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Dear Readers,

Welcome to our April edition. We have another jam-packed issue for you to look through, featuring a variety of exciting competition giveaways. This month, you have the chance to win tickets to see Ocean Colour Scene, entry to the Disco for Adults at Chester Cathedral, more Britfest tickets, and our monthly £25 cash competition.

Additionally, No Mans Land at Bodrhyddan Hall is back bigger and better than ever. Please take a look at our editorial to see what you can expect at this year's event.

As spring is in the air, we are also featuring this season's latest fashion trends. There is plenty more going on inside, so please have a look through the magazine and feel free to pass it on to someone else so they can enjoy it as well.

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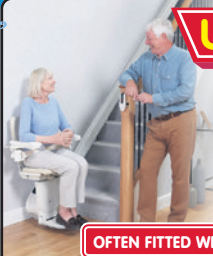
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The festival kicks off with a Thursday night party featuring **Symphonic Ibiza**, complete with live strings and special guest **Angie Brown**.

Since its debut in 2024, The Brit Fest has seen remarkable growth, reaching over 30,000 visitors in 2025 - a massive year-on-year

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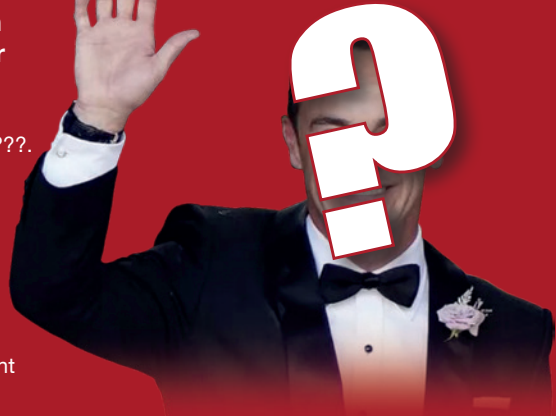
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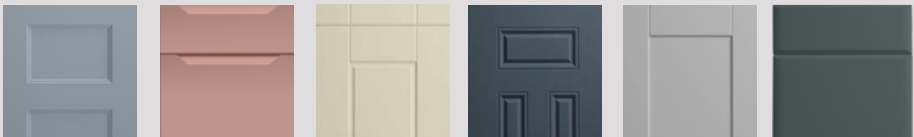
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## LEE CRONIN'S THE MUMMY

● **In cinemas:** April 17, 2026  
● **Director:** Lee Cronin  
● **Starring:** Jack Raynor, Laia Costa, Natalie Grace.

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# CHOCOLATE & VANILLA CELEBRATION CAKE

Round off the Easter weekend with this stunning showstopper cake. The sponges taste even better after a day or two, so it's a great get-ahead recipe.

## INGREDIENTS

- 225ml vegetable oil plus extra for the tins
- 300g plain flour
- 100g cocoa powder
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1½ tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 400g light brown soft sugar
- 300ml milk
- 2 tsp white wine vinegar
- 100ml strong coffee or espresso, cooled
- 2 tsp vanilla extract or paste
- 3 medium eggs

## For the vanilla buttercream

- 400g butter at room temperature
- 800g icing sugar
- 2 tsp vanilla extract or paste
- 4-5 tbsp milk food colouring pastes

## To decorate

- edible flowers
- pastel sugared almonds or chocolate eggs

SERVE: 15  
PREP: 35 min  
COOK: 30 min



## METHOD

**STEP 1** Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Oil three 20cm cake tins and line with baking parchment. Weigh out the flour, cocoa powder, baking powder, bicarb and sugar into a large bowl, add a pinch of salt and whisk gently to combine.

**STEP 2** Measure the oil, milk, vinegar, coffee and vanilla into a jug, then add the eggs and whisk to combine. Pour the ingredients into the dry and stir with a whisk until smooth, making sure there are no pockets of flour at the bottom of the bowl. Divide the batter evenly between the tins, then bake on the middle shelf of the oven for 25 mins.

**STEP 3** Check the cakes are

cooked by inserting a skewer into the centre of each - if any batter clings to the skewer, return the tins to the oven for another 5 mins, then check again. Leave to cool in the tins for 30 mins, then turn the sponges out onto wire racks to cool completely. If making ahead, wrap the cooled sponges well and store in an airtight container for up to three days, or the freezer for up to two months.

**STEP 4** For the buttercream, beat the butter using an electric whisk or in a stand mixer for a few minutes until smooth and creamy. Add half the icing sugar and beat again to combine. Add the remaining icing sugar, the vanilla and 4 tbsp milk then beat again to combine, adding a splash more milk if needed. Divide between three bowls. Add a few

drops of different food colouring paste to each bowl, then mix well.

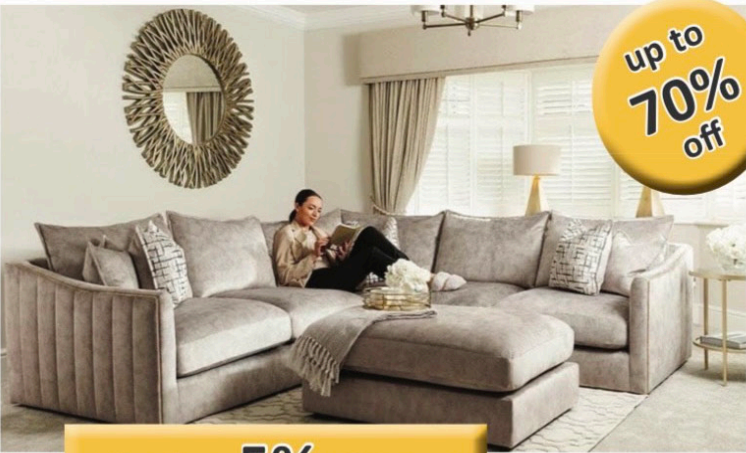
**STEP 5** Spoon the buttercream mixtures into three separate piping bags, pipe a dot of buttercream onto a cake stand or board and place a sponge on top to help keep it in place. Pipe small blobs of purple buttercream all over the top of the sponge by holding the piping bag directly above the cake, about ½cm from the surface, and squeezing the bag while pulling upwards to create a small peak.

**STEP 6** Place the second sponge on top, add pink buttercream, add the third sponge, then pipe yellow buttercream over the surface. Decorate with edible flowers, sugared almonds or mini chocolate eggs. Will keep in a tin at room temperature for up to five days.

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# Legendary Ocean Colour Scene set to perform in Wrexham!

Wrexham is in for a spectacular treat this May! The legendary Ocean Colour Scene are bringing their iconic Britpop sound to Llwyn Isaf on Monday 4th May, performing in the big top thanks to FOCUS Wales. Even better, all profits from the ticket sales will go directly to Nightingale House Hospice, Wrexham's independent hospice, supporting patients and families living with a life-limiting illness.

Tickets go on sale at 10am Thursday 19th February, with first access signups available from 10am Wednesday 18th February via [www.nightingalehouse.co.uk/events](http://www.nightingalehouse.co.uk/events).

The concert forms part of Ocean Colour Scene's 30 year celebration of their triple platinum album 'Moseley Shoals', home to unforgettable hits such as Riverboat Song, The Circle, and The Day We Caught the Train. With seventeen Top 40 singles and six Top 10s to their name, Ocean Colour Scene remain one of the most successful and beloved bands of the modern era. Their live performances are celebrated for their infectious energy, engaging audience sing-alongs, and vibrant, memorable atmosphere.

Having honed their craft over six years before exploding onto the Britpop scene, Ocean Colour Scene released three Top 5 albums and chalked up nine successive Top 20 singles. Inspired by the soul, folk, and blues legends who shaped them, the band have continued to refine their sound and returned the favour in 2018 when they toured with Martha Reeves & The Vandellas, thrilling audiences with their legendary performances.

Elise Jackson, Events and Campaigns Manager at Nightingale House, said:

"We are absolutely thrilled to be part of this incredible event. Ocean Colour Scene are true legends, and thanks to FOCUS Wales, this concert will not only celebrate amazing music but also raise vital funds for Nightingale House. Every ticket sold will help ensure our patients and their families receive the care and support they need when it matters most."

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Andy Jones, Head of Music at FOCUS Wales shared: "We're excited to be bringing such a special show to Wrexham in support of Nightingale House Hospice, and we're hoping the whole community show their support for such an important cause."

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**1:** Which Coronation Street character started off as a student with high hopes, but never left his home town. He had a string of jobs and almost as long a string of ex-lovers and wives?

**2:** In 1993 what tragedy did Emmerdale use to attract viewers?

**3:** In Eastenders, who shot Phil Mitchell?

**4:** Originally a villain, which Emmerdale character softened his ways over the years. He also had an eye for the ladies, and dodgy antiques deals?

**5:** In Brookside, what was the name of Mandy Jordache's daughter who helped Mandy murder Trevor Jordache?

**6:** Unlucky in love may well have been a phrase coined for this Coronation Street



character. She had the misfortune to be widowed four times and really had to learn to stay away from water?

**7:** In the long running series "The Bill", what personal tragedy hit Chief Superintendent Adam Okaro?

**8:** in Hollyoaks, who was the Scouse businessman who turned his hand to many ventures. He first appeared as a teenager and chalked up a succession of marriages and affairs.

**9:** In Crossroads, which character ended up confined to a wheelchair following a car accident?

**10:** When he first appeared in Eastenders he was just an argumentative teenager, but which character managed to cook up five marriages to four women in 32 years?

**11:** Brookside was Channel 4's flagship soap and ran for nearly 20 years. In which city was Brookside set?

**12:** In Coronation Street, what is the name of Gail's third husband, who killed his ex wife Patricia, and buried her body under concrete?





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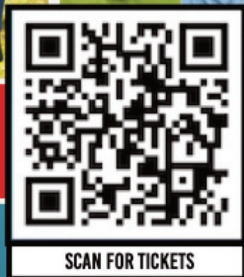


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**When is it?** Over the weekend of April 11/12th 2026, from 10am-4pm.

**Where?** Bodrhyddan Hall is between Dyserth and Rhuddlan on the A5151.

**How much?** £12.50 for adults in advance (£15 on the day), under 16's are free. You can buy a ticket for both days for £20. Or upgrade to include a house tour of Bodrhyddan Hall (tickets coming soon). Tickets can be bought from the link below or on the day.

**Is parking included?** Yes, the car park is approx 200m from the displays. We try to accommodate blue badge parking but cannot guarantee it during busy times.

**Is this event good for kids?** Yes, absolutely. As well as a chance to talk and learn



with the re-enactors, there are also activities such as archery, axe throwing, target practise and much more. We are delighted to be able to keep this event free for under 16's to encourage them to learn more about history, as well as help parents to navigate a busy (and potentially expensive) Easter holidays.

### **Will there be enough to keep them occupied?**

Definitely! Along side the demonstrations, there is also a timetable full of activities in the main arena, including cavalry, cannons and much more. Check out the timetable on our facebook page.

### **Is the event accessible?**

The event takes place on the open fields and parkland behind the Hall itself. While the approach is gentle and for the most part flat, there may be some uneven

ground in places. This may be more difficult to navigate in wet weather.

**What about the weather?** It has been an exceptionally wet winter and while the site has started to dry out, we would still recommend appropriate footwear and umbrellas.

**Are there stalls?** Yes, we have over 30 traders selling a variety of products, including antiques, toys, vintage clothes, viking mead and much more. Is there food? Yes, we are delighted to welcome back a number of food vendors who have worked with us before, as well as some new exhibitors.

**Anything else?** Yes, we have a large refreshment tent that also hosts live music from Nasteer Chapel and the The D-Day Dolls as well as puppet shows and comedy from Professor Llusern.

**Can I bring my dog?** Yes, but please be aware that some of the demonstrations include loud cannon fire which may startle some animals.

[bodrhyddan-events.co.uk/tc-events/no-mans-land-april-11th](http://bodrhyddan-events.co.uk/tc-events/no-mans-land-april-11th)



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# May half-term fun and sun

**M**ay half term is a great opportunity for a good value, bonding break with the family. Not only will you spend far less for your holiday than you would for the same trip in peak season, but there's no need to fly too far to find warm sunshine. Active families are well-served too. Whether it's a spot of surfing, cycling, kayaking or camel riding, there's a masses of fun to be had.

## Elegance and sun in Crete

**Flight time: 3h 45m; Temperature: 23C**

Spring is a perfect time to visit Greece's largest island. By this time of year there's up to 14 hours of daylight and hardly any rain, with temperatures which are warm but not sweltering. Ideal for a fly-and-flop week to an upmarket hotel located within easy reach of a white-sand beach.

**Details:** from £982 per person, half board, sharing a family bungalow sea view suite at the five-star Kalimera Kriti Hotel and Village Resort, through Sovereign Luxury Travel (01293 832 459; sovereign.com) including UK airport security fast passes and access to airport lounge, departing May 27.

## White-sand beaches in Corsica

**Flight time: 2h 10m; Temperature: 20C**

Glorious beaches, compelling culture and mouthwatering cuisine combined with stylish, child-friendly self-catering, a range of activities and spectacular inland scenery makes

this French island a top springtime destination for families.

**Details:** from £910 per person, self-catering, at Alto di Pinarello apartments near Porto Vecchio, through Simpson Travel (020 8003 6557; simpsontravel.com) including car hire, departing May 27.

## Surfing in Portugal

**Flight time: 2h 40m; Temperature: 22C**

Pounding Atlantic surf, huge sandy beaches and sports a-plenty, the Algarve is an ideal family playground for a May break. The only drawback is pricey flights (fares are currently on a par with August departures) but good value accommodation brings the overall costs to affordable levels.

**Details:** from £358.50 per person, with breakfast, for seven nights in an apartment sleeping four, at Monte da Vilharina near Carrapateira through i-escape (i-escape.com) including bike hire, departing May 26. Excludes flights and transfers.



White sands in Corsica

## Water adventures in Croatia

**Flight time: 2h 20m;**

**Temperature: 21C**

This country's dramatic coastline, rivers and gorges offer plenty of scope for exciting half-term pursuits for energetic, outdoorsy families including white-water rafting, climbing, sea kayaking and canyoning in up to 15 hours of daylight and reasonable warmth.

**Details:** from £1,515 (adult), £1,359 (child, from seven years) half board, for a seven-night "Family Adventure Holiday in Croatia" through Explore (01252 883634; explore.co.uk) departing May 26.



Off the beaten path in Sicily



Idyllic beaches in Crete

## Grown-up glamour on the Cote d'Azur

**Flight time:** 1h 55m (driving time from Calais: 11h);  
**Temperature:** 19C

Treat older teenagers to a taste of the highlife on the French Riviera where late May sees long, clear days with some real warmth creeping into the sun's rays. Base yourself within walking distance of buzzing restaurants and bars, and take day trips to flower-filled inland villages and sophisticated seaside resorts.

**Details:** from £2,855 rental only, for L'Esterele Pins, sleeping four, near Cannes on the French Riviera, through Oliver's Travels (0800 133 7999; oliverstravels.com), departing May 26. Flights and transfers excluded.

## Sunshine but fewer crowds in Sicily

**Flight time:** 2h 50m; **Temperature:** 21C

Long days, plenty of sunshine and comfortable heat can make late May a better alternative to the searing temperatures this island can experience in the peak summer months, especially for families with small children in tow. Pack extra layers for cooler evenings.

**Details:** from £4,599, rental-only at Casa dei Gabbiani, a seafront villa sleeping four with pool near Pozzallo, through The Thinking Traveller (020 7377 8518; thethinkingtraveller.com), departing May 26. Excludes flights and transfers.

## Alpine activity in Austria

**Flight time:** 1h 45m; **Temperature:** 13C

Walking, biking, mini golf and go-karting are just a few of the activities offered in the Austrian Tirol making it ideal for energetic, outdoor families who aren't fazed by the chance of an occasional shower. Expect around six hours of sunshine for circular hikes through idyllic Alpine wildflower meadows.

**Details:** from £762 per person, half board, based on two rooms at four-star Hotel Boglerhof in Alpbach, through Inghams (01483 791116; inghams.co.uk), departing May 26. Price includes a £90 per person saving and an Alpbach resort card.



## Ancient treasures in Jordan

**Flight time:** 5h; **Temperature:** 26C

Best for families who like their sunshine a little hotter than southern Europe can command in May, this fascinating Middle Eastern country offers the chance for four-wheel drive journeys into the desert, camel-riding, a swim in the Dead Sea and a day exploring the rose-red city of Petra, plus snorkeling in Aqaba.

**Details:** from £1,335 (adult), £1,185 (child, five to 11 years) with some meals, for a seven-night "Family Jordan Adventure Holiday" through KE Adventure Travel (01768 773966; keadventure.com), departing May 27.

## Surfing thrills in Portugal



## Family fun in Austria





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**CAN you feel that? It's finally in the air, a kind of palpable Springiness.**

This means a whole new season of trends - a lighter, brighter outlook - not so much hot-house as simply hot florals to sporty layers to dresses that are pretty, yes, but still pack a punch.

Supple leather, fashioned into a harness top or panelled trousers (left), is always a key fabrication at **Hermès**. This Spring, seek out a conker shade - warm and easily paired with neutrals.

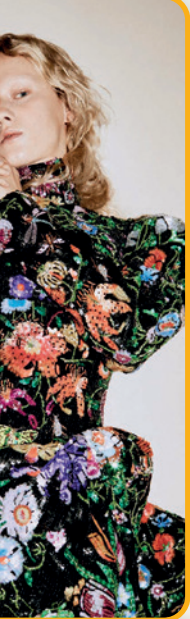
Pretty dresses (right) are back for Spring at **Dior**, especially embroidered with flowers or trails ribbons.

Athleticism inflected the art of dressing at **Fendi** (above left), where a perforated leather track jacket could be zipped over bare skin for a sporty yet sultry mood.

**Chanel's** classic tweed jacket was given new relevance by artistic director



# TRENDS FOR 2026



Matthieu Blazy (above centre), making a future collector's item out of the cover-up. Paired with pumps - square-toed and block-heeled - it's this season's most covetable way to do suiting.

The black dress expanded its lexicon at **Celine** (above right), with a high neck, distinctive buttons and a cut - severe yet somehow artistic - that made it worthy of renewed interest.

A cinch-waisted dress (right), complete with pleated skirt, became a modern proposition in the hands of **Prada**, who gave it an off-kilter colour - somewhere between chartreuse and lime - for added pep. Tucking a shirt underneath, in a contrasting shade, will have a similar effect this Spring.



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| 3. Lisa Shaw  | 8. Tony Hutchinson                    |
| 4. Eric Pollard   | 9. Sandy Richardson                   |
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