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Everybody's Talking

Uphill ride A grandmother of six from Bolivia isn't afraid of a challenge. Mirtha Munoz is the oldest person to ever participate in her country's Skyrace. This race is entirely uphill and takes place on the "Death Road," so named for its dangerous 60-kilometre (37-mile) route from lowland to mountain peak. Munoz has been biking for many years, so did not think the race was a big deal. However, it's very different from the leisurely rides she and her grandchildren enjoy together.

Cash give-away Some people living in a low-income district of Istanbul, Turkey, recently had something to cheer about. A mysterious man came into the neighbourhood and paid off their debts. The man went into a grocery store wanting to know who owed money to the store. After asking to meet some of these folks, he came back to the store and paid their debts. The unknown man also placed cash in envelopes and put them on the steps of the homes of families in need. When the grocery store owner asked who he was, the man would not say, but suggested they could consider him Robin Hood.

Luxurious water house Anyone wanting to live in a luxurious home, which is also a boat, can fork over \$5.5 million (USD) to buy a floating home called the Arkup. It is set up like a real home, complete with living room, lounge, four bedrooms, a kitchen, and lots of windows through which to enjoy ocean views. Available in Miami, Florida (U.S.), it is a perfect vessel for touring coastal waters, although it's not built to travel in rough seas. It has a rainwater purification system and solar energy, as well as hydraulic stilts, should the owner choose to raise it out of the water.

Clean water In a city in Japan, colourful koi fish swim in the drain channels that border the streets. The city of Shimabara is located on Kyushu Island. The water is exceptionally clean in these drain channels because of an earthquake that happened over two centuries ago. The quake caused freshwater springs to gush. In more recent years, city officials decided to stock the channels with the fish, which today are a tourist attraction. Shimabara is known as the City of Swimming Carp. There are only a few other towns in Japan with fish swimming in their drain gutters.

Quoteable Quotes

"Nothing endures but change." *Heracitus*
"...there is a luxury in being quiet in the heart of chaos." *Virginia Woolf*

What's Happening

Aug 13 - Elders Tea Join us every second Thursday of each month for McMurray Metis Elders Tea. Activity and Location to be announced monthly. Check out event discussion and our Facebook Page for updates! <https://www.facebook.com/McMurrayMetis> Contact 780-743-2659 for info.

September 4- Wood Buffalo RibFest RibFest is coming to Fort McMurray for the second year in a row. Presented by Syncrude, this is the biggest BBQ event in North America! For more info go to Facebook!

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Trivia

1. An entertainer who performs in silence is known as what?
2. If you are disingenuous, are you quiet or insincere?
3. What is the largest island of the Inner Hebrides, off the coast of Scotland?
4. In children's nursery rhymes, who "could eat no fat"?
5. Does honey ever go bad—Y/N?

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The only way to really please yourself is by being true to your heart. Try not to let the expectations of others be part of your goal. This may be a time to revise your plans. Lucky numbers: 14, 24, 28, 29, 32, 44.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)

Put extra energy into thinking about and organizing your professional life. Decisions you make now may very likely work out well, as you are clear and objective. Lucky numbers: 16, 19, 23, 32, 43, 49.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

Your positive energy may enable you to meet some tight deadlines. You might be astonished by how much work you can accomplish, once you get yourself going. Lucky numbers: 1, 8, 12, 25, 37, 41.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)

Communication! Your positive energy may let you reach higher places. Expressing your viewpoint might help you continue to bring others together for a purpose. Lucky numbers: 1, 2, 27, 37, 48, 49.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 23)

Friends may try to reveal themselves in the most mysterious ways. You might know them very well and be able to stimulate their imaginations and draw them in. Lucky numbers: 2, 11, 19, 32, 37, 39.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

There may be many choices for you to try to make. You might need to listen to your own heart and not allow others to interfere with your important decisions. Lucky numbers: 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 45.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Gemini winners with the luckiest number being 8.

Did You Know...

Big cities: India is the largest of the South Asian countries. It is also the most populous, with numerous big cities, such as Delhi, Mumbai, and Bengaluru.

Play ball: The United States has a number of large football stadiums. These include the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles, California; MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey; and FedExField Stadium in Landover, Maryland.

Big box: People from the Philippines who live abroad send balikbayan boxes home to their families. These boxes, which are inexpensively shipped by ocean cargo, are filled with such things as toys, clothing, books, and food.

The far north: The Earth's most northern region is the Arctic, the border of which is the Arctic Circle (66°30' N). It includes Greenland, Baffin Island, and the far northern parts of Canada, Europe, and Alaska (U.S.).

Smelly fruit: Like blue cheese, durian fruit is smelly. This large, oval fruit has a shell that is covered with spikes, but the fruit inside is rich in vitamins and minerals. However, many people can't get past its disagreeable odor.

On the Lighter Side

An economist is an expert who will know tomorrow why the things he predicted yesterday did not happen today.

Patient: "I keep seeing spots in front of my eyes."

Nurse: "Have you seen a doctor?"

Patient: "No, just spots."

What type of book has only characters and no story?
A telephone book.

He doesn't get lost; he discovers alternative destinations.

What starts with E, ends with E, and has only 1 letter in it?
Envelope.

Answers

4. Jack Sprat 5. No
Trivia answers: 1. A mine 2. Insincere 3. Isle of Skye

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Recipe of the month

Summer Fruit and Mascarpone Tart

2 x 320g ready-rolled all-butter puff pastry
100g icing sugar
750g tub mascarpone
600ml double cream
2 tsp vanilla extract
200g raspberries, a few halved
200g blackberries, a few halved

1 large mango, peeled and thinly sliced
6 nectarines or peaches, a mixture, sliced
4 passion fruits (look for ones with crinkly skins - they're ripe), halved, seeds and pulp scooped out
handful small mint leaves

Prep: 30 mins. Cook: 30 mins Level: Easy Serves: 15-18

- Heat oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6. Unroll 1 pastry sheet, but leave it on the parchment. Place it on a baking tray, dust with 2 tbsps icing sugar, then cover with another sheet of parchment and another baking tray. Pour baking beans into the tray to weigh it down, or use empty cans. Bake for 30 mins, then check if the pastry is golden all over. If not, return for another 5 mins or so. Repeat with the other pastry sheet (or cook both together if you have enough trays). Once out of the oven, trim the edges with a large, sharp knife. Leave to cool.
- Softly whip the mascarpone, cream, vanilla and remaining icing sugar, then transfer half to a disposable piping bag fitted with a 1.5cm round nozzle (or just snip off the corner). Pipe blobs of the mascarpone cream over the surface of one piece of pastry, right up to the edges. Top with half the fruit and dust with a little icing sugar.
- Top with the second piece of pastry, more mascarpone cream (refilling the bag when you need to), the remaining fruit, a dusting of icing sugar and, finally, some mint leaves. Use a serrated knife to cut through the layers.

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