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THE CUBANS ARE COMING:

AN AGIOTFEST FIRST

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By The Minstrel

We are very pleased to announce that Perlas Del Caribe will be the first band from Cubato our knowledge-ever to play on a Corfu stage.

This 'transfer window' deal would have been impossible without the kind support and official invitation to Cuba from the CORFU MUNICIPALITY THEATRE.

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To: Mr. Cosmos,		Corfu 06-07-2017
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Cuba CP11300		
Dear Mr Cosmos		
Starting from this year,	Municipal and Region	al Theatre of Corfu is supporting the
		place on August 26 th 2017 in Corfu.
We would like to invite	the Cuban band know	n as Perlas del Caribe to take part in
Agiotfest and be in Corf	fu from August the 23	rd to August the 28 th for the needs of
the festival.		
The band members are		
Mijayl Martinez (percus		
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As you can see on the of	fficial invitation letter	of Agiotfest, responsible for all the
needs of the band and t	the costs of flights, ac	commodation etc are Spiridoula Halikia
[Legal Registrant under	Greek Law] and Paul	McGovern [Festival Organiser].
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AUGUST 26TH AGIOS IOANNIS CORFU GATES OPEN 7.30.P.M.

So, you can't afford to miss this one-it is not easy to get out of Cuba! [Visas are still in the pipe-line]!

GATES OPEN 7.30 P.M. REGARDLESS of weather.

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'George Gakis and the Troublemakers'

George won the crowd last year. This time round he is back with his own band the Troublemakers. Let's rock and roll.

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'A bar too far'

Start taking salsa lessons right now....



'The X-Lovers'

This is the second time George and the wonderful X-Lovers has graced our stage.



'7 Mile Limit about to take off'

Kostas Vlachos proudly presents this new and exciting Swing Band

Igor Enzendam will chill you out when you feel his sound.

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=FbAVsst3zK8</u>

A winter-song for the occasion. I play the Turkish Cumbus in an unorthodox way: i tuned it like a tampura and use it as a drone/ percussion accompaniment to my singing. It was bloody cold to play out there too, fashionably in the snow... (2008)

Un canzone d'inverno per l'occasione. Suono il Cumbus turco in un modo meno ortodosso: accordato come un tampura, lo uso come strumento di bordone/percussione per accompagnare il mio canto. (2008)

A huge thank you to all our Sponsors and volunteers, who year after year make this dream come true in our village.

A special thanks to Ken and Jan Harrop, who year after year go way beyond what should be expected of any friend or supporter.

A few of you will be receiving Junior Sponsor letters in the days leading up to the Fest. Thank you for your patience.

HAVE A GREAT PARTY.

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THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL - 2017

This year Remembrance Day falls on Saturday, 11 November and in a short while the Collection Boxes and a wide variety of Supplies will be available to everyone.

You will find boxes and supplies in many locations around the island: North; South; East; West and Central Corfu.

I understand the many financial difficulties we are still living with. Bearing this in mind I, once again, ask you; our regular and reliable supporters of The Royal British Legion, to donate what you can reasonably afford and I can assure you that every penny will be put to the best possible use.

If anyone would like to have their own Home Collection Box, or to help with the sale of supplies to the public, please don't hesitate to contact me on: **6975 833654**

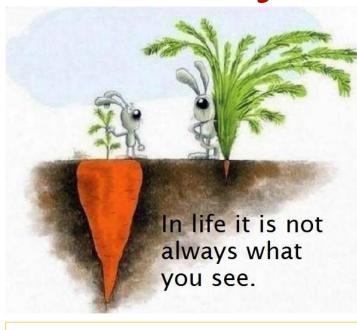
Let us not forget those who gave their all so we could be free and let's stand 'Shoulder-to-shoulder with all who serve'

Lucy STEELE, M.B.E. Poppy Appeal Honorary Organiser

NOTE: Poppy items will be available for purchase at the AgiotFest 2017 Music Festival, being held for the Ninth Year, on Saturday, 26 August at Ag. Ioannis. You will be able to support the Poppy Appeal and have a very enjoyable music 'Experience' at the same time.



Gooners Gags



Two old friends, Luigi and Mario were fishing in the Mediterranean sea when a World War II mine came floating along.

On seeing this spiky object coming nearer and nearer, Luigi shouts at his friend... "hey Mario it's a mine it's a mine",

Mario shouts back ... "ok Luigi you a can have it......"

I bought some Jamie Oliver Sausages' yesterday. On the packet it said 'Prick with a fork'. I thought, can't argue with that!

My sex life hardly exists anymore, so I've converted to Islam and changed my name to Seldom Bin Laid!

When cooking Alphabet Soup, don't leave it unattended, it could spell disaster.

I had a row with my wife last night, she threw a bottle of fabric-conditioner at me and it only just missed my head. It must have been Lenor because it was a bit too close for Comfort.

I love that new Korean vegetarian snack pot. Not Poodle.

My mate makes crockery disappear. I said are you a wizard? He said no I'm a saucerer. An elderly Italian man who lived on the outskirts of Rimini, Italy, went to the local church for confession in 1960.

When the priest slid open the panel in the confessional, the man said: "Father, during World War II, a beautiful Jewish woman from our neighborhood knocked urgently on my door and asked me to hide her from the Nazis. So, I hid her in my attic."

The priest replied: "That was a wonderful thing you did, and you have no need to confess that."

"There is more to tell, Father. She started to repay me with sexual favours. This happened several times a week, and sometimes twice on Sundays."

The priest said, "That was a long time ago and by doing what you did, you placed the two of you in great danger, but two people under those circumstances can easily succumb to the weakness of the flesh. However, if you are truly sorry for your actions, you are indeed forgiven."

"Thank you, Father. That is a great load off my mind. I do have one more question."

"And what is that?" asked the priest.

"Should I tell her the war is over?"

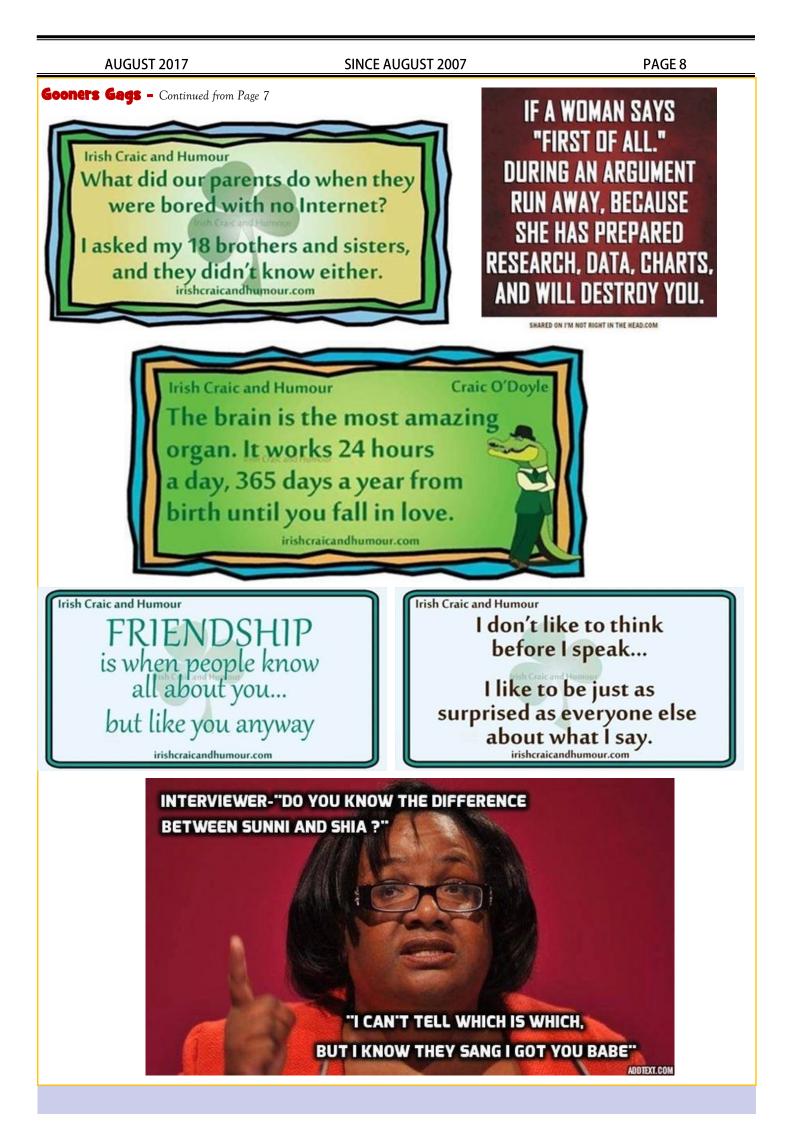
If sex with two people is called a twosome and sex involving three people is called a threesome, now I understand why they call me handsome!

Whoever stole my trainers whilst I was on the bouncy castle, just grow up!

Just bought an ABBA toilet; what a loo!

I've swapped our bed for a trampoline. My wife hit the roof!

Got a new Jack Russell pup today. He's mainly black and brown with just a small white area. I've called him Birmingham.



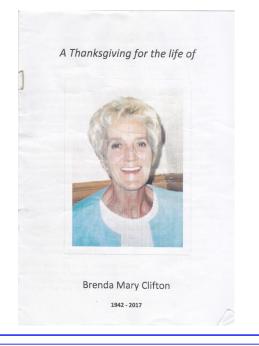
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Letters to the Editor

Editor's Comment:-

Apologies for the lateness of this month's Newsletter, held up for news of the Agiotfest. It is certainly later than any previous Edition and we hope that this state of play is not repeated in the future.

A sad parting on the 16th of July to Brenda Clifton, wife of Chas. After a long illness, she passed away peacefully at home at about six in the morning. The funeral was held at the Anglican church on Friday, 21st August, officiated by Mr. Scotland. She was laid to rest at the British Cemetery, attended by a host of family-most of whom had travelled from Englandand friends. The service in the church was informal and meaningful, with members of Brenda's family recalling incidents from her very full life. We will miss Brenda and our commiserations go to dear Chas and all of her family. R.I.P.



Dean Barsby wrote this little gem;

It's almost time to say good bye to friends old and new,

soon be time to hit the sky from grey to blue.... See you all in time to come, whenever that may be. Rolling through the seas so free, that's the way it's meant to be, just my trusty side kick and me.



Edel Connaughton from Dublin posted;



'Edel by the Irish sea'

Enjoyed this month's Agiot Newsletter. Great articles, pics and jokes! Thanks Paul and Lula xx

Ed:- Come back to the magic land soon Edel.

Emily Tickle sent this charmer;

'Greek meal for part of her birthday celebrations, at her request. Not as good as Anna's she said.'

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Ed: Emily becomes a little more Greek on each visit!



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Great, great news comes in from Brooke Stevens, who has appeared here before in the June Letters.

The man in these pictures is called Dr. Sarwar & he saved my life



Brooke post-op <

Brooke with Dr.Sarwar



GUESS WHO HAS JUST BEEN TOLD THAT THEY ARE OFFICIALLY CANCER FREE? [≅] Today is such an amazing day! I've been told that the results from my most recent surgery have come back none cancerous & my tumour marker has returned to normal.

This is all after 8 months of going through hell & back. I've had surgery, chemotherapy, stays in hospital, A&E trips & so many complications along the way... but here I am! Going through cancer (which I would never ever want to go through again!) has done a lot of positive for me personally, it has taught me a lot about life & made me a much happier & better person. My outlook on life has changed completely & I do feel that this is just my life beginning. I've been given a second chance & I don't plan on wasting it. I've been told that I need to rest to allow my body to recover & recuperate from the effects of the chemotherapy & the surgery.

I do honestly owe so much to the amazing medical teams that I have met along the way from Charing Cross Hospital, Queen Charlotte & Chelsea Hospital, the District nurses in Hockley, my oncologist Dr Sarwar, the oncology Nurses & everybody else that I've met in between. Thank you to my beautiful mum, Sylv, dad & family who have been by my side through all of my highs & lows. They've taken me to all of my hospital appointments, A&E trips & surgeries (this even included them having to sleep in the car at 3am!) They were there when I was being violently ill from the chemo & helped me in so, so many ways, I can never say thank you enough.

My lovely friends who have supported me & helped in every way that they could from flowers, cancer runs, presents, cards, calls, texts, visits & even surprise picnics. I'm so blessed to know you all. The outstanding friends that I have made along the way, we've experienced so much together, you're all so, so strong & I do know that I've made friends for life.

Thank you to everybody, I couldn't have been as strong as I was without you all by my side. Now to rest & just enjoy being alive.

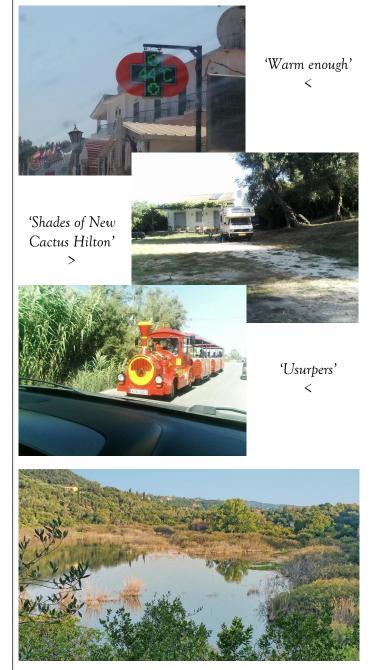
Goodbye cancer, hello eyebrows!



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Village and Island News

July was a hot one. Very hot. And it started straight at the start of the month in Corfu.



'The lake in our village by Dick Mulder'

My grand-daughter has the peculiar charm of referring to herself in the third person. That sounds like a plan, so Paul will give it a go here.

The month was a fusion of work, long swims in the tepid pool known as the Egg, convivial meetings with friends, steaming barbecues, torrid negotiations to bring over musical Cubans to our shores, a houseguest from Tokyo, medical niggles, trips to the Metropolis, two weddings, a Christening and a funeral.

'If you can fill the unforgiving minute With sixty seconds' worth of distance run, Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it'

That is exactly how it seems sometimes in a Corfu summer. Sometimes you just want to summer dream. Paul can stay in the pool for long periods, and he's not the only one seeking refuge from the solid, summer heat.

Friends dip in from time to time, the family of course, the children of Albanian neighbours, and our dogs hot on the trail of Danae's plastic fleet of ducks.



Lake Inferior has its bathers too. One is unwelcome, a Great Diving Water Beetle [Dytiscus Marginalis] to you Swats, quite capable of killing small fish. Its larva is no slouch either. No reported fatalities to date.

Pegy Anylitis got married at the Holy Chapel Ipapantis to Konstantinos. The perfect setting, not only for the wedding but also the Christening of their first child. The heat fried the guests as they trudged to and thro along the open causeway. The reception was at the Golf Club, familiar to us from Peter and Elina's marriage the year before.

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Later in the month Maria Tsiotis married her Beau Demitris at the church of the Virgin Mary of Foreigners, where invited guests mingled easily with the passing tourists. It was but a short walk across the Liston to the Toulaou Garden for the reception, held among the stately trees. No fireworks at this Reception, but there was other magic in the skies.



Attending such events is akin to a second mortgage, but when in Rome...

Talking of which, that is where Kostas and Ai slipped off to for a couple of days. We had the less heady streets of Corfu. Actually, Paul prefers Corfu to Rome. Perhaps it's an age thing. There are always tasks to attend to in the City, and sometimes Paul repairs to his office there. How civilised to have a meze and a half carafe of wine while working away in a quiet corner of the Two Brothers' Taverna, served by Evi.





'Business Chef' >



'Smartest car park in town' >



'Quiet Sunday morn

Paul Ruck'

<

'a Corfu widow. if my information is right she herself has died too...Dick Mulder'

And so into August to see what histories the hand of fate will deliver.

How the 'Church' of Scientology nearly took over Corfu- Part II

By Hilary Paipeti

The information contained in this article was sourced mainly from the book 'The Commodore and the Colonels' by John Forte. It was first published in The Corfiot Magazine in May 2006.

Last month we saw how Hubbard and his Scientologists arrived at Corfu in August 1968 on the ship Apollo, soon inveigling themselves into local society. But not everyone was won over...



John Forte <

Corfu's British Consul John Forte had from an early stage been 'besieged by British, Greek and other foreign callers to the Consulate bitterly complaining about the harbouring of the scientologists on the island.' Those who had not fallen for (Scientology leader) Hubbard's charm were distressed by the practice of throwing reprobate students, many very young, over the side of the ship in the early hours of the morning. Journalist Costas Daphnis, editor of the local Telegraph, had been writing hostile articles from the start. Alexander Mitchell of the Sunday Times - a dedicated scientology-watcher - made front page news in November 1968 with an exposé of their Corfu exploits.

This article prompted an inspection visit from the Colonels' security team, which found them 'harmless'; and a solicitor's letter to the Sunday Times accusing the paper of defamation.

Meanwhile, Vice-Consul John Forte was instructing 'protesting British and other foreign tourists (whose ranks had swollen since the Sunday Times article) that they should address the complaints to the Secretary General of the National Tourist Organization in Athens. 'To the Corfiots I explained that the establishment of the Church of Scientology in Corfu was a matter for the Bishop and the Ministry of Religious Affairs.' This was to play a major role in the downfall of Hubbard.

'On the official side,' Forte noted, 'friction was building up between the security police and the harbour authorities who were offering the scientologists such irregular privileges regarding their freedom of movement.' Then two young Americans disappeared. William Deitch, one of the world's leading scientologists, checked out of the Cavalieri hotel on the morning of 9 December after a week-end shore leave and never reappeared. John Forte continues the story:

'His disappearance greatly upset a fellow American, 30year old Pearl O'Krackel, one of his chief disciples, who had recently been appointed head cook on the Apollo. She became greatly disillusioned and defected to live with a young Greek electrician, Sosipatras Mourikis, aged 24.

Her conduct started off a chain reaction of discontent and all weekend shore leave was stopped and those whom the electronic E-meters did not register as CLEAN were severely disciplined.

'After successfully evading pursuit by Hubbard's police in an exciting car chase, the eloping couple spent a 'honeymoon' at a small villa at Perama, 7 kilometers south of the town. During their 'honeymoon', Pearl O'Krackel explained some of the scientologists' practices. She explained how her mind was cleared... and how thoughts could be read.

She alleged that her punishment if arrested and escorted back to the ship would be 20 days in a dark cell in the bowels of the ship with only bread and water. She confirmed the punishment of being thrown overboard into the icy seas in the early hours of the morning blindfolded.' Ten days after her defection, O'Krackel, having survived several bully-boy attempts to get her back on ship, was on a plane for her home in Las Vegas via Athens. She never arrived.

Forte completes the tale: 'About a month later she turned up at the US Embassy of her own free will, angrily demanding what all the fuss was about and stating that she had always been a devoted scientologist who had never left the movement or asked for asylum. Hubbard's police had certainly done an efficient job on her. Another case was that of 50-year old New Zealander Grace Hill. She made friends with the manager of the Cavalieri Hotel, where privileged scientologists were allowed to stay, and wrote to him about her disillusion with the church and her plans to abscond. Her friend replied, but unfortunately entrusted the letter to one of the scientologists. Grace Hill was never seen ashore again. The case that hit headlines concerned two Belfast maintenance fitters, Colin Craig and Jack Russell. Over to Forte: 'On the afternoon of 11 March I received an urgent phone call at my home from a highly nervous and agitated Irishman whose story was that he and his mate had answered an advertisement in the Belfast Telegraph for qualified maintenance fitters for the SS Apollo. 'They were met at Corfu airport and on arrival on board they were told they would work under the Chief Engineer, a brilliant technician who turned out to be a youth of 15. When he discovered what sort of ship it was, Craig locked himself in his cabin feigning sickness. Here he remained for two days without food (which he proclaimed uneatable) whilst his mate was becoming slowly but surely converted to scientology and would burst into the cabin shrieking, 'I'm clear'; he appeared to Craig to be getting more and more insane as his course of pills and E -meter treatment progressed.

'Eventually Craig managed to persuade the confused Russell to go ashore against his will. After escaping from the ship with a certain amount of difficulty, the Irishmen met up with some of the visiting U.S. 6th Fleet in a nearby cafe. On learning their story the sailors, in the words of Craig, 'blew their top' and insisted that they phone me immediately, and fortunately they got through to me at my home in the country. I ordered them to go direct to the Hotel Suisse and to stay there until I called for them in the morning, and to be careful to keep their doors locked and to have their meals in their room.

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'After making the necessary arrangements with the hotel, I contacted the Aliens Police who were delighted to cooperate and posted an all night guard in the hotel lobby in case the Harbourmaster or the scientologists should try and inveigle them back to the ship. Sure enough, Hubbard's police soon tracked them down only to be confronted by an armed police guard.

When I called at the Hotel Suisse in the morning, I found a highly excitable Craig and a most neurotic Russell, who were later repatriated to the U.K. but not before they had made a statement to the police, which was quickly relayed to Athens where it was received with delight by the Security Police as this was the first unbiased and unsolicited evidence they had as yet obtained. Russell's story made the front page news in the Belfast Sunday News with the headline:

Belfastman tells of his escape from horror ship.'

But in parallel concern was mounting amongst what Forte calls 'Hubbard's select committee of Corfiots charged with the aggrandisement of El Ron's image in the eyes of the Colonels' (mostly the very business people who were so benefitting from the church's spending power), and on 20 January 1969 they sent a telegram to the Prime Minister and Deputy Minister in Athens complaining that 'various persons entirely foreign to Corfu are trying to persuade the Government to cancel the permit given to the vessel to remain without giving any specific reasons against the school... This school possessing serious capital and an extensive net of branches abroad plans to get established in Corfu permanently and Corfu tourism would profit greatly.'

Assurances that there was no objection to the Apollo remaining in port came not from the Colonels but on their behalf from Yannis Lagonikas, Secretary-General of the Ministry of Mercantile Marine, and an old friend of Hubbard's lackey Harbourmaster.

But as Forte points out, this 'did not provide for a shorebased establishment in what was now being regarded by the scientologists as their promised land and neither did it express the views of the Prime Minister or his deputy to whom the telegram was jointly addressed.'

At this point Hubbard took the bull by the horns; he issued a preemptive headline story in his tame local paper Ephimeris ton Idisseon, unilaterally announcing that the Greek Government had approved his University. In addition, he circulated pamphlets encouraging students to register - thus defying the Greek laws relating to the establishment of foreign schools and religions - and promising prospective students a pink ticket to paradise in consideration of the sum of \$2,850 only.

The Greek response to coercion is predictable, and Deputy Premier Patakos emphasized that no permission had yet been granted to the scientologists to become established on Greek soil and that both the United States and Great Britain would like them to leave Greece. Whereupon Hubbard riposted with an announcement that his Scientology School would start operating within 2-3 weeks, and that many students had already turned up. The final nail was a six-day show of 'gunboat diplomacy' by the US 6th fleet (whose members saved the Irish engineers Craig and Russell). Forte describes it as 'a carefully planned operation designed to bring forcibly home to the authorities the grave danger of contamination by this undesirable cult. If this was the aim of the exercise, then it was certainly one hundred per cent successful.'

Hubbard only released one more, increasingly desperate, press statement, claiming that students were flocking to the School, which would make Corfu 'surge economically and spiritually.'

Forte reports on the end of the tale:

The scientology saga finally came to an abrupt and dramatic end in the early hours of the morning of 19th March when Commodore Hubbard sailed from Corfu in his flagship Apollo, four and a half hours late after being given 24 hours notice by the Nomarch of Corfu to leave these shores.

'Watching the dramatic departure from the water front, I found myself standing next to S., the island's most prolific and eligible stag, a veritable 'Superman' in his own right. Commiserating with him on the depletion of his stud, he confided, 'as a matter of fact I'm not sorry they're gone. When it comes to the point they all tell you they are only allowed to have sexual relations with fellow scientologists.'

Here was, indeed, an intriguing aspect of the Philosophy of the Church.

'As the ship sailed, El Ron, like an earlier Messiah, wept and all his flock and his Corfiot disciples and followers joined him in his tears.

'Thus ended a battle whose fortunes had been swaying dramatically to and fro for seven months and in which Hubbard, who seemed at one time to be the conquering hero, was ultimately vanquished.'

But Hubbard had to have the final word. His PR team announced that the scientologists were abandoning Greece 'due to unforeseen foreign exchange trouble and the unstable Middle Eastern situation' and also issued a press release that contradicted this claim:

¹Mr. Hubbard had been in Greece establishing a Greek Corporation to teach philosophy. False information about Hubbard was fed to the Greeks by a third party and they asked him to leave.

'Mr. Hubbard protested in a personal letter to the Deputy Prime Minister of Greece, Mr. Patakos.

When the Deputy Prime Minister learnt how he had been misled by lies and false reports made about Hubbard he was extremely annoyed and sent the following message: My personal apologies to Mr. Hubbard for any unhappiness and upset caused and when you return I

hope you will stay longer. 'Mr. Hubbard accepted the apology and the Prime

Minister on learning this expressed his pleasure and immediately ordered all the papers concerning Mr. Hubbard's Corporation be sent to him personally so that he might get the matter corrected.'

What were Hubbard's plans for Corfu? His Manifesto promised the conversion of the Old and New Fortresses into hotels, casino, and recreation grounds; the construction of seven yacht marinas, a new harbour in the north, three golf courses, and new schools and hotels; the development of Lazaretto Islet with hotel; and many new factories (including car assembly, aircraft spare parts and agricultural machinery).

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The second part of the Manifesto dealt with the matter of the University:

Once upon a time Corfu had her own university. This was taken from her at a time of great centralization and since this university functions today elsewhere, there are no hopes it will return here.

'But there is no need to request for its return. 'The only thing that is needed is to establish a new university in Corfu.'

That is, a University dedicated to Scientology.

Tucked away at the end was a so-called 'Supplementary Arrangement'

that may well have been the main point of the whole exercise:

'We shall make efforts to have the local Royal Palace given as a gift for this worthy target.'

Today, Corfu's university has been re-established, and many of the infrastructure works that Hubbard promised have been constructed without his help. Maybe if Hubbard had got his way, Corfu would have gained them sooner... And maybe Tom Cruise would be taking his holidays here in Corfu...



'Overboard' <

'Explanatory note: Two members of the Sea Org hoist an unfortunate Scientologist overboard. This photo, taken by Hubbard himself, was published in The Auditor, issue 41, 1968. The editor thought it was a little joke on Hubbard's part; hence, the tongue-in-cheek caption. Of course, it was anything but a joke, and the unfortunate editor was himself sent to the RPF when Hubbard read the article. @pgplate (292)'

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Villa Theodora



Villa Aphrodite

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Nick The Clock's World (The Comic With A conscience)

Paddy is doing really well on Who Want's to be a Millionaire.He's got £125,000 with three lifelines left.

Chris says, "Ok Paddy, for £250,000 which one of the following was one of the Great Train Robbers? Was it A) Ronnie Biggs B) Ronnie O'Sullivan C) Ronnie Corbett D) Ronnie Wood. Take your time."

Paddy says, "I'll take the money Chris." Chris replies, "Are you sure Paddy, you've still got three lifelines left?"

Paddy says, "I'm sure Chris, I'll take the money." Chris replies, "Ok audience, give Paddy a big round of applause, but before you go Paddy I'm sure you'd like to know the answer?"

Paddy says,"I already know the answer Chris." Chris replies,"You know the answer? You just turned down a quarter of a Million quid, are you mad, are you mental?"

Paddy says,"I may be fucking Mental Chris,but I'm no fucking grass!"

Population Agenda <u>http://</u> <u>www.wakingtimes.com/2016/10/19/</u> <u>hidden-plain-sight-global-depopulationagenda/</u>





Police: Knock knock. Me: Who's there? Police: It's the police. Me: What do you want? Police: We just want to talk. Me: How many of you are there? Police: Two. Me: Then talk to each other.

Paddy orders a pizza...

"Would you like it cut into 6 or 8 slices?" asked the cashier.

"6, Paddy says, I couldn't eat 8 slices" You're not going to master the rest of your life in one day. Just relax. Master the day. Then just keep doing that every day.

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wake up world

WILL IT BE EASY? Nope. Worth It? Absolutely.

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Nick The Clock's World



A lassie phones her da after a night in the pub and says:

"Can you come and pick me up? I've missed the last bus and it's pishing doon wi rain."

"Aye, I suppose so", says her dad. "Where are ye ringing fae?"

She replies: "From the top of ma heid right doon tae ma knickers"

THE SIGN OF A GOOD DOCTOR SHOULD BE HOW MANY PATIENTS HE CAN GET OFF MEDICATIONS, NOT HOW MANY PEOPLE HE PUTS ON MEDICATIONS.

Natural News







It's amazing what a woman will give up and the amount of shit she will take in order to save the people she loves, without a thought for herself. The heart of a woman while tough is amazingly the most loving thing you will ever encounter!

I like messy people. People who don't fit in a box or stay between the lines, but whose integrity is greater than any rule book and whose loyalty is stronger than blood.

> Love Wide Open the art of holding heart space

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Firefighters in Corfu



'Fire so dangerous in heatwave'

This complaint was put most strongly by Firefighters, who were mobbed by gypsies, while trying to put a fire out in the valley. The language is unedited and the piece was contributed by Dianne Rayment. 'The Firefighters denounce what happened in Livadi Ropa on July 14, 2017. A notice issued and a letter to the relevant Firefighters denouncing as made in Ropa Meadow. Here's the letter: "Following the above our document concerned, unfortunately we have to come back after the recent events that occurred in the performance of our duties as Fire officials in extinguishing forest fire in Livadi Ropa in camp Gypsies July 2017. We express strong our dissatisfaction, our sadness, our absolute indignation, because while performing our duties in full face vulgar insults - challenges, jeering, attacks and abduction personal equipment and personal belongings of colleagues through the fire engines, in terms of Gypsies when, paradoxically, we invite us to save the lives and property. As they could these events have had a bad ending and "easily-meaning omitted 'if the fellow had not demonstrated tremendous patience and understanding.

So we emphasize with what possible terms, that: "Citizens who commit offenses and behaviors repeatedly, should be accountable to the competent authorities of the State".

We clarify to everyone that our service provides to the business plan, increased readiness for this area, so the response time to grow to deal of extraneous events, especially in the more remote areas of the island !!!. Let us consider the state what are the reasons that lead a citizens' minority of the island, to humiliate the personality and work of firefighters who several times beyond human limits.

In any case and we understand that the Roma are human beings and children of the same God and not an inferior, who should live in humane conditions and not marginalized. Obligation of the State is to integrate them in society and in the long term to bring about the integration, in order to eliminate the delinquent behavior. We from our side we have to say to everyone that will exhaust us every right to protect the life and physical integrity of our colleagues and that our response will be immediate and very dynamic and always in legally.

Because as saying our people many words are poverty, solutions exist and have been implemented in the past and have yielded.

Obligation of the State is to safeguard the smooth working of Fire Officers and because of all the above, we believe it is highly imperative to further strengthen the police forces are required and assist in securing our Fire project.

We reserve for all our legal right and we are making it responsible for any omissions on the physical integrity and lives of our colleagues.

The denunciation shall be notified: To: Deputy Minister of Citizen Protection. General Secretary of Civil Protection. Public Prosecutor Corfu. PS Leader Chief of Police PE.PY.D. Ionian Islands & DI.PY.N. Corfu. Regional Director Police Ionian islands. Members Syriza N. Corfu. Region of Ionian Islands. Antiperifereia Ionian Islands - Civil Protection Department. Mayor Corfu - Civil Protection Officer. Notification: P.O.E.Y.P.S. Media Members of our Union. Association Fireman Rescue Fire N. Corfu. See you again at last you

enter solution, give solution today !!!!!!

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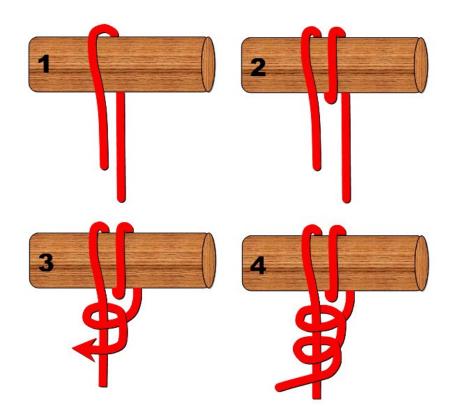
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Tickle Ties the knot

The second in a series of educational articles instructing in the correct tying of knots and their uses. This month we look at the round turn and two half hitches, a really practical useful for Sailors, Gardeners, Backwoodmanship plus many more..

The Round Turn and Two half hitches



Round Turn tying instructions

. Pass the end around the post twice. This takes the strain while you tie the knot. Go around the standing end to make the first Half Hitch. Pull this tight. Continue around in the same direction to make the second Half Hitch. Pull tight to complete the knot

What is a Round turn used for:

The **round turn and two half hitches** is a **hitch** used to secure the end of a rope to a fixed object. The name refers to the components used to form the knot: a **round turn** wraps the rope around the object (completely encircling it) and the **two half hitches** secure the end around the standing part.

Hilary's Ramblings Contributed by Hilary Paipeti

It's August and the Silly Season has begun. So this month, let's have a silly article...

Daft Holiday Complaints

"My fiancé and I booked a twin-bedded room but we were placed in a double-bedded room. We now hold you responsible for the fact that I find myself pregnant. This would not have happened if you had put us in the room that we booked."

Asked by a tourist at the Mesa Verde National Park: "Do you know of any undiscovered ruins?"

"I compared the size of our one-bedroom apartment to our friends'

three-bedroom apartment and ours was significantly smaller." "The brochure stated: 'No hairdressers at the

accommodation'. We're trainee hairdressers - will we be OK staying here?"

"There are too many Spanish people. The receptionist speaks Spanish.

The food is Spanish. Too many foreigners."

"We found the sand was not like the sand in the brochure. Your brochure shows the sand as yellow, but it was white." A woman threatened to call police after claiming that she'd been locked in by staff. When in fact, she had mistaken the 'do not disturb' sign on the back of the door as a warning to remain in the room.

A tourist at a top African game lodge overlooking a waterhole, who spotted a visibly aroused elephant, complained that the sight of this rampant beast ruined his honeymoon by making him feel 'inadequate'.

A guest at a Novotel in Australia complained his soup was too thick and strong. He was inadvertently slurping the gravy at the time.

"Topless sunbathing on the beach should be banned. The holiday was ruined as my husband spent all day looking at other women."

"We bought 'Ray-Ban' sunglasses for five euros from a street trader, only to find out they were fake."

"No-one told us there would be fish in the sea. The children were startled."

"It took us nine hours to fly home from Jamaica to England, but it only took the Americans staying in our hotel three hours to get home."

"It is your duty as a tour operator to advise us of noisy or unruly guests before we travel."

"I was bitten by a mosquito - no-one said they could bite." "I think it should be explained in the brochure that the local

store does not sell proper biscuits like custard creams or ginger nuts."

"It's lazy of the local shopkeepers to close in the afternoons. I often needed to buy things during 'siesta' time - this should be banned."

"On my holiday to Goa in India, I was disgusted to find that almost every restaurant served curry. I don't like spicy food at all." "We booked an excursion to a water park but no-one told us we had to bring our swimming costumes and towels." "The beach was too sandy."

Dumb Tourist Questions

"Are there any lakes in the Lake District?"

"In what month is the May Day demonstration?"

"What is the entry fee for Brighton?"

"Why on earth did they build Windsor Castle on the flight path of Heathrow?"

"Is Wales closed during the winter?"

"Which bus do I get from the Orkney Islands to the Shetland Islands?"

"Can you tell me who performs at the circus in Piccadilly?" Asked by a tourist at Whitby Abbey, North Yorkshire: "Why did they build so many ruined castles and abbeys in England?" "Is Edinburgh in Glasgow?"

"Which direction is North in Australia?"

Asked by a tourist at the Carlsbad Caverns National Park: "How much of the caves is underground?"

Asked by a tourist at the Mesa Verde National Park: "Do you know of any undiscovered ruins?"

And my own direct

experiences...

"Which side of the road do we stand on to wait for the bus?" 'Isn't Pelekas the place where the sun actually sets?" Comment by a young Corfiot during a first-time visit to Venice: "Aren't the Venetians lucky to have architecture just like we have in Corfu!"

Questions from an American visiting Corfu's Historic Centre: "Why do they have all these twisty alleyways? Why can't they just bulldoze a straight road right through?"

Every single member of a 50-strong botany group from Australia, on holiday in Corfu, addressing their local guide (me): "What sort of house do you live in? Has it got hot and cold running water?"

Infantile Language

There's a delightful youtube clip doing the rounds at present showing a white retriever, er, retrieving a drowning fawn from a lake. But the creature's described as a 'baby deer'. What, I ask, is the matter with the correct English word for a young deer? FAWN! What next? Baby dogs (puppies)?

Baby cows (calves)? Baby tigers (cubs)? We learnt this stuff at aged five.

What is it with the current generation that they have to be so infantile?

And, as George Orwell noted, when you remove words from the language, you destroy the capacity to think.

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I wonder how many present visitors are fascinated as I am by the history of Corfu, in particular the history of the British connection

with the Ionian Islands. These two men, of

played an influential

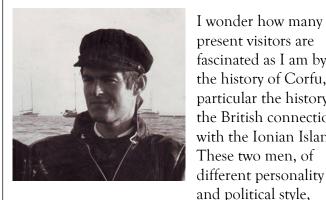
part in the 19th century

And finally... Don't try this at home!!!

Vespa-type bike photographed at a friend's farm near Vatos: How to turn a Scoot into a Yute. Affix large plastic crate to the rear rack.

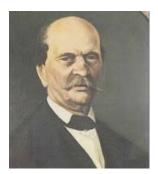
Tie at least two large bags onto each handlebar (for balance). Cage containing live rabbits in the footwell. Hmmm. There's still room for more... how about we put a large baking tray containing stuffed vegetables on top of the rabbits' cage? Grip in place with inner calves. Off we go...

Simon's World



'Me at the tiller in the Lymington River in 1963'

history of the Ionian Islands - one from Cephalonia, one from Zakinthos. They started as allies - both regarded as radicals, both regarded as a thorn in the side of the ruling classes the British and their allies among the Ionian upper classes - but became opposed to one another in the years leading up to the end of the British Protectorate in 1864. Both wanted the Protectorate to end, but one of them, Constantinos Lombardos, led a long campaign for enosis with mother Greece, while the other, Ilias Zervos, wanted to bring about an independent Septinsular Republic of seven islands independent of Great Britain but also of the new Kingdom of Greece, whose government Zervos regarded as too easily manipulated to their own ends by the great European powers. Familiar echoes? Lombardos' cause was aided after the British arrested and exiled Zervos to Kythira, southernmost of the Ionian Islands.





Ilias Zervos

Constantinos Lombardos

Zervos was of the belief that some British politicians had an 'agenda'. They wanted to exit the very expensive administrative responsibilities of the Protectorate. They liked the idea of union with Greece, as they had long experience of manipulative diplomacy in the corridors of Athens. The Ionian islands were altogether too full of very bright enthusiastic radicals, unwilling to play the game of divide and conquer or enter the corrupting world of bribery that the British - like all great powers - used to such effect in their spheres of influence. Ilias Zervos came to oppose Constantinos Lombardos, arguing that with 'enosis', Athens had, instead of 'freedom', given Corfu and her sister islands - to quote him: "...the pollutant of political corruption, which has brought this miserable nation to its present deterioration and produced as many unscrupulous exploiters as a decaying corpse produces worms.' Phew! (reference: The scholar Eleni Calligas on p.301 of her thesis, quoting from Elia Zervos' autobiography Βιογραθία Ηλία Ζερβού Ιαγωβάτου Συντεθείσα παρ αυτού (1880) edited by Ch. S. Theodoratos, Athens 1974)

Ed:-If this piece interests you follow Simon's link below. http://democracvstreet.blogspot.gr/2015/08/born-in-debt.html

Aunty Lula's Love-bites

<u>Mojito</u>

Preparation time: less than 30 mins No cooking required Serves 1 Dietary: <u>Vegetarian</u>

Irresistibly fresh and punchy, this authentic mojito cocktail recipe is a one-way salsa dance to the Caribbean.

Ingredients

1½ limes, cut into wedges
20 fresh mint leaves
2½ tsp granulated sugar handful ice
65ml/2½fl oz white rum splash soda water, to taste fresh mint sprig, to garnish

The Way Things Were

Piki says; 'How many remember the Cactus Hilton shower room??? Really nice these days but probably still smells of eggs.'



GO:

1. Place the limes, mint and sugar into a sturdy highball glass and 'muddle' or mash with the end of a clean rolling pin, to bruise the mint and release the lime juice.

2. Add the ice and pour over the rum.

3. Add soda water to taste and stir well. Garnish with a mint sprig and serve.



It's Mojito time!

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Comments

Robert Bennett Ikmf My Beautiful Laundrette! 🦻

Alex Porteous When costa run uit of beer

Lennart Björklund Very nice smell for the evening adventures <u>Maureen Flaherty</u> Too many wasps to be really comfortable... Lennart Björklund And snakes <u>Richard Collier</u> And Antonio pissed off with people???? putting more and more shampoo on his hair hehehe John Francis Lundy Yes remember that well [€]:-) <u>Brian Hagan</u> So do I !!! [€] [©] x. Linky Macstardy Guilty...!..T. hee hee, [€] <u>Patricia Stach</u> My first night in Korfu was in Cactus Hilton John Francis Lundy Don't remember the concrete around it though!!

Paul McGovern It used to be Freddie Two Tents. Now it is Anna Five Sinks. Not much changes.



Believe it or not there are two Spotted Fritillaries and two Small Coppers on this 1 ft high Thistle

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Is it just me or do others get slightly bored when you continually see the same species? I know that John and I expressed a little frustration earlier in the year when all we seemed to see were Meadow Browns. Today proved to me that it is worth sticking with it!

Indeed, I started out seeing nothing but Sage Skippers. They have been very prolific and today there were hordes of them! I moved down onto our land to check amongst the wild plants. What am I saying, they are weeds!

There were lots of Skippers. Then I saw something move on a thistle type plant. (Perhaps someone can identify the plant). My eye had caught a Small Copper (Hellenic Form, if Dan's teachings have worked!)

Said Copper was joined by a couple of Spotted Fritillaries, then another Small Copper and of course, A Sage Skipper. I had all five on this1foot high Thistle at one time. I managed to capture 4 out of 5. I was quite pleased!

Courtesy of Bob Giles



Sage Skippers <

Spotted Fritillaries – at Loutses. >



Nature

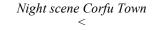


Great Diving Beetle at Lake Inferior



Katakalou Bert Rossum









The endangered and rare Short-beaked Common Dolphins between Paxos and Corfu yesterday. In the second picture in the water you can see and a baby



Simon Le Gallez cleopatra in Episkepsi



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Bespoke Property



He had always wanted to be in Bath

Video Corner

Love this Irish Hotel Response https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/ShowUserReviews-g214506d625953-r498365405-Hotel Doolin-Doolin The Burren

Clutter https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_NXZ3MEo1oM

Royal Progress <u>http://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-4752764/Prince-</u> <u>Charles-Camilla-Greek-tycoon-s-superyacht.html</u>

Beware Boats http://www.keeptalkinggreece.com/2017/07/31/swiss-touristscorfu/

Ed:- I was at this innocent-looking spot two days after this incident, with a friend, at the Nausica Restaurant. The poor tourists enjoying the beauty here were hauled rudely to harsh reality by the gruesome sight of the poor man's mutilated body being drawn up the beach.



Villa Daphne emerges in the valley

Women, know your limits https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=peter%20mcg

Sea Lion trainers in Hot Water https://www.pfpo.gr/katangelia-tis-pfpo-gia-paranomo-showthalassious-leontes-sti-kerkyra/

They should have made a trunk call. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qYHcMc748Uc

Corfu Town-17 things to do https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YjNav8_J5w4

Manu Chao https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bnaTLcFpQnE

Synchronicity again. Here is Richard Littlejohn in the Mail:

We used to live in a free country, where everything was permitted unless specifically prohibited by statute. Over the past 20 years, we have morphed into a virtual dictatorship, in which nothing – up to and including genuine free speech – is permitted unless it is licensed, policed and sanctioned by the State. http://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-4748266/RICHARD _LITTLEJOHN-Britain-s-punishment-culture.html

Corfu Weather Statistics JUNE 2017

http://www.wunderground.com/history/airport/LGKR/2013/9/1/ <u>MonthlyHistory.html?</u> req_city=NA&req_state=NA&req_statename=NA#PFq1VRYHlbugcT Gf.99

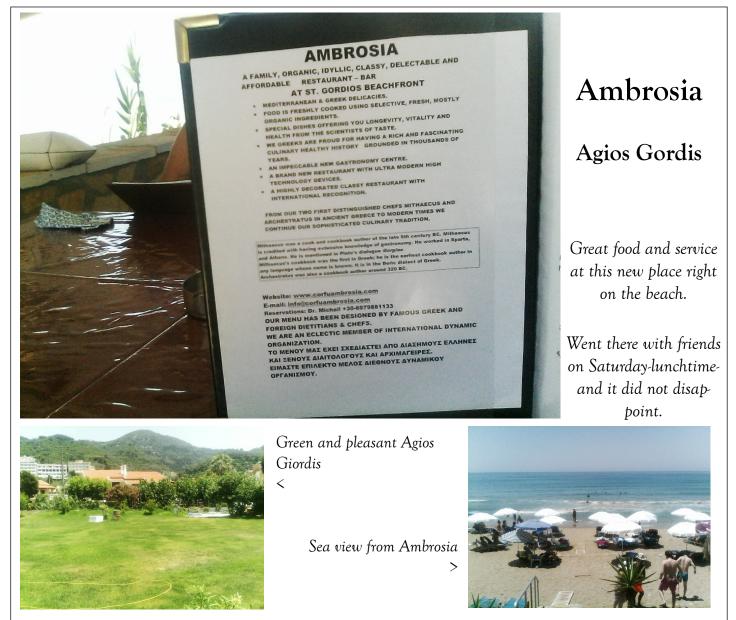
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Max Temperature	38°C	33 °C	28 °C
Mean Temperature	30 °C	27°C	25°C
Min Temperature	24 °C	21°C	18°C
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Cooling Degree Days (base 65)	20	16	12
Growing Degree Days (base 50)	36	21	27
Dew Point	25°C	18°C	10°C
Precipitation	0.0 mm	0.0 mm	0.0 mm
Wind			
Wind	42 km/h	7 km/h	0 km/h
Gust Wind	-		
Sea Level Pressure	108 hPa	1011 hPa	1004 hPa



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Apostolos Patounis, 9, Ioannou Theotoki Street, Corfu 49100, Greece tel.: +30 2661039806 fax: +30 2661030704 e-mail: info@patounis.gr

Traditional Olive Soap

Throughout modern history soap has been a necessity in developed societies, as the primary means of hygiene and cleanliness. It also found application in medicine and pharmacology for its healing and antiseptic properties. Though things have changed, traditional soap still has the benefit of having passed the test of time: It has offered its services for many successive generations, improving the quality of life while being environmentally friendly throughout production and use. Furthermore pure soap is considered the most thorough skin cleanser since it unblocks the skin's pores by effectively removing dirt, oily substances and dead cells.

The "PATOUNIS Soap Works" with a history of over 150 years, still make handcrafted soap by traditional methods from locally produced olive products. The Corfu plant built in 1891, preserved with its functioning tools and equipment, constitutes a living memory of a splendid old local tradition.

The following soaps are made here:

• **Olive Oil Soap** is made totally of pure virgin olive oil. It has limited lathering capacity but is distinguished for its mild action on sensitive skin.

• **The Green Olive Soap** is made of olive pomace oil which contains the olive chlorophyll, is acclaimed for its disinfecting properties and wide range of applications (also good for hair and scalp, provided you use it with soft water).

• **Olive-Palm Soap** is made of 80% pure virgin olive oil and 20% edible palm kernel oil thus a mild soap with rich smooth lather.

The above soaps are made using only the basic raw material of traditional soap manufacture, i.e. naturally occurring oils, soda, sea salt and water.



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The Spring of '65 Awaiting the Royal Birth

From Corfu News, July 1965

In July 1965, the Greek Royal Family were in residence at Mon Repos in Corfu while the Queen awaited the birth of her first child.

The Royal Birth is anxiously awaited by all Greece, but in particular by a large group of foreign journalists and photographers who have been on the island since the middle of June and wait day by day and hour by hour for the great event. Rumour even had it that the Danish journalists sit uncomfortably all night at the gates of the Royal Villa but official sources have denied this allegation. The news will be announced to Corfu by the firing of the guns from the Old Citadel,

101 salvoes for a boy (this will take about an hour and a half) or 21 for a girl, but no firing will take place between midnight and 4am.

Garitsa Bay has been a busy anchorage for a number of yachts who plan to take part in celebrations that follow the Royal Birth. Fireworks are to be fired from the Nomikos yacht Pigassos on which the King and Queen spent part of their honeymoon.

The Municipality of Corfu is planning a three day programme of celebrations which include fireworks, torch light processions, local dancing in the Plateia, choral singing in the town's streets, and illumination of the public buildings.



King Constantine in Corfu

An Englishman in Italy

A Marvellous Madness Une Folie Merveilleuse

The summer simmers with arrivals and Departures. Madness, like my gargoyle face on the pool, is a still exposure, which produces madness by its stillness, but I simplify. The camera has just become an object, controlled by my son's wife. Just before the family arrived a red hot poker landed on my palm while I was working in the sitting room. the hornet was despatched! The Doctor gave me sodium chloride and an ice pack. The next day the pain had gone. After this the family arrived, dispensing a wonderful insanity. My daughter in law announced that she was allergic to the hornets nesting in the roof. She sent for hornet experts, who sprayed the nest.

The hellish heat, we partially controlled by air conditioning the bedrooms. We had breakfast late, then swam all day in the pool or in the sea, while fortified with multiple refreshments in the shade. I swam, weightless, in the pool, dived its full length under water, splashed delighted young ones, ate, slept and swam. Sadly we said goodbye, to be welcomed for one night by the rain in Italy. Soon the sun's autoclave was blinding our eyes, sterilizing sweat on clothes and skin. I showered, showered and showered again. Now there is some order in our lives, the family remain, but they leave me a Smartphone so I see them all close up on the beach, continuing!

