

THE COURCHEVEL ENQUIRER

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quoi de neuf chez les Rosbifs

The Injury issue



Nic(Jump) from the outside she looks perfectly normal. But inside she's a bag of broken bones

Some final notes from the injured editor

I know I've always considered myself a trend setter but this is ridiculous. Ever since I broke my leg there has been a steady stream of punters and seasonnaires ending up in the doctors reception areas. Obviously after seeing my handsomely graphitised leg cast and my dextrous use of crutches everyone has been falling over themselves to join the cripple wagon.

Unfortunately by Wednesday I will be just one of the crowd again when the doctors finally cuts it off, the cast that is not my leg. Darling you know a broken leg is just so last month...

All in all my injury, compared to Nic's, has been fairly painless and the only inconvenience has been the painful insertion of a hypodermic into my stomach. With only 4 days left my spare tyre is looking rather black a blue from being daily spiked.

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A Broken Jump girl

Nic(Jump) on the front page! Without her breasts exposed! Fully clothed! What's going on? Nic falls victim to one of those crazed out of control skier and breaks her collar bone (**x-ray page 3**). After a initial period of self "medication" in the form of copious glasses of brandy at various bars it became clear that there was a more serious problem than just some bruising. The errant skier was in fact **Chris(bum)** who out of a crazed sense of guilt is now acting as "care assistant" to Nic. Performing all those duties that are out of her reach.



My pre-breakfast prick for the last month

THE SURGEON GENERAL WARNS

Doing ski seasons can be highly addictive, can seriously damage your sanity, result in a general lack of sleep, makes your arse bigger, increase the chances of getting a blow job in the skidoo hut outside Kalico and waking up next to a complete stranger.

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The Green meany cometh

Surprisingly **Greg(Ski Higher)** entry this week is not accident related. No hospital, no concussion just a very loud Oakley one-piece ski suit.

Ski fashion etiquette dictates that such apparel is reserved for those who can not only talk the talk but also walk the walk. Luckily this includes Greg who shows off his latest green romper suit on the slopes. Originally designed for someone with longer legs, Greg does a good impression of Toulouse-Lautrec. His legs are much longer than they look and his crotch is about a foot higher than the crotch of the suit.



Greg, He so hot right now

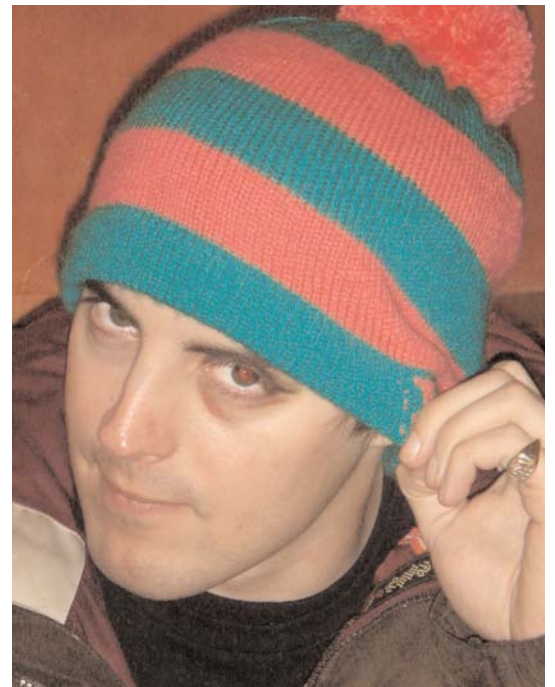
A history of domestic violence

Our first case of domestic abuse this season sees **Benny(Skival)** on the receiving end of **Jess(Jump)** anger. Cheating his black eye behind one of his hand made beanies only reinforces the gravity of the injury. Apparently the "his and hers" hand towels weren't correctly aligned which resulted in him "falling off his snowboard". Benny defended Jess saying it was all his own fault and that he should have taken more care. Benny is looking to moving into a special shelter for battered accountants.



The Kitchen is a dangerous place

Forget downtown Bagdad or Beirut at midnight it's generally believed that the kitchen is the most dangerous place in the world to spend time. No wonder so many accidents happen there. **Caroline** had just finished cooking a beef roast when she prepared to carve up. As she drew the knife over the steal she was distracted just long enough for the knife to sever an artery in her hand. In a scene similar to something you might find in a Powder White chalet but with a slightly higher IQ the blood started to fly. Luckily Caroline's guests include expert consultants from the medical profession who quickly stopped the bleeding. Strangely this didn't put everyone off their main course and they continued eating but it did mean that one of the guests had the unenviable task of carving. Now she has seven stitches to remind her of her carving skills I'm sure she will be more careful in the future.



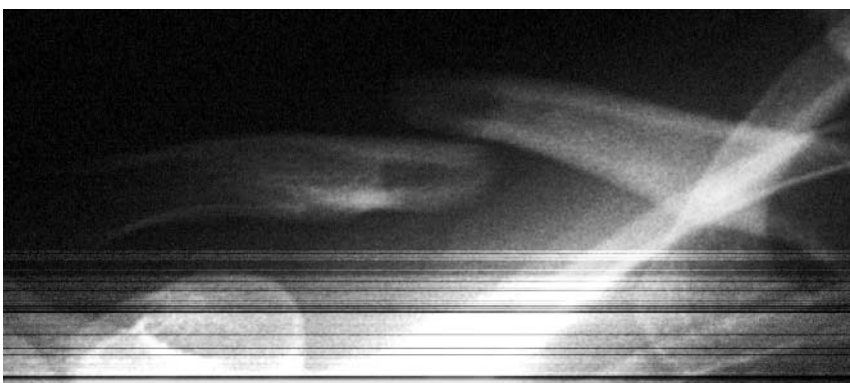


Bin, Jumps new member of staff takes up the slack after Nic's injury

I thought I would have one last dig of the French healthcare system. Now generally compared to my experience of the good old NHS my trip down to Moutiers was like coming into the 21 century. No leeches and hot pokers.

My only criticism is the in resort service. Considering most visits to Dr Blanc and Dr Pepin concern broken bones or torn ligaments it's strange where their surgeries are located in relation to the pharmacy. Both are quite a distance with plenty of obstacles in between.

12 years ago when I broke the ball joint in my shoulder after being diagnosed, and despite being in pain, I was then given a prescription and told to fill it out at the pharmacy and return with the various slings and pain killers. After carefully traversing the busy



Nic's broken clavicle x-ray - ouch



JAMES says*

“When skiing moguls, If you're amply endowed like Tristan (the piston) make sure everthing is secured or risk bruising your trouser equipment”

WHY? Because he's a BASI ski instructor and he has the id card to prove it.

**The enquirer doesn't support or condone anything that James says.*

“Beauty may be skin deep, but ugly goes clear to the bone.” Redd Foxx.

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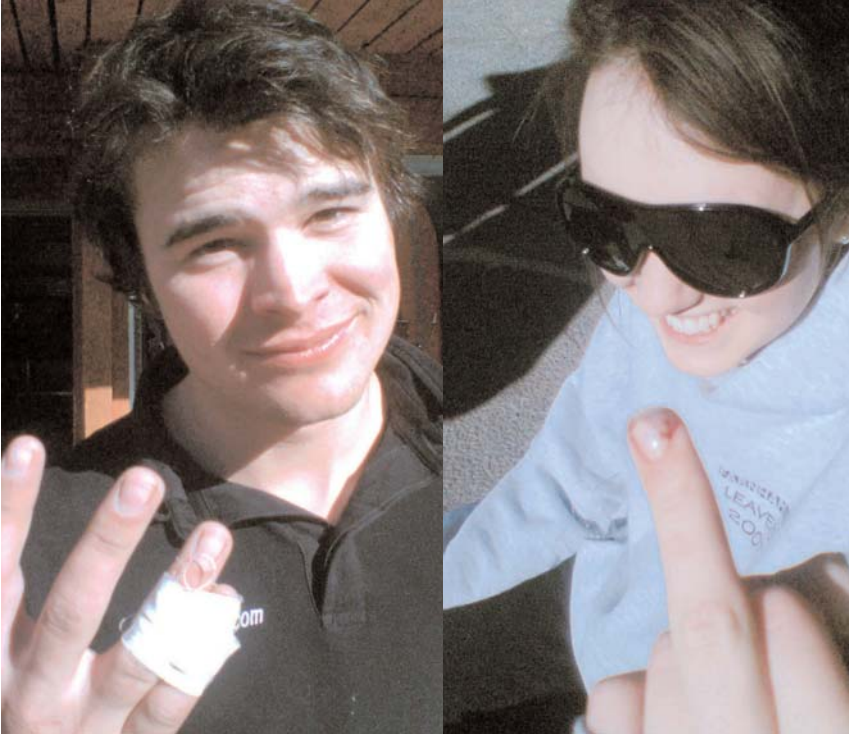
Yes! it is as big and painful as it looks

Croisette I returned unscathed. A month ago after being diagnosed with a broken leg, albeit only a broken fibular, I was asked if I could make it to the pharmacy to pick up the plaster, bandages and paracetamol. Even though I came into the surgery with a pair of crutches the rest of resort still had a good covering of snow and ice it made me think the request was slightly sadistic in a sort of krypton factor meets the crystal maze meets endurance way. Unless he was trying to break the other one at the same time. Luckily I had **Jen(Ski Higher)**, my "wife", in reception who ran the errand on my behalf. Anyway it made me thing why one (or both) of the doctors aren't located right next to the pharmacy. That way no trips would be required. But that would too easy wouldn't it.

Season Events Calendars

Those of you who were expecting a relaxing first week of the season should think again. Almost every day of the week we have some event.

Wed 19th March - Boss des Bosses, Chamonix
Wed 26th March - 3 Valley Rally, Kalico
Wed 9th April - End of Season Ball (provisional)
Sat 20th April - Season ends



Tom(Ski Higher) shows off his latest wound

Zoe(Skival) flips me the bird to show me her injury.

Danger in the workplace

Over the years working for **Simon Hooper** in Ski Higher has had its share of risks. Mainly from Simon Hooper who, from memory, has injured a fair number of his staff. The latest casualty is Tom who broke his finger after the fooling around escalated and a ski was launched in his direction.

Another person who shouldn't be allowed near sharp objects is **Zoe(Skival)**. In resort for only a week and already her fingernail is showing the results of a wayward kitchen knife.

Other honourable mentions.

Former 1850 private chalet girl, **Jules**, is suffering from a fractured eye socket. Scott Dunn beauty therapist managed to slip outside Kalico breaking her leg in four places. She recently returned from Moutiers where ample amounts of metalwork were inserted.

Season Quotes

"Do you want to eat my home made vash?"

Harri(Jump) makes an offer few men could resist.

"Short and Baggy"

Probably the most apt description of **Greg(Ski Higher)**.

Right to reply

If you disagree or feel you have been wronged by anything that is written on this sheet I offer you the right to reply. As long as its not obscene or overly offensive I will print it word for word.

And Finally



MUPPET OF THE SEASON

Every season I hear of someone who makes the mistake of putting the wrong sort of fuel into their car. In France diesel is called Gasol which could confuse some people. Despite the fact that fuel filler flaps have suitably visible warning stickers.

James(TJ's) is the first I've heard this season to put petrol into a diesel car which begs the question is this the first time he's actually filled up the van?

Putting petrol into a diesel car just requires draining the system and flushing it through to clean it out.

On the other hand putting diesel in a petrol engine is MUCH more of a problem, (which is why the nassel is much larger and is harder to fit into a petrol car) mainly because you instantly wreck the catalytic converter.

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Courchevel 3 Day Weather Forecast for 2000 m altitude, issued (local time): 06 am 23 Feb 2008
Weather Summary: A dusting of new snow.

Freeze-thaw conditions (max 4°C on Sun morning, min -4°C on Sat night). Wind will be generally light.

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