

Letter BOX

Our lives, your lives... that's life!

Lily's dolphin friend



Summer surprise

With my 40th looming, and our 10th wedding anniversary, my hubby Steve and I went to Florida. Our girls, Lily, 11, and Rosie, 9, had always wanted to swim with dolphins so we went to Discovery Cove. Later, we visited Busch Gardens and the Kennedy Space Center. And then Steve surprised me with a camera I'd always wanted and gave me



Us as newly-wets

my friends had all been in on it. It was such an elaborate plan. We later tied the knot by Lake Ontario. I'll never forget Joey's underwater proposal. Wat-er man!

Alisha Perron, 29, Camden, North London

Heart & Sole

Scoping up my goggles, flippers and mask, I shot my boyfriend Joey a concerned glance.

'I feel sick,' he groaned. 'I'm going to have to bail.'

Both keen scuba divers, Joey and I had planned a diving trip with pals. We'd travelled to Canada's east coast so we could indulge in our passion. Only, with Joey poorly, I set off alone.

When I got there, a friend handed me a treasure map. 'This is for you,' he said. 'It'll make sense soon.'

Once I was underwater, I followed some glowsticks to reach the 'X' on the map. I thought my friends must have been playing some sort of game. But as I neared the spot, Joey swam into view!

He pointed to a treasure chest and out popped a gigantic ring. Then, he unveiled a sign: *Of all the fish in the sea, you are the only one for me. Ali, will you marry me?*

I nodded like crazy and we hugged each other at 15ft down. It was surreal but amazing!

Back on dry land, he told me he'd faked being poorly and

an eternity ring. It was the trip of a lifetime. *Nicola Partridge, Chatham, Kent*

Hair's the issue

A group of friends were discussing our hair when one pal, Paula, revealed she was thinking of

having her hair dyed back to its original colour.

'The only problem is,' she told us, 'I can't remember what it is!'

Roxie Sumner, Muswell Hill, North London

Shady lady

This is my cat Misty stretching out and enjoying the shade on one of the hottest days of the year.

She is 13, so needs all the rest she can get.

Emma Comer, Taunton, Somerset

Little acorns

I read an article on urban trees that intrigued me. I then remembered the five-foot-tall acorn tree in a large pot in the garden that

my daughter Lacey, seven, had grown from a seed!

So we went to the council and asked if we could plant it somewhere.

They put us in touch with builders on a local estate.

My daughter's tree now has pride of place in a recreational area in the middle of the estate.

It will be lovely to keep an eye on it over the years!

Gina Hughes, Broxbourne, Herts

Swim team

Here's my son Abrey, four, and daughter Bunnie, five, in Orlando - our first family trip abroad. They're both my bathing beauties!

Gemma Davies, Gloucester



Too pool for school

'I scuba-do'



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