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La Tomatina in Amsterdam



The popular Spanish La Tomatina inspired a few young Dutch entrepreneurs. La Tomatina is a festival in which people throw tomatoes at each other.

The Dutch entrepreneurs organised a similar event in Amsterdam. The event is fun as well as useful. People who want to take part in the event must pay €15. This money goes to Dutch farmers who have a big problem because they cannot deliver their products to Russia.

Around 2,000 people gathered at Amsterdam's main square to support the farmers.

Man with no legs on a mountain



A 31-year-old man lost both his legs when he was 13. He fell from a train. However, he hasn't given up on life.

He climbed a 2,000 metre-long mountain path. He used two boxes and chains. There were people who supported him. His wife waited for him at the top of the mountain.

This mountain is not his first climb. He also climbed China's five sacred mountains. That means that he is the first person without legs to have done so.

Paintball in Afghanistan



People fight in Afghanistan a lot recently. People there are tired of conflict and violence in their country. One man opened a paintball club to help people ease their pain.

The aim of the game is to take the flag of the other team. You, of course, use the paintball guns, but there is no killing or suffering. It is a friendly game, and it brings people together and helps them.

Paintball centres have sprung up in Kabul recently, and they are getting popular among the teenagers.

Yak polo in Pakistan



Every year in Pakistan, people hold an interesting festival. It takes place nearly 3,000 feet (which is almost 4 km) above sea level.

The major attraction of this festival is a sport called yak polo. It is like regular polo, but the players ride on yaks, not on horses. A yak is a big animal which looks like a hairy cow.

Many people in this area of Pakistan never travel outside the region. They are unfamiliar with things like electricity, hospitals or even clean drinking water.

Japanese black burger



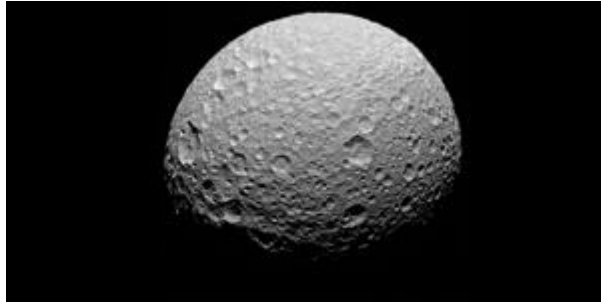
An international chain of fast food restaurants introduced something special in Japan. It is a burger, but it is completely black.

The buns of the burger have bamboo charcoal powder in them, the meat is darkened with black pepper, and the barbecue sauce has squid ink in it. Wow!

So, what does it taste like? One happy eater said that it would go well with rice.

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Saturn's moon Mimas



Scientists have some new information about Saturn's icy moon Mimas. The moon is 400 miles in diameter. The experts studied it and came to the conclusion that something "isn't right".

There are actually two possibilities for this. Either the moon's core is shaped like a rugby ball, or it contains a liquid water ocean.

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Dolphin is born



A dolphin gave birth to her second calf at a theme park in California. The baby weighed 40 pounds (18kg). The newborn dolphin is the 80th successfully-born dolphin at the centre.

Trainers and vets said that the mother and her baby are in good health, and they are bonding and swimming together. The vets will continue to watch the two 24/7 for the next few weeks.

The dolphin's first calf was born in 2009.

Museum of Pablo Picasso



Pablo Picasso was born in 1881 in Spain, but he spent most of his life in France. He died in 1973. A museum with more than 5000 of the artist's paintings, sculptures, prints and personal archives re-opened in Paris.

A 17th-century mansion contains the museum. The renovation cost about 52 million euros and it tripled the size of the exhibition space. People expect one million visitors to the museum every year. The renovation of this building took five years.

Lava in Hawaii



Lava which began to flow from a Hawaiian volcano on June 27th is coming close to a village. People are getting ready to evacuate their homes.

The lava flow is moving at about 10-15 yards per hour (9-14 metres per hour). Its edge is about 40 metres wide and it can destroy homes in its path.

This volcano has been erupting since 1983. Most lava from this eruption flowed south, but it flowed to the northeast in the past two years.

Line dancing record



China broke another Guinness World Record. Twenty-five thousand, seven hundred and three people line danced. 17,000 people in Atlanta set the previous world record in 2007.

Elsewhere in Shanghai, people tried to smash the title for the most people to eat breakfast in bed. In London, there was the largest meeting of people who dressed as penguins. And in France, dancers broke the record for the largest number of can-can kicks in 30 seconds.

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