately, I never had to try it.

But the very worst meal of all was not terrible because of bad food. I can't even recall what we ate, except for tzatziki and cake (see below). No, it was memorable for manners that breached all principles of civilised behaviour. See what you think, and prepare to be disgusted.



The family was hosting a lunch for cousins from Athens, on their summer stay. We'd all finished eating the savoury part of the meal, 'starters' and main courses all going to table at once, as is normal village serving practice. Only Koula still had her nose in her plate in her true troughing style (and I mean this literally; just a one-inch gap between honker and pottery surface, in order to facilitate the shovelling). Then suddenly - horror! - her plate was empty; she came up for air, beady eyes scanning the table in case there was something still left. Her attention alighted on the tzatziki plate, where a scraping remained. Out went the prehensile finger and scooped up the leavings. Into mouth went finger. Finger returned to swab plate and back to mouth for final suck. No food left now! Koula leapt up. It was time for another course! Creamy shop-bought cake gifted by the guests! Koula picked up the knife to cut the confection, but before she made the first incision she carefully ran her finger down the blade, both ways. The unwashed finger flavoured with garlicky tzatziki, and dressed with her saliva...

That just takes the cake, doesn't it?

NEXT TIME: Christmas dinners - Home and Away.

## Pearls of Pasta Wisdom (Not from Koula)

NO WONDER THE POPULATION IS SO DUMBED DOWN, when this sort of advice is deemed worthy of a national newspaper. In a recent article in the Daily Mail, a 'top chef' from Australia has offered guidance about how to cook pasta. Among the startling tips are:

- \* The boiling water is one of the most important parts.
- \* Once you've dropped your pasta into the water you need to stir it.
- \* Following the timings on the packet will make the pasta al dente.

You don't say!

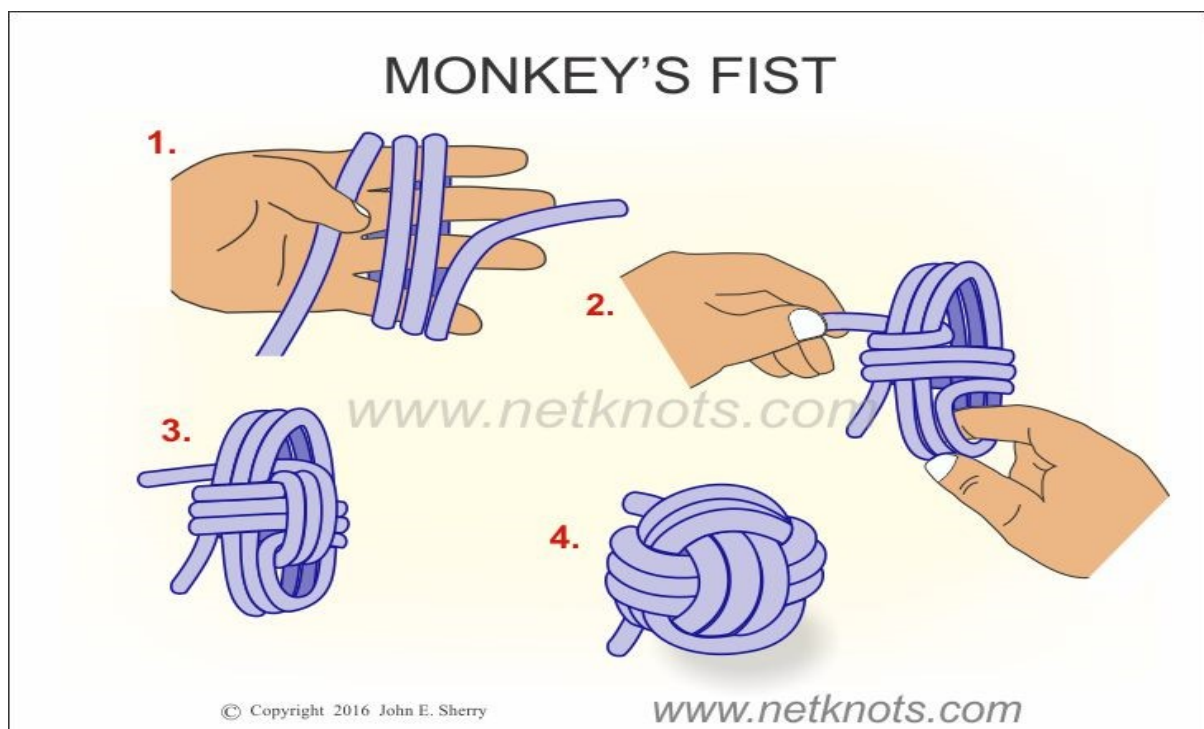
Is the snowflake generation so dependent on their microwaved ready meals that they haven't grasped these basic facts - facts most of us have been cognisant of for 40-odd years - without the intervention of a 'top chef' to take the place of their brain?

## Tickle Ties the knot

In the continuing series of useful knots and how to tie them, a more decorative knot that had useful origins

### The Monkey's Fist

The origin of the Monkey's Fist knot is as a heaving line knot used on ships of sail of yesteryear. However, the knot is now more popular as a decorative knot and can be found in sizes small to large: from key chains to door stopper weights.



- Take your rope and with the long working end make three wraps around the fingers of your hand.
- While holding the first set of turns in place, make three more turns passing outside the middle of the first three turns. Finish this step by passing the working end around one side of the first set of turns. This sets up the working end for the next step which passes the end through the inside of the previous wraps.
- Now make three turns around the set of wraps made in the previous step, passing through the inside of the knot. Double check that you have made the same number of turns for each step.
- Finishing the knot: At this point a round object can be inserted in the center of the wraps or the standing end of the rope can be tucked inside either with or without a stopper knot at the end as well. Working slowly (and patiently) begin tightening by working on each wrap, starting near the buried stopper knot and finishing with the other end of the rope. Do not pull too hard on the first few wraps. You will need to work your way through the knot more than once. The use of a small screwdriver or awl can help on the last tightening session through the knot.

## Simon's World



Ah yes, the Punch swizzle! I'm struggling to learn how to use one, bought a fortnight ago, but haven't managed more than a very incompetent version of 'That's the way to do it!' - blowing spit on myself and Judy. Advice? [Ed: Don't give up the day job, Simon].

For those on Facebook here is Simon, with friend, in concert.

<https://www.facebook.com/itchenabbas/videos/pcb.10161486835920453/10161486829995453/?type=3&theater>

Sent to us from a very brave Saudi woman who is at risk for sending this to us but wanted it posted anyways.

Translation: "I hate this piece of fabric.

The color is depressing and it is not my choice. I'm forced to wear it by the men in my family,

I'm really tied down. A 30-year-old woman and I can't decide for myself."



Male Guardianship actually enables males to force dress code upon women because disobeying the guardian and leaving home is something she can be reported to the police for as a crime. So male guardians and family can use this as a threat, on top of physical or mental abuse.

[stopenslavingsaudiwomen](https://www.facebook.com/stopenslavingsaudiwomen)

There is a cheese I enjoy and buy from a deli in the Great Western Arcade in Birmingham which I'm not allowed to keep in our house and which is so pungently odiferous the French Republic has implemented legislation forbidding- under threat of heavy penalties - its carriage on all public transport - Époisses de Bourgogne! I was on a bus between Dijon and Auxerre in Burgundy and we were stopped at a checkpoint by the local gendarmerie. All passengers had to get out and line up on the verge while police with sniffer dogs ('Fromages chiens' - specially bred for the express purpose) checked us over. "Est-ce qu'il y a des passagers transportant des époisses de Bourgogne! S'il vous plaît aller de l'avant". I could not believe it at first but they were deadly serious. Rather than lose my treasured cheese I was allowed to unload my folding bicycle from the luggage compartment of the bus and resigned myself to cycling the rest of the way to Auxerre under showers of warm wet rain. I arrived in the city just after dusk and was to my amazement (the story had travelled ahead) met by the local press, while enjoying my unwrapped Époisses at a bar in the Place Charles Lepère with a glass of flinty Chablis and a piece of the crustiest fresh bread. My story went viral. I was invited to a meeting with the Mayor of Auxerre, Charles-Hippolyte Ribière, who with Gallic savoir faire, apologised for the actions of regional police, and presented me with a complimentary freedom of the city for the weekend. Hold on! We did a selfie - now, where did I put it?



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Re the Agiot helping keep the memory of pastoral economies alive you might be interested in these marble reliefs/friezes by the laic sculptor of Ano Korakiana Aristeidis Metallinos. ...<http://democracystreet.blogspot.com/2013/10/ano-korakiana-in-relief.html>

**Ano Korakiana in relief ~ Αριστείδης Μεταλληνός**



The Aristeidis Metallinos Museum on *Democracy Street* in Ano Korakiana



A peddler arrives in the village



Ploughing with oxen



The village smithy



Spinning wool



Treading wine



Cutting planks with a two man frame saw



The cat in the bakery (*Images of the sculptor's work posted with permission from the family*)



A family in their donkey cart carrying wine-skins (or are they olive oil skins?)



Distaff and flute in the olive groves



The family in the countryside



Women of the village washing clothes



Hunting small birds for the pot



Milking the goat



Pressing the farmer's olive oil



'Parliament of animals - we want justice'. Aristeidis Metallinos

*and these two on the telephone...*





*'Nick's Niche'*

# Nick The Clock's World

(The comic With A conscience)



**The Urine test (This was written by a rig worker in the North Sea - What he says makes a lot of sense!)**

I work, they pay me. I pay my taxes and the government distributes my taxes as it sees fit.

In order to earn that pay cheque, I work on a rig for a drilling contractor. I am required to pass a random urine test for drugs and alcohol, with which I have no problem.

What I do have a problem with is the distribution of my taxes to people who don't have to pass a urine test.

Shouldn't one have to pass a urine test to get a benefits cheque because I have to pass one to earn it for them?

Please understand that I have no problem with helping people get back on their feet.

I do on the other hand have a problem with helping someone sit on their arse drinking beer and smoking dope.

Could you imagine how much money the government would save if people had to pass a urine test to get a benefit cheque?

Please pass this along if you agree or simply delete it if you don't.

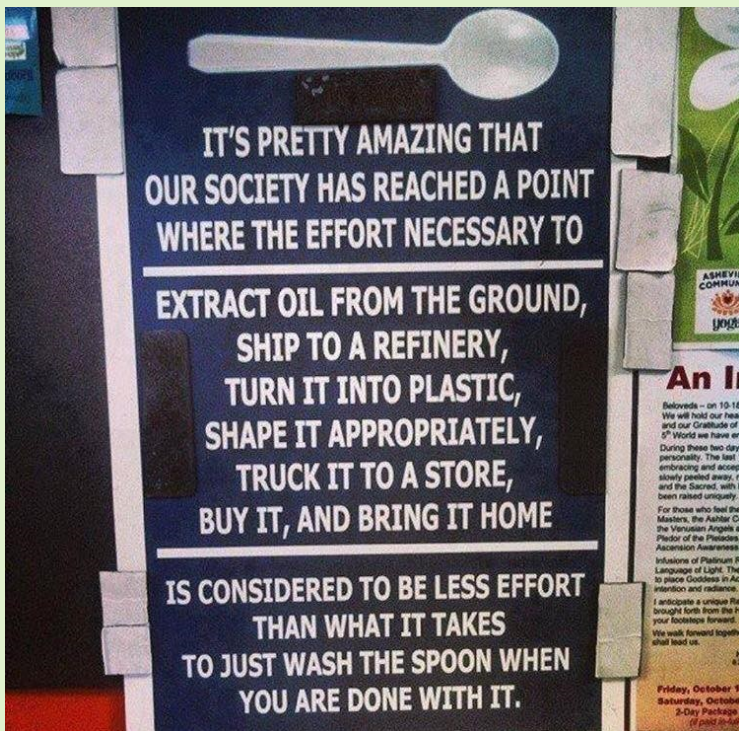
Hope you will pass it along though, because something has to change in the UK, and soon!

*"The majority of voters want a peoples vote" ..*  
**No they don't. We already did that in 2016!**

*"No one wants to leave the EU with no deal" .....*  
**Yes they do. WTO is now the favoured exit policy.**

*"No one really knew what Brexit meant" ...*  
**Yes they did. A leaflet costing £9m was delivered to every house in the country which 'clearly laid out' what leaving the EU would mean.**

**You need to talk to people outside the M25 and stop peddling your Westminster LIES!**



# Nick The Clock's World

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Paddy stumbles across a mass baptism at a river.  
 He walks into the river and stands next to the preacher  
 "Are you ready to find Jesus my son?"  
 Paddy says, "I am sir"  
 Preacher puts him under the water then says, "Have you found Jesus?"  
 "No sir"  
 He then puts him under for longer...  
 "Have you found Jesus?"  
 "No sir"  
 He puts him under for 2 minutes...  
 "Have you found Jesus?"  
 Paddy says, "Are you sure this is where he fell in?"



'LSD makes users lose weight.'  
 That makes sense.  
 It's kinda hard to get to the fridge when there's a dragon guarding it.



Try This Tongue Twister  
 Say It Out Loud Six Times Quickly  
 Very Few People Can  
**Eye, Yam, Stew, Pid**

Cabal: "Let's stick this stuff in the water supply, toothpaste and create falsified research to educate dentists and the Government that it's good for them. Since it also calcifies the pineal gland, people will continue on being spiritually asleep and remain materialistic—perfect for consumerism and filling our pockets."



If our voices held no power, they wouldn't try to silence us 🖐️

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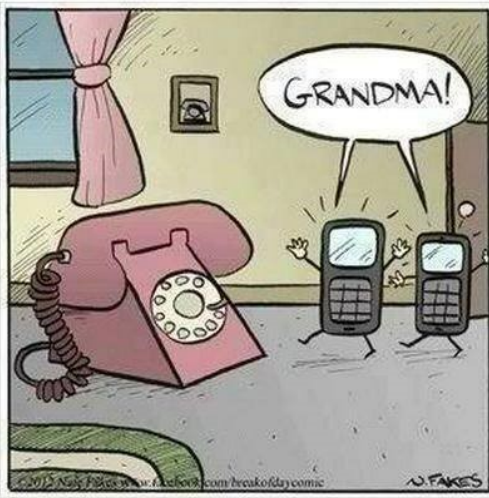
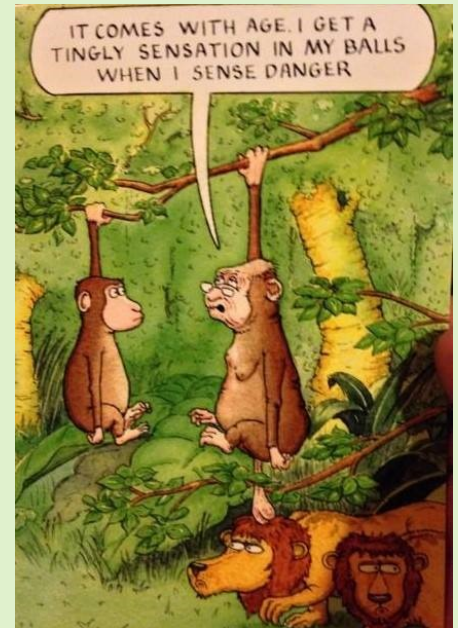
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# Nick The Clock's World

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italian condoms are weird



**A: Why are you late?**

**B: There was a man who lost a hundred dollar bill.**

**A: That's nice. Were you helping him look for it?**

**B: No, I was standing on it.**



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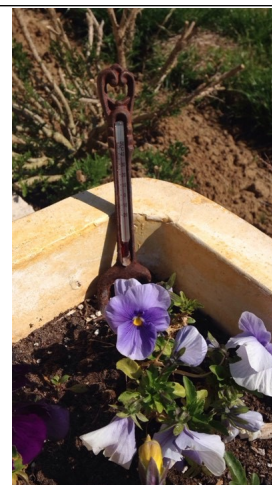
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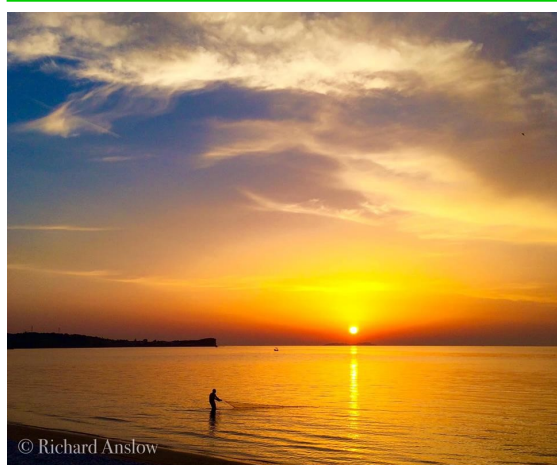
## Corfu Weather Statistics - March 2019

### Summary

|                               | Max  | Avg  | Min |
|-------------------------------|------|------|-----|
| <b>Temperature (°F)</b>       |      |      |     |
| Max Temperature               | 73   | 62   | 55  |
| Avg. Temperature              | 65   | 57   | 48  |
| Min. Temperature              | 55   | 49   | 38  |
| <b>Precipitation (inches)</b> |      |      |     |
| Precipitation                 | 0.59 | 0.02 | 0.7 |
| <b>Dew Point (°F)</b>         |      |      |     |
| Dew Point                     | 57   | 47   | 27  |



Hot day in our valley



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*The Greek service referred to here every month has decided to switch to the Imperial system, just to keep you on your toes.*

## Aunty Lula's Love-bites

### VEGETABLE CURRY

#### INGREDIENTS:

- 4 tablespoons oil
- 2 onions, sliced
- 2 teaspoons ground coriander
- 2 teaspoons ground turmeric
- 1 teaspoon of sweet paprika
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 teaspoons chopped root ginger
- 500g diced mixed vegetables e.g. carrots, sweet potatoes, pumpkin or sliced courgette
- 1 small cauliflower, only the florets
- Pinch of chilli powder
- Salt and pepper
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 50g cashew nuts, roasted
- 150ml vegetable or chicken stock
- 250ml coconut milk
- 150ml single cream

#### GO:

Heat the oil in a large pan, add the onions and fry until softened. Add the spices and garlic and cook for a further minute. Add the mixed vegetables and fry for five or six minutes, stirring. Add the stock, salt and pepper to taste, chilli powder, lemon juice, sugar and coconut milk.

Cover and simmer for about 20/25 minutes.

Break the cauliflower into florets and cook for a further 15 minutes.

Stir in the nuts and single cream and heat through gently. Serve with Basmati rice.



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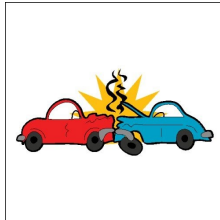
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**Ash Wednesday (6th March)  
11:00 Ashing Service**

**Sunday (31st March)  
10:30 Mothering Sunday Service**

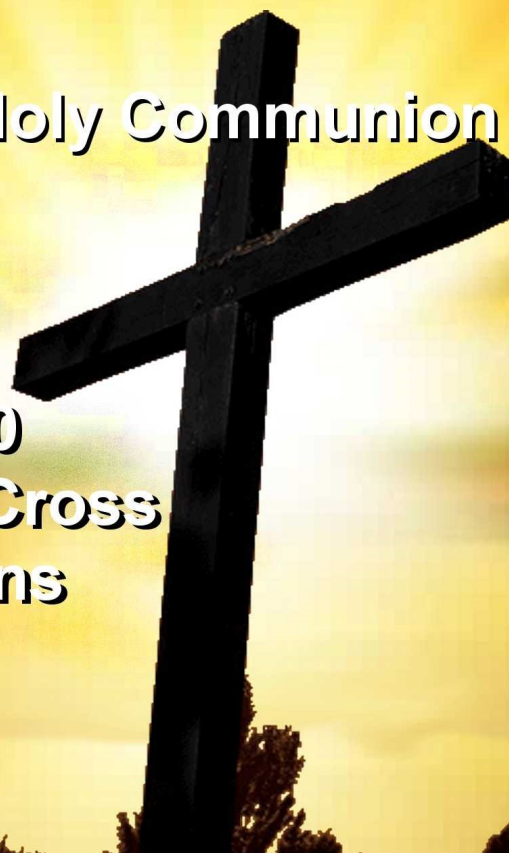
## **Holy Week 14th - 21st April**

**Palm Sunday 10:30  
The Passion Story with Holy Communion**

**Maundy Thursday 19:00  
A Passover Meal**

**Good Friday 12:00 - 15:00  
Liturgy / Stations of the Cross  
The Final Hour Meditations**

**Easter Day 10:30  
Easter Celebration**



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## What's on at Holy Trinity Corfu

|            |           |   |
|------------|-----------|---|
| Mon        | 1         | 17:30 Home Group  |
| Tues       | 2         | 10:00 Water Colour Group  |
| Thurs      | 4         | 10:30 Bible Study at HTC<br>17:00 Worship Group   |
| Fri        | 5         | 09:00 Prayer Meeting<br>10:30 Little Angels Mums & Tots   |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>7</b>  | <b>10:30 Family Communion &amp; Sunday School followed by the AGM</b>   |
| Mon        | 8         | 17:30 Home Group  |
| Tues       | 9         | 10:00 Master's Crafters   |
| Wed        | 10        | 12:30 Lunch 'n Meet   |
| Thurs      | 11        | 10:30 Bible Study at HTC<br>17:00 Worship Group<br>18:00 Ministry Team Meeting  |
| Fri        | 12        | 09:00 Prayer Meeting<br>10:30 Little Angels Mums & Tots<br>18:00 Messonghi Communion Service  |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>10:30 Palm Sunday Family Communion</b>   |
| Mon        | 15        | 17:30 Home Group  |
| Thurs      | 18        | 09:15 Pastoral Care Group<br>10:30 Bible Study at HTC<br>17:00 Worship Group<br>19:00 Maundy Thursday Passover Meal                   |
| Fri        | 19        | 09:00 Prayer Meeting<br>10:30 Little Angels Mums & Tots<br>12:00 Good Friday Liturgy / Stations of the Cross / Final Hour Reflections |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>10:30 Easter Celebration</b>   |
| Mon        | 22        | 17:30 Home Group<br>(Other usual activities suspended this week due to Orthodox Holy Week)  |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>10:30 Family Communion</b><br>(Orthodox Easter Sunday)   |

### Following on from The Beatitudes...

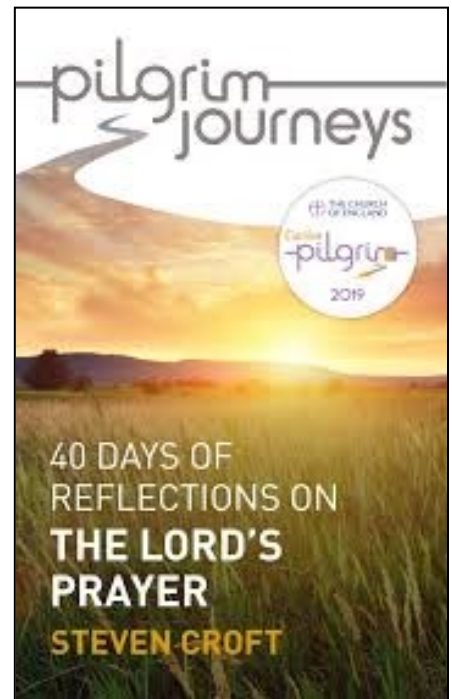
There has been a lot of positive feedback about sharing something together as a church family and the Pilgrim material has been well received. It feels like it would be a good thing therefore to carry on our shared journey through the 40 days of Easter.

The Pilgrim series recommend continuing with a prayerful study of the Lord's Prayer, which, again, we all know well and may be a great opportunity to explore it's depths together.

As a result, we have ordered copies for everyone here in the church family in Corfu and would like to encourage us all to share in this. Again, the material is available on an App for those who prefer it or even a daily email if that works better for you.

I hope we can continue our Lent pilgrimage into an Easter one together.

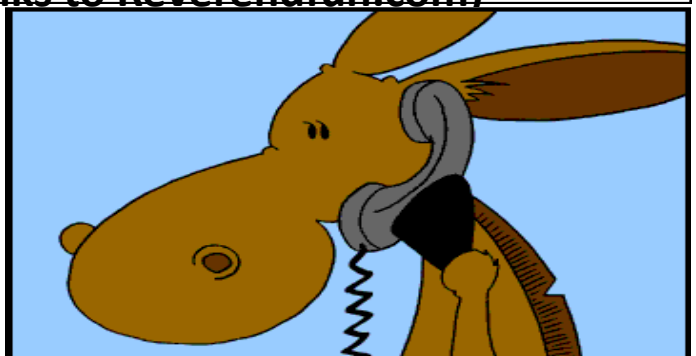
Be blessed,  
Jules.



## Cartoons (with thanks to Reverendfun.com)



Thanks to Mikel Rice 05-12-1998  
DON'T YOU THINK THAT YOU ARE TAKING THIS "HIGH PRIEST" GIG JUST A LITTLE TOO FAR?



(See Numbers 22:22-34) 05-25-1998  
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**Soutzoukakia**

# This is Rubbish

Stern warning from European Commission regarding the rubbish in Corfu



ATHENS. Greece once again on the receiving end of a warning - two months to give satisfactory explanations.

The European Commission has sent a letter to the Greek authorities with a stern warning regarding waste management in Corfu. According to the report in *Kathimerini*, this follows complaints (since summer 2018) that waste is no longer being collected or treated on the island, and that it is being left on the streets or "sent to undisclosed locations".

In 2008 member states agreed to protect public health and the environment from waste through the implementation of suitable waste management and processing measures.

The EC says, "The EU guideline encourages the reduction in use of landfills and an increase in recycling and the re-use of waste. The fact that measures have not been implemented to deal with the waste situation in Corfu is a clear violation of EU environmental laws".

The warning from the Commission has been interpreted as the first step in preliminary proceedings before being referred to the European Court. The second step is a reasoned opinion - which is sent if the country doesn't give satisfactory explanations within two months.

## MEANTIMES

Town Council: There is no Plan B for the waste



COUNCIL MEETING - DIMOTIKO

CORFU. Kostas Nikolouzos said, "The matter of the operation of Lefkimmi residue landfill isn't my responsibility. The government is determined to speed up all the necessary procedures."

Last night's meeting of the Town Council was devoted almost exclusively to the issue of waste management and Corfu Mayor Kostas Nikolouzos explained the road map that had been announced on 13 March.

All interested parties were present at the meeting: both Temploni Societies and Lefkimmi Cultural Society as well as candidates in the upcoming local and regional elections.

After requesting that the discussion be carried out in a peaceful and civilised manner, the Mayor updated the Council and others present on the waste management plan and the latest developments. He stressed that if everything goes according to plan, we will be able to manage the waste this summer without any problems. If there are problems, there is no other management plan. The study for the construction of a Waste Management Unit in Temploni is complete - it was submitted on 31 December 2018 and is awaiting final approval. Meanwhile the procedure for commissioning a study for the residue landfill is in progress. Both of these projects will be included in the ESPA (National Strategic Reference Framework) programme with funding of approximately 50m Euros.

he implementation of the four projects - sorting at source, biowaste and recycling and the setting up of green spots - has also been speeded up. These are included in the ESPA programme with a budget of 2.9m Euros.

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As regards the waste management transitional phase, the work has been contracted out and will be operational again from 1 April reinforced by a double baling belt. This will be followed by the repair and operation of the South Corfu residual landfill in Lefkimmi.

Once the 5-stremma plot of land owned by the Brotherhood charity has been granted permission in the immediate future, the transportation of residue bales from Temploni will commence.

Furthermore, once the purchase of the adjacent 52 stremma plot of land in Temploni has been completed and the necessary permission granted, the necessary construction work will begin in April for the temporary storage of residue bales along with restoration of the Temploni landfill - with a budget of 3.7m Euros.

Regarding Lefkimmi residual landfill, the Mayor said, *"The matter of the operation of Lefkimmi residue landfill isn't my responsibility. I have made many efforts at great personal cost. If the government is determined that Lefkimmi should operate, let them find a way to do it."*

### Letter from TUI

In response to a question from the 'Kerkyraion Dimos' councillor Nikos Hirdaris regarding the letter from TUI, Kostas Nikolouzos said that he intends to give the same reply that he gave to the Ministry of Tourism, "If all goes well, we won't have a problem in the summer. If something doesn't go as planned, then I don't have an answer."

### The fines

In response to a question from councillor Yiannis Kritikos regarding the financial correction of 4.7m Euros, Kostas Nikolouzos said that according to the latest update, if Lefkimmi landfill wasn't operational on 1 March 2019 the EU would charge the amount. The government informed the EU of the recent damage to the facility but nothing has been heard back. Regarding the fine for Temploni landfill, Mr. Nikolouzos said that another fine was expected - even bigger than that of 2012!

### Proposal from Lefkimmi Cultural Society

At the meeting time was given for the representatives from Lefkimmi and Temploni to speak. For the first time, Lefkimmi Secretary Yiannis Pandis offered an alternative proposal for an incinerating system and said that they had made exploratory approaches to foreign companies asking for offers. Temploni President Magda Papanikolopoulou said there had been long-term mismanagement and opposed the plan to bury thousands of tons of waste as part of the renovation and integration of the cells. At the end she broke down saying, "We can't take any more rubbish in Temploni" and was unable to control her tears.

The only response she got from the Mayor was that everything would be done according to the amendments to the environmental regulations, adding that we needed to look at the reality - waste management needs land and space.



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### It is not only Corfu that gets a bad Press

This was spotted on Facebook by an eagle-eyed correspondent.

Apologies for quality of picture here.



# Bespoke Property

Good progress has been made in March, thanks to kind weather. The construction creeps up the hill at Barbati, with the lower wall built for retainment and, the shell of the pool in place, pipework below.

Look out for more snaps next month.



The slab



Shuttering for pool



Steel in place



Pool concrete



Pool view



Pollarding trees



The shell



From below



# Tracey's Tips



Certain food and drink have great benefits to your health. Here are some examples ❤️

If you are

|  |   |   |  |
|--|---|---|--|
| <br>Almonds<br>Increase blood flow to the brain                      | <br>Walnuts<br>High in Omega 3                     | <br>Blueberries<br>Improve learning & motor skills   | <br>Brussels Sprouts<br>has tryptophan which converts to serotonin in the brain |
| <br>Broccoli<br>assists in proper brain functioning                  | <b>BOOST BRAIN AND MEMORY</b>   |   | <br>Ginger<br>Anti-inflammatory may help protect from brain disease             |
| <br>Cauliflower<br>Assists in cleansing white matter in brain & spin |   |   | <br>Apple<br>power food for mind body & emotions                                |
| <br>Pine nuts<br>helps stimulate brain activity                      | <br>Cantaloupe/<br>Rockmelon<br>supports the brain | <br>Cabbage<br>High intake of cruciferous may lower risk of brain, lung & prostate cancer. | <br>Watermelon<br>targets brain function  |

looking for a healthy breakfast idea, try experimenting and adding different fruit to your oatmeal for a yummy yet nutritious start to the day



## Green Tea

- Fights cancer
- Lowers cholesterol
- Prevents cavities
- Protects against heart disease
- Speeds metabolism
- Prevents diabetes
- Antiviral agent
- Maintains a healthy circulatory system
- Strengthens tooth enamel
- Reduces plaque and bacteria in your mouth
- Prevents dementia
- Full of antioxidants
- Prevents food poisoning
- Gives healthy skin
- Prevents bad breath
- Detoxifies



My favourite fashion accessory at the moment are scarfs. Whether they are plain, coloured or totally flamboyant they all look simply amazing and give any outfit that extra touch of uniqueness and glamour.

## 10 Incredible Health Benefits of Oranges



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Oranges help prevent free-radical damage, which normally triggers the inflammatory cascade
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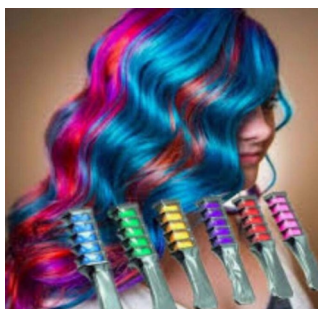
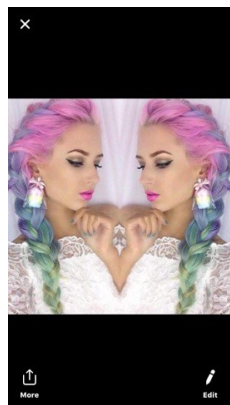


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'Mermaid Hair Colouring' is really hot right now. Its fun versatile and you can create your own beautiful unique look using a variety of pale or vibrant colours. I haven't been brave enough to try yet but watch this space 😊😌



And this is me

# Corfu Monthly News

## Official opening of Corfu Archaeological Museum with Deputy Minister of Culture



*Official opening ceremony*

CORFU. Deputy Minister of Culture Kostas Stratis cut the ribbon to officially open the renovated Archaeological Museum on Sunday afternoon accompanied by the Director of Corfu Antiquities Inspectorate Tenia Rigakou.

Also present at the opening were Regional Governor Theodoros Galiatsatos, Corfu Mayor Kostas Nikolouzos, Deputy Regional Governor Nikoletta Pandi, the two SYRIZA MPs Fotini Vaki and Kostas Pavlidis, local and regional councillors and many others.

The museum has been completely renovated with exhibits displayed in a completely new way and is now a true 'jewel'. The space has been divided into historical periods and there are now screens along with hardware. A museum shop will open shortly.



*Exhibits*

Corfu Archaeological Museum had been closed for renovation for five years before - after many difficulties - reopening at the beginning of November 2018.

The complete renovation was funded by the European Regional Development Fund and was completed in 2017 and a team from the Ministry of Culture came to the Museum to take over the work.

The reopening was delayed by the lack of personnel which affected all the archaeological and historical sites in Corfu (a reminder that the New Fortress remained closed last summer!). The closed Archaeological Museum was a matter of great concern for the local community and tourism professionals and the matter reached the Greek Parliament. The non-operation of this tourist attraction led to a loss of potential income. The official opening had also become a source of contention recently between the two major political parties - SYRIZA and ND - in this election period.

## Pine Leaves

Greece combines young energy and ambition with indifference and defeat

Richard Pine ponders on the reasons for Greek success in culture and sport, whilst at the same time the nation fails on economic and diplomatic fronts. (Irish Times)

<https://www.irishtimes.com/news/world/europe/greece-combines-young-energy-and-ambition-with-indifference-and-defeat-1.3823397>

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## Beach Rats



A Summer Diary by Lili Gabbiano

Day 5

April 2nd

The sea is dark blue.  
Far out I can see small white sheep jumping.  
Beee,beee, they scream,  
Baaa, baaa they sound in other countries.  
But waves they are, so they don't beee neither they  
baaa.

A light coldish wind touches the warm and oozy  
pebbles.  
Under the umbrella it is kind of cool and I am  
switching my  
Position from shadow to heat every 5 minutes.

Now small waves try to come on shore, obviously  
pushed from wind and current, like shepherds that  
want to bring them  
On dry land.

I am protected here in this small bay with the white  
hot  
Pebbles.  
It's like having floor heating.  
I see dark blue outside, turquoise close by and quite  
foamy  
Waves near my feet...

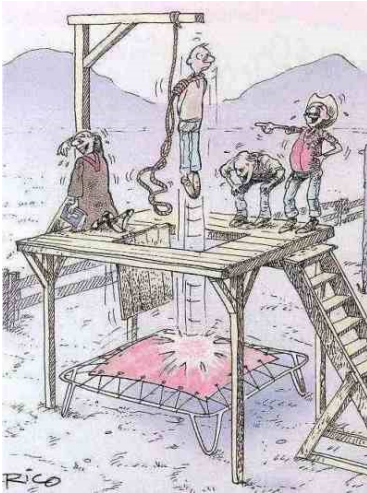
And a lot of diamonds blinking.  
Sun reflects on water.  
Bling, bling...precious sea.

## A Poem

I give you this one thought to keep.  
I am with you still. I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow.  
I am the diamond glints on the snow.  
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.  
I am the gentle autumn rain.  
When you awaken in the morning's hush,  
I am the swift, uplifting rush  
of quiet birds in circled flight.  
I am the soft stars that shine at night.  
Do not think of me as gone.  
I am with you still in each new dawn.



# Gooners Gags



NOTHING IS MADE IN THE UK THESE DAYS. I JUST BOUGHT A RADIO AND IT SAID, BUILT IN ANTENNA

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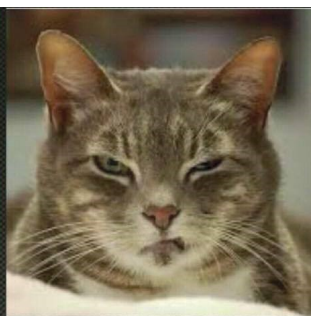
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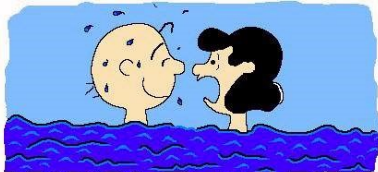
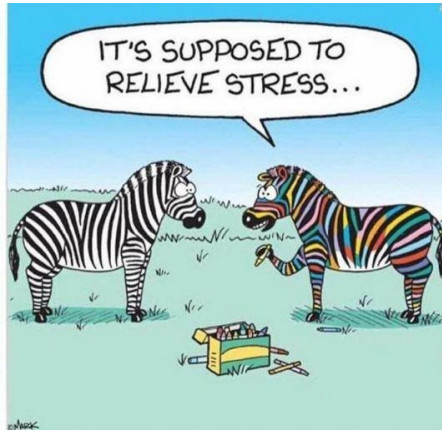
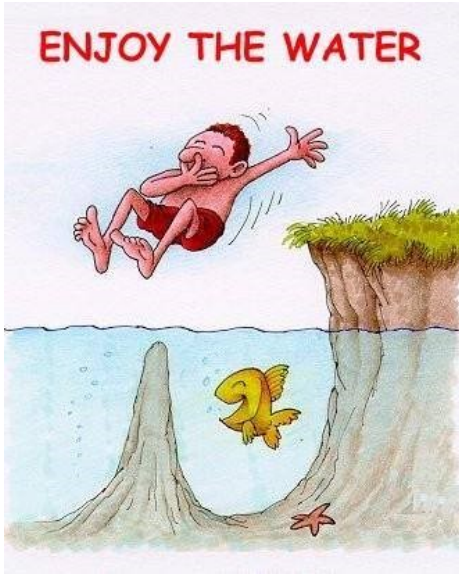
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Craps in a box



Relax, Lady! it's delivered in a plain brown wrapper, see !?!


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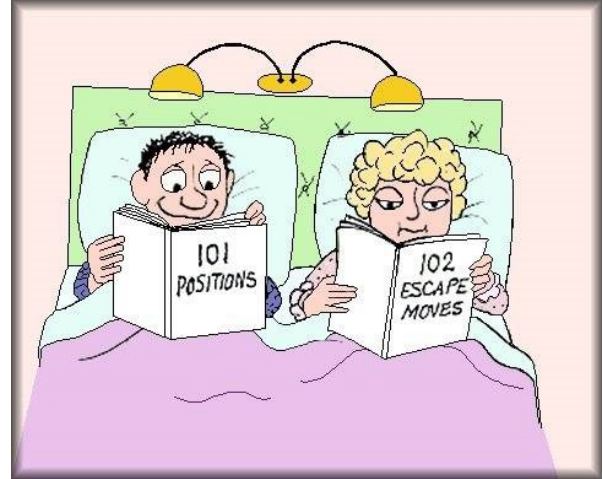
"YOU'RE A LIAR, CHARLIE BROWN. I WILL NOT DROWN IF YOU TAKE IT OUT!!"



an actual drawing, handed to a flight attendant on a Qantas flight by an 8 yr old girl



dear Captain  
 My name is Nicola im 8 years old, this is my first flight but im not scared. I like to watch the clouds go by. My mum says the crew is nice. I think your plane is good. thanks for a nice flight dont fuck up the landing  
 ☀️ LUV Nicola  
 Xx x x





# Nature

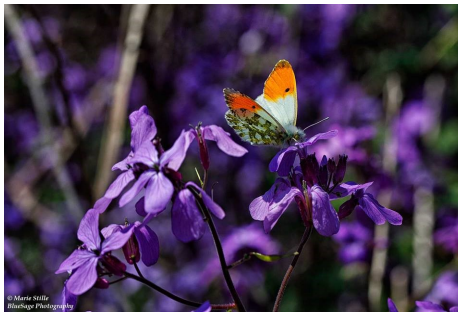
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Coypu, *Myocastor coypu*



Grecian copper, *Lycaena ottomana*  
(male)



Orange-tip, *Anthocharis cardamine*



Large tortoiseshell, *Nymphales polychloros*



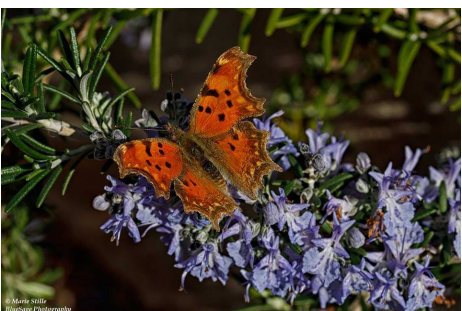
Bee-fly, *Bombylius* sp.



*Ophrys leucadica*



Scarce swallowtail, *Iphiclides podalirius*



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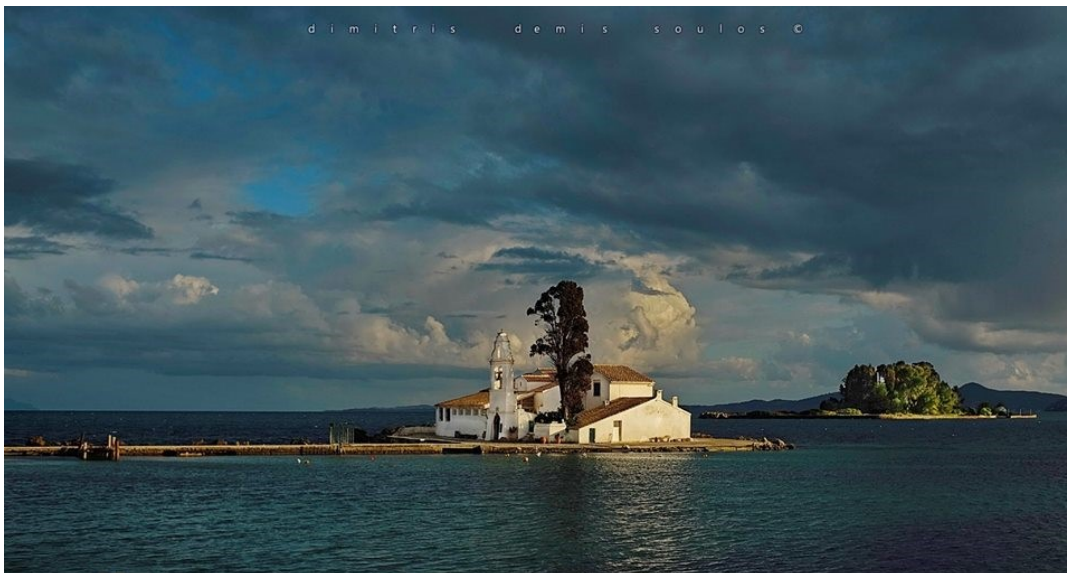
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*Courtesy of Bert Van Rossum*



*Courtesy of Jo Cullen*



*Courtesy of Dimitris Demis Soulos*

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*Dead from plastic in Barbati.*  
**BE MINDFUL**  
*From Giannis Gasteratos*

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# Survivor

"I arrived at the gate two minutes after it was closed. I saw the other passengers getting on board and I was really upset they wouldn't let me in," Antonis Mavropoulos told private Alpha TV on Sunday evening. He was still in shock.

It was "pure luck" or a sequence of factors that Mavropoulos did not get on the fatal flight of Ethiopian Airlines that crashed six minutes after the take off killing 157 people, 149 passengers and 8 crew members.

Mavropoulos had arrived to Addis Abeba airport via another connection flight. He had his suitcase with him. "Because of the suitcase, they didn't have to wait for me," he said.

He explains that the reason he was late was that the person in charge to take him from the arrived plane to the departing one, flight ET 302, was late five minutes. "Then I went to the departure gate by myself," he added.

"Had I given my suitcase or had the person in charge be in time, I would have being on board of the plane," he stressed.

He described this experience is "one of the moments in life that changes the perspective of life ... You realize that our life is hanging from unbranded filaments that you understand when they break apart.."

As he was the only person that missed the crashed flight, Mavropoulos had to undergo a kind of "pseudo-interrogation" as he said. "They kept me as potential suspect but it was clear there was no logical connection between me and the crash."

Later on the day, Mavropoulos wrote down his shocking experience to have escaped death on his Facebook account.

*March 10, 2019-my lucky day*

*Running to catch flight et 302 Addis Ababa – Nairobi, which crashed 6 minutes after taking off, I had my nerves because there was no one to help me go fast. I lost it for two minutes, when I arrived, the boarding was closed and I watched the last passengers in tunnel go in – I screamed to*

*put me in but they didn't allow it. In fact, the flight lost it because I didn't give a suitcase (otherwise they would expect me for 10-15 minutes or more, because finding a suitcase loaded wants at least 40 minutes). Also, as I learned later, I lost her because I came out first and very quickly from the plane and the connection ambassador who came to receive me didn't find me*

*Airport people, kind, promoted me to the next flight that would leave at 11:20, they apologized for the inconvenience and transferred me to a nice lounge for the-waiting.*

*On 10:50, as we joined the next flight, two security officers informed me that for security reasons that a senior officer will explain to me, they will not allow my boarding. In my intense protests they left no margin of discussion and led me to their superior, to the airport police department.*

*He told me gently not to protest and say thank you to God, because I am the only passenger who did not enter the flight et 302 which is missing. And that this was why they can't let me go, until I determine who I am, because I didn't get on the flight and everything. At First I thought he was lying, but his style left no margin of doubt.*

*I felt the ground lost under my feet, but I came back in 1-2 seconds because I thought something else would happen, some communication problem maybe. People were kind, they asked that they had to ask, they my elements and let me wait.*

*They made me sit in a living room and they told me to wait there until they warn me.*

*I was looking on the internet to find elements for the flight, friends from Nairobi informed me that 30 minutes after the expected time had not landed and there was no information about her luck and suddenly all the wifi of the airport.*

*Fortunately there are sms – from close friend I learned that the flight crashed almost just took off and that the issue was going out in the Greek media.*

*Then I realized that I must immediately contact my own people and tell them that I was not in and that for two small random circumstances I lost the flight – the moment I made that thought i collapsed because then exactly I realized how lucky I stood.*

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This text I wrote to manage my shock. I'm posting it because I want to tell everyone that the invisible and, *nēmatidia* of fortune, the out-of-plan circumstances knit the web in which our life is taken. It's millions of small threads we almost never feel – but one to break is enough to feed the whole web instantly.

Really, it's the first time I'm so glad I wrote a post and I'm grateful to live and that I have so many friends that made me feel their love – kisses to all and a warm thank you for your touching support. Special citation reference for early surgery and support to [Jeroen Par Dijk Panos Fragiadakis](#) [Haris Kamariotakis](#) and a big sorry to my family for the shock you've been looking for.

Maybe not too old to rock n roll – but certainly too young to die...

Sunday 10/3/2019, 13:00 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

(the post went up from Nairobi to which I finally arrived)

## Letters to the Editor

Tracey Hawkins from Gravesend posted wrote:

Remembering the days when I had a mortgage of £275 a month, went out every weekend with friends in Rochester, thought nothing of spending £300 on my home in one shopping spree, and going on two holidays a year, Greece and Cuba at times. My life has changed so much now.... I Obviously love my life as Molly's mum, she is my one and only priority and everything i do is for her, even choosing the best area to live for her, the house with a very nice garden etc. I don't live my life for me anymore, but one day i will again I guess, but for now, to me, Molly's life is more important than mine, as she is growing up and learning and experiencing new things. I am there every step of the way, her rock; her security and her happiness are my main priority- to help her grow up and get through secondary school and then the crazy growing up years of partying, clubbing, experiencing new things. I will be there advising her, hoping she won't do all the stupid things, the risks, I did when I was younger but I also want her to have lots of fun. Maybe one day I will remember who I used to be, that carefree girl having fun and enjoying life ... but for now I can't, not yet, my daughter comes first ♡♡♡"

**Ed:** Mum's the word.

Hilary Paipeti mailed

With regard to your 'Polish Warrior Bear' Youtube link (a film should be made of this!), a comment under the video read: 'Americans have the right to bear arms. Poles have the right to arm bears.'



*When I miss the point and Google can't answer..*

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**Carol Davies** mailed in, having unsubscribed from our Letter.

Hello Paul

I have enjoyed the Newsletter for quite some years now but circumstances change unfortunately. A couple of years ago my husband died, I am housebound with rheumatoid arthritis and my passport has run out this year. So, I think I'm right in saying I will not be travelling anymore.

I find now it just makes me miserable in reading newsletters where I will not be going again. I was getting Cyprus newsletter as well. So with regret that is why I'm cancelling.

Also I'm too old to travel on my own.

Regards

Carol D

**Ed:** - Hello Carol,

Thank you for the time and trouble to respond to my mail. It saddened me.

Of course I understand your reasons, who could not? On the bright side you are and will ever be part of our Agiot community, whether or not a subscriber. Take care.

# Opinion

**Please note that Opinions expressed here may or may not be shared by the Editor.**

**But that does not matter a jot.**

WHY IS NOBODY TALKING ABOUT THE LISBON TREATY, THE TREATY THAT COMES INTO FORCE 2020, ITS WORSE THAN THE SO-CALLED DEAL, IF 99% OF THE BRITISH THINK TERESA MAYS DEAL IS BAD, JUST LOOK AT THE LISBON TREATY. PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW, LEAVERS AND REMAIN

..“What will actually happen if we stay in the EU” is a question no Remainer will ever answer but here it is warts and all.

Check it out if you wish —>>

1: The UK along with all existing members of the EU lose their abstention veto in 2020 as laid down in the Lisbon Treaty when the system changes to that of majority acceptance with no abstentions or veto's being allowed.

2: All member nations will become states of the new federal nation of the EU by 2022 as clearly laid out in the Lisbon treaty with no exceptions or veto's.

3: All member states must adopt the Euro by 2022 and any new member state must do so within 2 years of joining the EU as laid down in the Lisbon treaty.

4: The London stock exchange will move to Frankfurt in 2020 and be integrated into the EU stock exchange resulting in a loss of 200,000 plus jobs in the UK because of the relocation. (This has already been pre-agreed and is only on a holding pattern due to the Brexit negotiations, which if Brexit does happen, the move is fully cancelled - but if not and the UK remains a member it's full steam ahead for the move.)

5: The EU Parliament and ECJ become supreme over all legislative bodies of the UK.

6: The UK will adopt 100% of whatever the EU Parliament and ECJ lays down without any means of abstention or veto, negating the need for the UK to have the Lords or even the Commons as we know it today.

7: The UK will NOT be able to make its own trade deals.

8: The UK will NOT be able to set its own trade tariffs.

9 The UK will NOT be able to set its own trade quotas.

10: The UK loses control of its fishing rights

11: The UK loses control of its oil and gas rights

12: The UK loses control of its borders and enters the Schengen region by 2022 - as clearly laid down in the Lisbon treaty

13: The UK loses control of its planning legislation

14: The UK loses control of its armed forces including its nuclear deterrent

15: The UK loses full control of its taxation policy

16: The UK loses the ability to create its own laws and to implement them

17: The UK loses its standing in the Commonwealths

18: The UK loses control of any provinces or affiliated nations e.g.: Falklands, Cayman Islands, Gibraltar etc.

19: The UK loses control of its judicial system

20: The UK loses control of its international policy

21: The UK loses full control of its national policy

22: The UK loses its right to call itself a nation in its own right.

23: The UK loses control of its space exploration program

24: The UK loses control of its Aviation and Sea lane jurisdiction

25: The UK loses its rebate in 2020 as laid down in the Lisbon treaty

26: The UK's contribution to the EU is set to increase by an average of 1.2bn pa and by 2.3bn pa by 2020.

This is the future that the youths of today think we stole from them?

They should be on their knees thanking us for saving them from being turned into Orwellian automatons!

Forget Deals no deals its time for Remainers and Brexiters to unite and see what's coming before it's too late. This is the whole reason they are dragging Brexit out. So, we can get to 2020 then we have no choices anymore.

**Contributed by Steve Dell**

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THE DEFINITION

Sur-veil-lance Cap-i-tal-ism, n.

1. A new economic order that claims human experience as free raw material for hidden commercial practices of extraction, prediction, and sales;
2. A parasitic economic logic in which the production of goods and services is subordinated to a new global architecture of behavioral modification;
3. A rogue mutation of capitalism marked by concentrations of wealth, knowledge, and power unprecedented in human history;
4. The foundational framework of a surveillance economy;
5. As significant a threat to human nature in the twenty-first century as industrial capitalism was to the natural world in the nineteenth and twentieth;
6. The origin of a new instrumentarian power that asserts dominance over society and presents startling challenges to market democracy;
7. A movement that aims to impose a new collective order based on total certainty;
8. An expropriation of critical human rights that is best understood as a coup from above: an overthrow of the people's sovereignty.

*With thanks from us, to Daniel Blom, for providing these opinions.*

**FLAT EARTH VOTERS**

**THIS YEAR  
ALL POLLING STATIONS  
ARE ON THE OTHER SIDE**

*Disarming Thoughts*

**OPTIMISM**

**THE ONLY -ISM  
THAT COULD LEAD TO  
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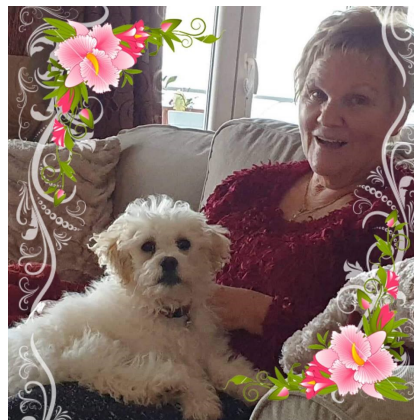
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The Way Things Are and Were

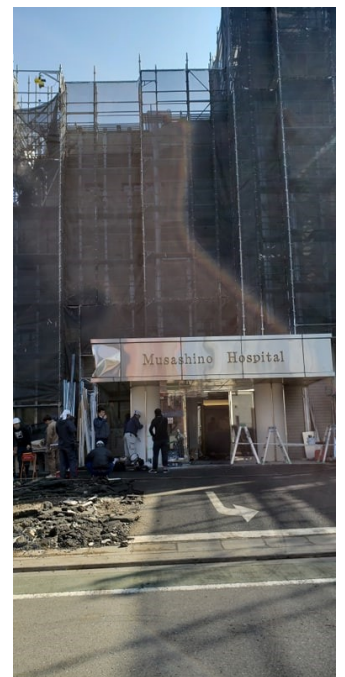


*Agiot contributor Dick Mulder relaxing with Mirjam*

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*Introducing Wilson, with Sally*



*Somewhere on a Tokyo building site*



*Agiotfest fan Florence practising with a member of her band*

# Village and Island Reflections

A full-on month and, that is not going to change for the rest of this year, I guess.

Bit of a drag on the medical front, the old knee has shown very little signs of recovery, despite a blitz of Mesulid tablets for many- too many- for the liver days. Unfortunately, it looks like a Specialist intervention may be the last option. But, at present, there is scant free time for such luxuries. The poor right leg was also under scrutiny by cousin Elena, who has provided a bridge to correct the growth of my naughty toenail. She came to check on it one day. It had disappeared.; the bridge, not the toe. She interrogated me. I did not want to split on my friend; Bono. So, I professed ignorance of the disappearance. In truth, Bono had decided one night to creep under the table, and nibble it off-through my sock!



*A work in progress*

There was a 40-day Memorial service on a Sunday, for Kostas's cousin Takis. It was a bright, sunny day and Woufa, Takis's widow, ensured the whole atmosphere was bright and breezy to match. The venue was the Sweet and Savory cafe on the Kontokali road.

A sad death this month was the leaving of Jo Parker, who will be known to many of you as the vibrant landlady of the Zanzibar for many a year, following her fight with Cancer. R.I.P.



*Jo with her daughter Natasha*

One sunny Sunday I had a break in the fine Spring sunshine, in our glorious village plateia. This is a place to sit and put the world to rights over a gentle beer. Here is one of our locals, Kostas, doing just that. Gordon McCabe, a much-loved Degenerate, will do a similar thing in May, when he returns to this spot after an absence of over a decade. I hope I may join him there for a blather.



*Kostas explains*



*Teo and Telis*

The Fest Camp has started to turn from a caterpillar into a butterfly. Work is underway there in the Spring sunshine. It is an exciting prospect to us that it will host this summer's Agiotfest at the end of August. There will be camping available as well as dormitories, at very basic prices.

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Forgive my indulgence but, on the 6th of March we had in our family a most glorious experience. Elina was delivered of a baby boy at Corfu Hospital, by Caesarian section. Her waters had broken, in any event, so this particular day was destined. The whole family on Corfu gaggled about the corridors, marvelling at the new life and congratulating the recovering Mother.



*1 hour old*



*Proud Dad*

By mid-day we were back at our in-laws' house, leaving Mum and baby to rest. Adrenaline was gone. I found myself fast asleep on their couch, barely having stepped into their lounge. Dear old lady Anna, was kind enough to cover me during my unconsciousness. This baby has no name yet. But Danae calls him George, so for me it has to be George too!



*The meaning of life*

This was a month for opening bank accounts-I can think of better shops to be in, though the ladies there are all very courteous. It was also a time to hand over a Fakilaki but, therein lies a tale far too long for this brief report. Catch me at the tables and I may spill.

It was a month for Skype calls to the Western Hemisphere and the Eastern hemisphere. The former sees a happy conclusion, with three young American sirens booked to travel 6000 miles to play in our village at Agiotfest. The Eastern communication is the umbilical to our son and daughter in Tokyo.

Had an early birthday present from my old friend in England; a brace of 'Racing Willies'. I shan't mention his name, in order to protect his reputation. Suffice to say that young Danae got hold of these wind-up wheeled novelties and was racing them on our kitchen table, with her Great Grandmother, who said; 'these are very unusual-shaped cars, what are they?' 'Er, space rockets,' seemed the only agreeable rejoinder. Danae is now measuring 1 metre and 4 centimetres, so has a good view of the table top!



*Jump for joy*

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*Village and Island Reflections - Continued from Page 40*

One afternoon the kitchen descended into a zoo. We were poring over some window designs with our friend Nikos. Greece happened. The whole troupe of little girls entered like a commando raid, followed and chased by their shepherdess, Nitsa. Like a very tornado they all spun off into the garden, as the garden-man burst in through another door demanding a rubbish sack. The look on Nikos's face was priceless. Nitsa divided her baby-chasing with organising the man and outstripping him on any labour.

There was another addition to our family at the end of the March; Peter bought a car! On the 29th, as this was occurring we were saying our goodbyes to Annoula, Elina's sister, who shortly leaves for a new life as a table manager in a London restaurant. This was a bitter-sweet parting.

St. Patrick's Day came and went and, a few of us were at the Two Brothers for an Irish revelry.

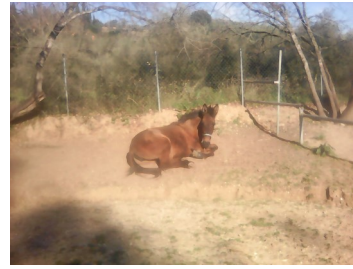


*Irish blood in the valley*

And, while all of this trivia was going down, the Brexit farce played out north of the alps.

I never again want to hear a whingeing Pom, criticising the inability of Greeks to organise. Compared with the Houses of Parliament, Greek organisation is quite outstanding.

## A Selection of Photos ....



*A big soft mule*



*A place to walk dogs*



*A pride of Greece*



*Northern realm*



*On a wall in Gouvia*



*Oooooohhh*



*Strange crop circles in the valley*



*They watch*



*Peroulades*

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