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## Maritime police get tough after diver killed by speedboat

# ZERO TOLERANCE

THE DEATH of a diver off Cap Ferrat last Sunday has prompted the Riviera's maritime police to announce a 'zero tolerance' policy on offences committed on the water.

Diver Patrick Papa, 39, was killed instantly when he was hit by a speedboat piloted by Benoit Jouguet, a Cannes-based taxi firm manager. Jouguet, 29, now faces up to five years in prison for involuntary homicide and using excessive speed.

Jouguet had not even realised he had hit and killed the diver until his boat Dizzy was stopped by police nearly two hours later.

Papa was on the surface keeping an eye on his brother-in-law who was diving below. Despite having the regulation buoy required to signal to boat drivers that they were underwater, the tragedy still occurred. Witnesses told police what had happened and Jouguet was placed under arrest.

But the incident has had repercussions for all the region's pleasure craft users as the police get tough.

"We are implementing a zero tolerance policy for all boats and jet-skis with regard to excessive speeds at sea," Capitaine Andreu of the Nice-based maritime division of the Gendarmerie told The Gazette.

"Foreigners are subject to the same rules as French people. The law is clear. Water craft are not allowed to do more than five knots within 300 metres of the shore. We often catch holiday makers paying no attention to the laws. They disregard the speed limit and they pose a grave danger to themselves and the public.

"We will stop anyone who is flout-



GETTING A TUG... pleasure craft from superyachts to jetskis are liable to boarding and spot inspections by the maritime police

By JENNY PAUL

ing the law and we will commence the relevant legal process," warned Andreu.

Sebastian Charton, a diving instructor at Côte Plongée in Cap d'Antibes, told The Gazette "We often go out with four boats, which means 60 divers can be under the water. We always leave someone on the boats because despite the fact that we have the regulation warning flags, boat drivers take no notice and drive straight through the middle. If a diver

was coming back up to the surface they could be killed," says Charton.

"We often have to scream and shout 'get away – there's divers!' but generally they are nonchalant, shrug their shoulders and have an 'I'll go where I want, what's the big deal?' kind of attitude. If the police do crack down and people are aware of the laws and regulations, it could avoid fatal accidents in the future," concluded Sebastian.

● Even secret agents aren't immune to the crackdown. Sir Roger Moore, the former James Bond star who picked up a knighthood in the Queen's birth-

day honours list last weekend, was stopped by police during a routine check on yachts in the Rade de Villefranche on Tuesday.



DOUBLE-EAU-SEVEN... Screen star Moore was 'controlled' near Villefranche

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### Divorcee wanted

A MILLIONAIRE businessman thought to be based in Monaco is looking for a €143,000 a year personal assistant.

But the advert, in the UK's Sunday Times, warns "If you are married and want the job, get divorced now because you will never see your partner again."

The unidentified tycoon describes himself as an "eccentric tax exile" and an "inconsiderate, insensitive and demanding swine".

Intrigued Monaco residents are now busy guessing who might have placed the ad, which the paper has confirmed is "genuine".

### Mistaken identity

A FLORIDA woman was put in jail for six days and had her children taken into care after a French man mistook her for his missing wife, it was revealed this week.

Mother of two Nona Cason, 39, was arrested in Florida on May 16 and accused of being Nadine Tretiakoff, who disappeared with her two children six years ago.

Husband Pierre Fourcade has been hunting for them ever since. Cason was only released after a DNA test cleared her.

"I was wrong. Of course, I am sorry. She looked like my wife," Fourcade said in an interview with The Miami Herald.

### X marks the spot

NICE'S notorious Studio 34, the city's last X-rated cinema, is set to become a travel agency.

The seedy porn palace has been snapped up by Voyageurs du Monde and will undergo a €500,000 refurbishment.

# RED PEAR LAUNCHES ITS FRINGE FESTIVAL

**THE Red Pear Theatre is launching its own annual fringe festival with a quick fire series of three plays at the Antibéa Theatre, starting tomorrow night.**

The first, *Wet and Warm*, will be performed by five young actors from Queen Margaret University College in Edinburgh. The comedy is the first full length play by Alan Couldrey, an up-and-coming young British writer, and examines the discovery of the ins and outs of life without sex.

The play tells the story of Robert, a deity with the power to make and break planets. It tells of his coming to terms with the failure of a pet project - namely Earth - which is showing signs of a planet-wide move away from sexual activity. His only hope is to re-enthuse the population, but he's up against some very sex-less opponents.

"The play sprang from a comment made by 80's singer Boy George - 'Sex?' he delicately yawned, 'I'd rather have a cup of tea,'" says Alan.

"It's got sexy jokes, and there's a lot of very passionate tea drinking. There's also some banana brandishing - in fact the play features bananas and cucumbers of various sizes to meet every conceivable need. But it's not at all what you think," warned Alan.

"This is really what Red Pear is about," said director Hilary King. "We put on lots of great shows, but we're



**YAHOO FOR TYPHOON! ... Lucia Rovardi, Robert Pattison, Alan Cross, Jennifer Davidson and Phillip Weddell will explore the possibility that tea is better than sex in *Antibes***

also here to develop people. We're really pleased to give these students a chance to perform, and also they have given back by taking the play into two of the local schools this week.

"Now, hopefully, pupils at Mougins School and Nice's ISN will also have a greater understanding of how real drama works thanks to these young actors.

The play is set to be part of this year's Edinburgh fringe festival in

August, but first the curtain will go up on *Warm and Wet's* world premier at the Antibéa Theatre in Old Antibes at 8:30pm tomorrow night.

Tickets are only €10, and the theatre is fully air-conditioned. Advance bookings can be made on 04 93 61 01 71. And, while you're on the phone, you might as well ask about tickets for next weekend's show; Never Say Dai with 'young welsh prodigy' Arwel Treharne Morgan.

### School bus fire blamed on parents

TEN school buses were burnt out at a depot in Vallauris on Tuesday, causing more than €1m damage.

Police thinks the blaze was probably started by angry parents protesting that striking bus drivers haven't been at work for the past 28 days.

### Heatwave concerns

THE hottest June in more than fifty years is generating fears of a drought later this summer.

Temperatures have been consistently five or six degrees above average, with thermometers hitting 37.7 degrees at Le Luc in the Var last Friday.

### Var crime down again

CRIME was down again in the Var in May, with a drop of 8.51 per cent on the same month last year.

While road crime, theft and robbery were all down, the theft of motorcycles and scooters rose by 7.17%, a phenomenon ascribed to the good weather.

### New pleasure port

MAIRIES in the Toulon metropolitan area have given the go-ahead for a new pleasure port to be built on the site of the old naval base at St Mandrier in the Var.

The new marina will accommodate up to 60 yachts and is expected to create 200 new jobs from 2005.

### Top banker not guilty

BANK of France governor Jean-Claude Trichet was acquitted on Wednesday of fraud charges stemming from the government's decade-old bailout of Credit Lyonnais, one of France's biggest banks.

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UPDATE

## CUTTING TIES, CUTTING TAXES

The recent publication of an extensive background paper on the tax treatment of non-domiciled individuals in the UK is the clearest indication yet that the government plans to imminently change the tax rules concerning non-domicile status.

Currently non-UK domiciled individuals are exempt from paying tax on their overseas income - providing it is not brought into the UK. The media focus has been on the 60,000 wealthy UK residents with non-domicile status, but there are many UK expatriates who may find that the proposals affect them too.

### What is 'domicile'?

Under UK law you must have a

domicile for tax purposes. This is usually the place with which you have the closest connections - normally where you were born, rather than where you currently live.

If you are not intending to return to Britain to live, you may be able to establish an alternative domicile. This means shaking off the UK as your domicile of birth and taking steps to show that your new home abroad is permanent.

### Why become UK non-domiciled?

There are considerable tax advantages for UK nationals who are able to lose their UK domicile. If you are not domiciled in the UK, you are only subject to UK Inheritance Tax (IHT) on

assets situated within the UK.

In contrast, if you are UK domiciled, IHT is 40 per cent of the total value of your worldwide estate (after allowances). You may also find that you are liable for estate duties in your country of residence and in the country where the assets are physically located.

Credit is frequently not given for tax paid in one country against tax due in another. This could mean that the total estate duty payable on your assets could actually amount to more than your assets are worth.

### How do I lose my UK domicile?

The Inland Revenue will look for proof that ties with the UK have been cut and permanent ties with a new country esta-

blished. This could include purchase of a house in the new country, relinquishing of rights to vote in the UK and establishment of financial ties with the new country.

You can't find out in advance from the Inland Revenue whether you are classed as non-domicile. The easiest way to test domicile is by setting up a discretionary trust, making a 'chargeable transfer' into it over and above lifetime exemption and reporting this to the UK Inland Revenue. If there is no tax charge to lifetime IHT you are non-domiciled. If you receive a charge then you remain domiciled.

Act now before it is too late. Changes to non-domicile status will not benefit UK expatriates or wealthy non-domiciled individuals residing in the UK.

If you would like advice on the chances of obtaining non-domicile, or further information about protecting your assets, please contact us.

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# Jumping mad



ON THE ROCKS... cliff divers plunged 25 metres into Fontvieille harbour

**THIS year's Red Bull Cliff Diving competition took place in Monaco last Saturday.**

Adrenaline-hungry divers hit speeds of over 100 km/h in less than three seconds as they plunged 25 metres from the cliff into Fontvieille's port.

The winner was 29-year-old Orlando Duque, who performed a forward somersault with four full twists. "I am really tired. Once the competition is over all the adrenalin is gone and you feel totally exhausted," said the Colombian.

Some divers were left bruised after performing their three dives, and four were forced to withdraw.

Serbian Zvezdan Grozdic shrugged off injury when he hit the water too hard. "I am OK, this happens all the time," he said, with a grin on his face.

And Daniel Locher, 19, told reporters "You're always happy after a competition if you don't have any injuries."

## Monaco's SBM buys into Vegas

MONACO'S Société des Bains de Mer (SBM) has invested in a chain of casino hotels in Las Vegas.

SBM, which owns and operates the casino as well as most of the principality's luxury hotels, has acquired a 3.6 per cent stake in Wynn Resorts for US\$45m.

This is the first time that the SBM, which is 69% owned by

the principality, has focused its operations abroad.

Wynn resorts is building a super luxury hotel in Las Vegas. Le Reve will have 2,701 bedrooms and will be completed in April 2005. The company is also venturing into the Chinese resort of Macau.

SBM has held the exclusive right to operate casinos in Monaco since 1863.

## Hitch hiker hijack

A KINDLY DRIVER became the victim of a car-jacking last week after giving two hitchhikers a lift in the early hours of the morning.

The man picked up the hitchhikers in Golfe-Juan, where they asked to be driven to Cannes.

But as soon as the car reached a quiet spot the two youths ordered the man to get out of his Citroën ZX. They then took off towards St Raphaël where they picked up some friends.

Police found the gang after they crashed as they returned to Golfe-Juan later the same night. The culprits were arrested and will appear before Grasse magistrates early next year.

### Butterfly takes off outdoors

AN open-air production of Puccini's Madame Butterfly will be in the town square at Gattières from July 19 to 25.

The 30 musicians, ten singers and seven soloists will move on to Carros and St Paul de Vence on July 27 and 29.

The opera follows a love affair between the young Butterfly and her US navy beau. However when she discovers he has been philandering she takes her own life. Performances start at 9:15pm, with tickets at €29 from 04 93 08 61 16.

### Eden Roc's planning shock

THE luxury Hotel du Cap Eden Roc on Cap d'Antibes has been fined €800,000 for building a billiard room without planning permission.

The 137 square metre room was converted from a bathroom in 1994, but last Thursday magistrates in Grasse ruled that it must be cleared and a penalty of €75 a day will be charged until it is emptied.

The hotel, which accepts payment from its rich and famous clientele on a cash-only basis, has launched an appeal.

## Goodbye Gregory

VETERAN screen idol Gregory Peck died last Thursday at his home in Los Angeles aged 87, with his French wife at his side.

Around 3,000 friends, family and fans paid their last respects at a public memorial service in LA which took place after a private service.

Among the tributes from around the globe French President Jacques Chirac lamented the loss calling him a "very dear friend" and "a man of exceptional culture".

He also described Peck as "a huge artist with rare charisma."

"He had extraordinary sensitivity, the gift of truthfulness and sincerity," he added.

Peck won an Oscar for his performance as lawyer Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mocking Bird* in 1962. His other films include *The Guns of Navarone* and *Cape Fear*.

He divided his time in his last years between France and America.

### Three more hurt at blackspot

TWO moped riders and a car passenger were seriously injured in yet another accident on the RN98 between La Sesta and Fort Carré in Antibes last Wednesday.

This is the latest in a series of accidents to occur at the notorious blackspot. An investigation is currently underway.

The crash, which caused huge traffic jams in both directions, happened at 6.30 in the evening and police are appealing for witnesses to call them with any information on 04 92 90 78 00.

## Fraudster's year long spree ends

AN UNEMPLOYED man was arrested this week, accused of spending €48,000 in a haphazard credit card scam.

The unidentified 56-year old, who is on the dole, went on the year-long spending spree after he applied for two credit cards, one in his wife's name and another bearing just his first name.

When the cards turned up he gleefully spent an average €4,000 a month on luxuries including champagne, clothes and furniture.

But the fraudster's fling came to an end after police traced him via his mobile phone and swooped on his mother's house to nab him.

## Xtreme golfers sail home

LAST Friday's Bluewater Golf annual International Team Scramble was won by Team Xtreme, the entry from Antibes' Xtreme bar.

Teams of four players paid €560 each to enter the event, and the winners walked away with a weekend superyacht charter for eight.



**WINNERS** ... Bluewater's Peter Bennett with Mark Mathias, Judson Mathias, Caroline Theatre, Toby Muller and Phillip de la Clergerie from the winning Xtreme Team

# TWO COMMUNES WIN BLUE FLAGS

THE prestigious blue flags for beach quality have been handed out – and locally only Antibes-Juan les Pins and Cap d'Ail will be flying the Pavillon Bleu on their beaches this summer after passing the rigorous tests set down by the European parliament.

The award is only given to beaches that have water clean enough to pass the strict tests and that have facilities including lifeguards, first aid and access for disabled visitors.

"We are very happy as we didn't get the Pavillon Bleu last year," Olivier Dark of Antibes' town hall told The Riviera Gazette, "but we've got it this year after making the necessary changes and we have very good quality water."

"There was some oil pollution in the area caused by a boat on Monday, but that will not affect us as it was out at sea and well away from the coast, and anyway it has now been cleaned up," Dark continued.

### Nine winners

Nine beaches in Antibes-Juan les Pins are flying the blue flag: Hotel Belles Rives, Armorial, La Bretagne, Le Provençal, Neptune, Les Sablettes, La Siesta and Voile Blanche.

And the only other beach to reach the standard required to fly the flag is the Plage des Pissarelles at Cap d'Ail,



JUAN LES PINS ... top of the league in the clean beaches awards for the Cote d'Azur

which is popular with naturists.

However, mayors in other towns along the coast have snubbed the award and are not even entering their beaches to see if they are eligible for the accolade.

Nice has not entered since 1996 and Cannes refused to enter this year after failing to make the grade last year.

Winners are monitored regularly and organisers warn that if standards slip the flag can and will be removed.

The reluctant burghers surely hope the sun worshippers will assume the beaches of the area's tourist hotspots are clean anyway, but some may feel they're simply not taking part because they can't win.

Those not wishing to take the chance in Cannes could perhaps try Weston Super Mare, Cleethorpes or Colwyn Bay – just three of the award winners in the UK, where the number of beaches to make the grade has almost doubled in the last three years.

## Woody backs French

AMERICAN film director and Francophile Woody Allen is appearing in a promotional video for the French tourist board to urge his countrymen to forget recent differences over Iraq and visit France.

"I will not refer to my French fried potatoes as freedom fries and I will not freedom kiss my wife when all I want to do is French kiss her. So let's pull together now," says the neurotic New Yorker.

## Lorry overturns

AN ENGLISH family's move to the south of France was in tatters this week after a lorry carrying their furniture crashed in the centre of Grasse.

The 3.5 ton truck overturned on the town's Avenue Baudin as the driver fought to slow it after brake failure caused the vehicle to veer out of control on the town's steep streets.

The driver escaped unhurt.

## Boozy brits boost sales

MAJESTIC wine expects to double its sales in France by 2005 as thirsty Britons cross the channel to load up with cheap wine.

Chief executive Tim How said Wine & Beer World, the French business that Majestic bought in 2001, saw sales in Calais and Cherbourg rise nearly 14 per cent last year, which helped boost the group's pre-tax profits by 38 per cent.

## Survivors could sue

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Relocation specialist **Eli Plenier** tells Jenny Paul how a spell of housesitting led to a job helping stave off French bureaucracy...

“ I CAME here from Dunkirk in 1991. I followed my boyfriend so, in a way, you could say that I moved down here for love.

I was an optician and I managed to find work straight away in Antibes. It's very different to Dunkirk but I love it here. I have made lots of friends and am very happy.

I had been to Juan les Pins on holiday once when I was 17 and saw a woman with her kids coming home from school and thought what a great lifestyle it must be going to the beach and living an outdoor life. I didn't know that 10 years later I would be living here myself!

A few years later I left my job as an optician and found work on a yacht as a chef. I travelled all over the world. I went to Majorca, Thailand, and I even did the Antibes to New York Atlantic crossing.

But, like nearly everyone, after a few years I longed to live a normal life on dry land. I didn't know what I wanted to do so I looked after a friend's house for a while. It was then that I discovered lots of people need help with French administration, so I decided to start a business helping people with all the red tape in France.

It's been a lot of hard work and very stressful but interesting as there's always something different and new. You do need lots of patience. I love helping



**PAPER PUSHER...** Eli gave up travelling the world on yachts to help new arrivals with their French paperwork

people out and they are always so happy when they get their carte de sejour or the registration papers through for their car. I also smooth the pain of house buying and can help with notaires and estate agents.

To relax I like sailing but I also go out a lot socialising. I do a lot of outdoor sports including rollerblading and tennis, but chilling around the pool is great as well. I also enjoy long lunches on the beach.

My favourite is the Plage Keller at La Garoupe on Cap

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I like going to Latinos bar in Antibes for a few drinks as I never know who I'm going to bump into there. The population is so transient; people are always going away but they always end up coming back, even if it's several years later. That also gives me a chance to meet lots of people which is

great.

I don't like all the traffic in summer though, but then nobody does. But there isn't anything else I don't like about this part of France. Everything is here that I like - from the skiing in winter to all kinds of outdoor activities in summer.

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CONFESSIONS OF A DANGEROUS MIND Sat 17:00, Mon 17:30, 21:15

FRIDA Sat 19:30, Sun 17:30, 21:15 SELF-CONTROL Thu 17:30, 21:15, Tue 17:30

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25TH HOUR Fri 21:40 ABOUT SCHMIDT Sun 21:40 BOWLING FOR COLUMBINE Sat 14:40, Mon 22:20 CHICAGO Sat, Tue 17:00 DOGVILLE Sat 21:15

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- The **British Chamber of Commerce's** monthly meeting tackles 'surviving in business' this evening at the Les Arbousiers restaurant on Lac St Cassien. Two speakers will detail how they have survived so long in the French business climate. Apertifs are at 19:00 and the price of €30 includes a buffet dinner and wine. Reservations are essential. Tel: 04 97 08 11 30.
- Monaco's **Fete de Music** continues tonight with the third in a series of five musical concerts at 21:00 at the Seaside Café, Salle Camille Blanc in Monte-Carlo. Enjoy drinks and tapas while listening to jazz, rock, blues, electro, world and classical music. Tel: +377 99 99 30 00.
- The Nice Philharmonic Orchestra and the Nice Opera are performing Bizet's **Carmen** with soloists Béatrice Uria-Monzon, Richard Leech, Inva Mula and Franck Ferrari at the Nikaia in Nice tonight and tomorrow at 20:00. Tickets from €23. Tel: 04 92 29 31 12.

## Friday 20

- The British Association of Monaco is running a coach trip to the Serravallo **designer outlet mall** in Italy where there are over 150 discount stores selling everything from branded fashion items to household goods. The coach will leave Monaco at 08:00 on the dot and return around 19:00. €23 for members and €25 for guests. Tel: +377 93 50 19 52.
- Valbonne's annual **boules tournament** for English-speakers will take place today on the boules pitches near the Salle des Fetes. Up to 32 teams of three people will enjoy an evening of fun and boules – all are welcome, especially beginners as the emphasis is on fun rather than ability. There will be refreshments and prizes. Advance registration is essential. For more information or to register your team contact Jill at the Valbonne Book Centre on 04 93 12 21 42 or Zoe or Andrea on 04 93 12 08 68.
- The Red Pear Theatre's own fringe festival gets underway tonight with a performance of **Warm and Wet** at Antibes' Antibe theatre at 20:30. The slick and funny play 'explores in the ins and outs of life without sex' and will be playing at the Edinburgh Festival later this year. Tickets are still available at €10 from 04 93 61 01 71.
- The Open University Business School is holding a **drop-in information session** in Sophia Antipolis at the Hotel Mercure. Apertifs will be served at 18:30 and there will be a presentation between 19:30 and 20:30. There will also be an opportunity to network with alumni and students after the talk. Tel: 04 93 77 06 28.
- Verdi's **La Traviata** with Agnès Bastian, Guy Bonfiglio and the Orchestral Ensemble and Choir conducted by Errol Girdlestone will be

performing tonight and tomorrow at the Salle des Variétés in Monte-Carlo at 20:30. Tel: +377 93 25 82 39.

- Bar-sur-Loup's annual **Fête de la St Jean** weekend kicks off tonight at 21:00 with a gala dance in the marquee in the town centre. The weekend's events start with a procession leaving from the church at 9:15 on Saturday morning. There will be aperitifs and a barbecue at midday and a bonfire and fireworks in the evening. Mass on Sunday will be followed by the opening of the new Jardin d'Enfants followed by aperitifs and a boules tournament. Aioli will be served at 19:30 and will be followed by a ball in the evening. Tel: 04 93 42 72 21.
- **Contemporary jewellery** by German designers Dorothea Prühl, Hermann Jünger, Gabriele Dziuba and Gerd Rothmann will be shown at the Espace Solidor in Haut de Cagnes until September 14. The exhibition starts this evening at 18:00. Tel: 04 93 22 19 25.
- Stars 'n' Bars in Monaco is hosting a **teen party** for 13 to 17-year-olds this evening starting at 20:00 and finishing at 23:00. Tickets are €30. Tel: +377 97 97 95 95.
- LOT flies to Copenhagen, Gdansk, Prague and Stockholm and Warsaw at 16:30.
- Continuing today is Monaco's Fête de Music and Nice Opera's Carmen.

## Saturday 21

- Today is **Fête de la Musique**, a country-wide celebration of music. All towns throughout France will be celebrating with music and entertainment on the streets. **Jane Birkin** will be performing at Monaco's Seaside Café, while Eze is hosting a **country and western** music evening with Jo Preston. Vence will have **reggae, Brazilian jazz and traditional and classical concert** recreating the feeling of Harlem Church at 20:30 at the Salle Courteline and **Cuban** music will be on offer in the place des Patriotes at 21:30. Amateur and professional musicians are welcome to bring their instruments and a picnic to a **jam session** in the olive orchard at Valbonne's Ferme Bermond, with the music starting at 19:00. Villefrance-sur-Mer will have **Irish groups** performing in its streets as it continues its Irish Year theme. For details of events near you contact your local tourist office.
- LOT flies to Gdansk, Warsaw and Wrocław at 16:30.
- Continuing today is La Traviata and Monaco's Fête de Music.

## Sunday 22

- The Menton branch of the British Association is organising a day trip to see the **Battle of Flowers** in Ventimiglia, Italy. The group will meet in the ticket hall at Ventimiglia railway station at 14:20 and walk down to the route of the parade. Tickets are €3, or €16 for a place in the stands –

these are reduced prices and must be booked in advance. Call 04 92 10 04 16 for more details.

- The Hash House Harriers – 'the drinking club with a running problem' – will be holding its 428th event for **runners or walkers** at 11:30, starting in the parking area next to Air France on the Route de Crêtes in Sophia Antipolis. There will be a barbecue and pool party in Valbonne afterwards; all are welcome. More details on www.rivierahh.com or from 04 93 12 16 23.
- Bring your own picnic to the Château Mouresse in Vidauban for an afternoon of music from the **Ian Anderson Jazz Trio**. The château has a pine tree shaded picnic area and offers good local wines for sale. Tel: 04 94 04 49 60.
- The Forum, an informal social club for English-speakers, is holding a **singles evening** at Morrison's Irish bar in Cannes, starting at 20:30. Advance booking is essential; call 06 22 82 16 18.
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## Monday 23

- International **jazz soloists** will be playing at the Salle des Variétés in Monaco at 20:30 this evening in the first of two concerts organised by the Académie de Musique. Tel: +377 93 15 28 91.
- LOT flies to Copenhagen, Gdansk, Kraków, Stockholm and Warsaw at 16:30
- Continuing today is Cannes' dance show

## Tuesday 24

- The Cannes branch of the British Association is holding a **barbecue supper** in Mouans Sartoux this evening at 18:30. Tickets are €25 for members and €27 for non-members and the price includes wine. Don't forget to bring a prize for the raffle! Tel: 04 93 77 77 40.
- LOT flies to Copenhagen, Gdansk, Kraków, Stockholm and Warsaw at 16:30.
- Continuing today is the International Jazz Soloists concert in Monaco.

## Wednesday 25

- The exhibition for Monaco's 37th **International Contemporary Art Prize** starts today the Salle d'Exposition Quai Antoine 1er in Monte-Carlo. Opening hours are 11:00 to 19:00 until July 10. Tel: +377 93 15 20 83
- LOT flies to Copenhagen, Gdansk, Stockholm and Warsaw at 16:30.

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- Red Pear Theatre's fringe festival continues with **Never Say Dai**, a 'brilliant and beguiling evening of comedy and music' written and performed by Arwel Treharne Morgan. Shows are on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 June from 8:30 at the Theatre Antibe, Antibes. Tickets are €23 from 04 93 61 01 71.
- South African singer **Johnny Clegg** is performing in Vence as part of the Nuits de Sud festival on July 11. Tickets are €13. Tel: 04 93 58 06 38

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