

‘t Swannetje weekend edition

Your latest news and Juiciest Gossip

Land in sight!

Right before we reach the Azores after a long voyage, we celebrate with an extra long edition of ‘t Swannetje!

This special weekend edition is full of all the important dynamics on the ship, including the ever-changing economics of noodles and the exciting wedding that took place this evening.

Our next edition will focus on our time on the Azores. But, until that time, there will be enough to read in this week’s special edition.

Fare thee well!

-Koen



A Twisted Wedding

Written by Charlotte and Caatje

Olivier’s love letter to Koen’s Girlfriend

(in dutch)

Kaatfanaat

Wie goed kijkt, wie er op die sneeuwscooter gaat. Hoeft niet lang na te denken dat daar Kaat gaat. Zo snel, zo verblindend, zo knap, zo verslindend, dat ze Koen inmaakt. Zelfs zo mooi, dat is iets dat me raakt. Het is zeker dat het over Kaat gaat omdat zij echt iets van het leven maakt. Van hardlopen op de Noordpool tot kamp vaas voor de lol. Alles vindt ze fun, daarom dat ik Koen, Kaat zo gun. Koen is een ander verhaal. Zijn verhaal gaat zeker viraal. Deze genadeloze Tarzan kan er wel wat van. Deze man is zo sterk als het maar kan, als een ram, heter dan een snelkookpan, ik ben fan (op zijn Belgisch). Hier eindigt dit gedicht en daarbij mijn plicht.

This weeks Riddle



Marcel, Arre or Jeroen as a kid?

In one of the first nights of our trip, a few trainees and the deckhands (Lobke and Sylvana) were getting to know each other. The conversation turned into a juicy gossip session questions were fired about boys and relationships. We started shipping our only single guy form the crew (our engineer Jarno) left and right. Our first thought was deckhand Laura, but we got told she was taken. We came to the conclusion that Jarno and Sylvana were made a match made in heaven. Laura overheard the conversation, gave Sylvana a blank stare and quickly walked away. So we already thought something was up. There were a lot of jokes made in the following days about our new couple, Jarvana. Sylvana set the challenge to keep the jokes up for the entirety of the trip, which motivated us trainees even more. In the following four weeks dirty jokes were made left and right.

This morning (4th of may) we (Caat and Charlotte) were sitting in Alvaros room with our lovely second mate Jeroen and some teachers. We talked about the missed dinner dates of the day before and we offered to plan it for today. While we were setting up the couples, Jarvana was a no brainer. But it quickly escalated to a big plan. Why not wed them? We gave ourselves the task of preparing a wedding after dinner. We told everybody needed for the plan and kept it a secret from the trainees and our lovely couple. So we started preparing: we made rings out of twisted steel wire, we prepared the speeches we would give to the two, and made a cozy spot for their dinner date and asked our first officer Bart and our captain Alvaro to walk them down aisle. We plotted the plan with our dinner dates Frederique and Laura (both deckhands).

We were sitting at the dinner, with a good view on our lovely couple in their cosy corner decorated with hearts and nice blanket. Sylvana and Laura were looking a little bit suspicious at each other. During dinner the bell rang three times, so the trainees were instructed to gather on the mid deck, setting our plan in motion. Outside we had Koen (teacher) prepared with a red cape around him and a big book, Maaike and Marcel with their instruments to set the mood and Hannah with a camera to capture this lovely moment. Inside we were preparing for the big moment, waiting for our captain, who suddenly had to change. When everyone was complete, Bart started to walk Jarno down the aisle, followed by Ids and Olivier in matching blouses. The we started prepping our bride, with a white bedding sheet as her gown. Alvaro walked the bride down the aisle, followed by us, also in matching outfits.

Koen started the wedding and then we gave the couple the speeches we prepared, to read out loud to each other. After that Koen asked if there were any objections. Suddenly someone raised their hand, leaving everybody confused. Laura stepped forward and said: ‘Jarno, I have loved you for a year now’ , she jumped forward and shared a passionate kiss with Jarno and ran off, leaving everyone shocked. Then we as brides mates, chased them and brought them back to the alter.

Still in shock we handed them the rings and the bridesmaids, Oliver and Ids, started throwing condoms at them while they gave each other another kiss. Then it sunk in that they were the couple, who already had a relationship for over a year. Then the news came out that the crew kept this secret, waiting for the perfect reveal.

Wylde swan half-way quiz

By Julie, Tessel, Sofie, Berber, Margot en Noortje

1. Which sail is still not broken?

a. Mainstay sail

b. Course sail

c. Monkey sail
2. How long was Olivier’s pukebucket hidden under his bed?

a. 3 days

b. 5 days

c. 4 days
3. How many toasties have secretly been made in Fee’s bed?

a. 2 toasties

b. 3 toasties

c. 4 toasties
4. How fast do trainees stand up for the second round of food?

a. Within 3 seconds

b. Within 30 seconds

c. Within half a second
5. How many litres of sweetwater has been used on 30-04?

a. 3000 litres

b. 2000 litres

c. 4000 litres
6. What has been stuck in the toilet?

a. Thé shittypants

b. A jellyfish

c. A little fish

Answers: ccbccb

The (almost) Horta Horoscope

By Kim

<p>Aries Mar 21 – Apr 19</p> <p>Sometimes the shortest way to your destination is not a straight line. Especially with head winds...</p>	<p>Cancer Jun 21 – Jul 22</p> <p>Everyone has emotional moments. It’s ok to cry in the showers... but then you can only cry for 4 minutes a week.</p>	<p>Libra Sep 23 – Oct 22</p> <p>We all doubt ourselves sometimes. In these moments, remember that you are crossing a whole ocean! How cool (and difficult) is that! You can be proud of yourself!</p>	<p>Capricorn Dec 22 – Jan 19</p> <p>It’s the little things that matter... like a Snelle Jelle or a tosti that reminds you of home. But when you will be home in a few weeks, you will miss the food onboard the Wylde Swan! Even the haverhout!</p>
<p>Taurus Apr 20 – May 20</p> <p>It is nice to have some down time to chill and think. A good time to write in your journal, draft letters, or send beautiful postcards to friends and family.</p>	<p>Leo Jul 23 – Aug 22</p> <p>Some people want to be the best, most popular, most successful... But the best is to be like Billy!</p>	<p>Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 21</p> <p>Life is full of surprises. One day it’s just another self-study, the other it’s swimming with sharks, or hiking up a volcano. You never know, you just have to be ready for it!</p>	<p>Aquarius Jan 20 – Feb 18</p> <p>When was the last time you sat down to watch the sunset, or beautiful clouds, or patterns of the waves? Sometimes sitting down and simply looking around is a great way to find inspiration. And maybe spot a dolphin!</p>
<p>Gemini May 21 – Jun 20</p> <p>Impossible to be in two places at the same time! One cannot be both in the galley making cookies and on deck helping with sails. Choose wisely!</p>	<p>Virgo Aug 23 – Sep 22</p> <p>It is easy to get annoyed at people not respecting the rules, or everyone’s space. It is fun to vent and gossip, but in the end we have to be patient with each other! Even THAT person...</p>	<p>Sagittarius Nov 22– Dec 21</p> <p>It’s the journey that matters, not the destination. The real treasures are the friends we make along the way. Still, it would be nice to find a chest full of gold!</p>	<p>Pisces Feb 19– Mar 20</p> <p>Ships on postcards are very pretty. In reality, you now know they have some yucky stuff too! Grease, spills, rust, salt, sewage, puke buckets, even poopbroeks! Doing a dirty jobbie is also part of what makes you a real seaperson.</p>

Gezellie in the Galley
With Floris A and Carmen



Recipe for Apple sauce cake

By Floris Aikema for 50 people

Requirements

- 460 grams of coconut oil
- 800 grams of sugar
- 1 kilogram of flower
- 6 teaspoons of baking powder
- 2 teaspoons of salt
- 4 teaspoons of vanilla extract
- 900 ml of milk
- 4 spoons of lemon juice
- 2 pots of apple sauce

Step-by-step

1. Pre-heat the oven on 170 degrees
2. Mix the sugar and coconut oil in a bowl
3. mix the vanilla, milk and lemon juice in a separate bowl
4. mix the flower, baking powder and salt in a separate bowl
5. Mix it all together
6. Add the apple sauce and mix
7. Put the mix in baking trays, put sliced apples on top
8. Put the baking trays in the oven for 45 minutes
9. Let it rest in the oven for 15 minutes
10. Afterwards let rest out of the oven for 15 minutes

Quote Wall

(in dutch this time)

- Gedeelde smart is dubbele smart -jeroen
- Ik hoef niet te blowen want ik ben al stoned van mezelf - carmen
- Hoop is uitgestelde teleurstelling -bart
- Iedereen strest om de kleine dingen maar je moet gewoon noncha blijven -teije
- Hoe vettiger hoe prettiger -jarno
- Trek dat zeil nou eens aan het ziet er niet uit voor de foto - marcel
- Niet bonken in de bunk -koen
- Leren is twijfelen aan je eigen intelligentie - teije
- Als het mag dan heb ik het gedaan en als het niet mag heb ik het niet gedaan -maaike
- Druk maken is voor compressors -jarno
- Ik heb maar gewoon over het dek geplast -koen
- Welk zeil is dit -hidde in week 4
- Willen jullie elkaar zoenen want dan weten we hoe het moet -Pip&Juun
- Kan je even ergens anders dood gaan olivier (olivier zeeziek) -sterre
- Mijn specialiteit is naaien -sterre
- Zullen we teije op gehoord laten-lucy
- Hier scheiden de jongentjes van de mannen -Caatje
- Jezus wat zijn jullie catfish -lude
- Mijn rijst lijkt ongesteld -teije
- HALLO, Caat is ook een ervaren slurper hoor -juun
- Don't reuse a coil like you won't reuse a condom -sterre
- Ja lude niet zo spetteren -Loïs
- Ik hoop dat je een 3e graads brandwond hebt, op een gegevenmoment doet het niet meer pijn -lobke
- Ik pleeg nog liever zelfmoord dan dat ik met die 2 de mast in ga - caatje
- Kan arre ff sparren -Jeroen
- Goed stoef dit -Jeroen (high aan de drugs)
- Als ik had geweten dat we drugs aan boord hadden dan was dit een hele andere reis voor mij geweest - Koen
- His arm is loes -alvaro
- Wat een kut leven heb je toch als je niet kan lachen -Lude
- Dan ben je letterlijk gewoon te dom om te poepen -ties
- Als je 50 bent is het niet meer leuk, dan heb je huidkanker -olivier
- Waar is je horloge van? Van glas -ids



A small insight into Atlantic economics

By Annika, Dauphine, Julie and Tessel

After recent opening of the Noodle store on board of the Wylde Swan, the stocks underwent big changes. Positions in investing and trading have shifted, so do your research before you buy into the Noodles or Snelle Jelles. This article was written to provide new information on the economics on board.

As we all know, the economics of the Wylde Swan fares well. No food is being lost if it is up to the trainees of the Wylde Swan. Some providers have a lot of Noodles and Cup-a-soup, and some, like Fee, have a lot of Snelle Jelles. And people have been trading all over the Mainhold to get a stand in the economy.

If we take a look in history, we can see that at the start of the trip some people brought none, and some people brought a LOT of food. This put some providers at the high ground before the start of the welfare of the economy.

In week one, many trainees started on their storage, with the thought that they would just enjoy their sweets until the Azores. But in week two it became clear that that wasn't the case. Hunger between meals motivated the trading to start. At first people shared snacks, but with the trading, friends turned on friends. Nothing could be gained without anything in return. Even Dirty Jobbies were being offered for snacks.

In week 2 and week 3 Noodles were goldmines. A week later the noodles crashed. The ship opened their own Noodle store, for people to grab food at their late watches. What we didn't foresee was that it would change the tradings of the mainhold. Now the limited chocolate, cookies and sweets are the new hotshot. Products like trekbars, liga apple bars, marsen and oreos are popular for the trainees. We also recently ran out of chips on the entire boat, which disappointed the whole group.

We spoke to Bente, a former noodle provider, who was victim to the stock shift. She told us: 'I stopped trading, because most people suddenly lost interest. And also mainly because the variation of the products of the mainhold decreased. As time went on, more people started eating their favourite products, so none of the things I like are left.' This brought a new insight on the types of products in the mainhold. We are losing sweets and nice foods to time, and most that is left are plain mueslibars.

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After some days of research, it became clear that most people traded quantity for quality. Caat is an example of this. She traded multiple mueslibars for only a quarter chocolate bar in a time of chocolate desperation. But there are also consumers that do the exact opposite, like Ties, who trades his bars for borrelnootjes and other fulfilling foods.

Some examples of trades of the mainhold are:
Pip traded 1 pack of nuts and 1 nougat bar for 1 Snelle Jelle, which she then traded again for 1 muesli bar and nougat. Lobke, an active member, made a trade of 1 Snelle Jelle for 3 oreos, 2 pieces of chewing gum for 1 caramel bar. And lastly Fee, the master of Snelle Jelles, traded 2 packs of noodles and 6 muesli bars for only 4 apple liga cookies. And of course she made a lot of other deals with her never ending Snelle Jelle supply.

As ending of this article: We advise people to invest in the liga apple bars, they seem to be worth at least double their seize. Also Calvé peanut butter seems to be quite popular. And NEVER invest in the Cup-a-soups, they are worthless and being given away for free. But most importantly keep in mind that when we reach the Azores, most old products will be worth nothing, and supplies will be restocked, trade when you still can.