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13860.81	-204.01	-1.45

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+5.08	Computacenter	523	-2.70
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+4.01	John Laing Infra	113	-2.42
+3.58	3i Infra	131	-2.30
+3.54	BTG	376	-2.08
+3.27	Bovis Homes Gp	755	-1.95
+3.08	National Exprss	268	-1.94
+3.04	Centamin	46	-1.91

### EXCHANGE RATES

Rate	Country	Rate
1.6173	New Zealand (\$)	1.8317
1.5576	Norway (kr)	9.1087
28.11	Philippines (ps)	59.41
8.4346	Poland (zl)	4.4884
9.5524	Singapore (\$S)	1.8608
1.1344	Sth Africa (rnd)	14.96
11.49	Sth Korea (wn)	1487.00
321.22	Sweden (kr)	9.9465
90.51	Switzerland (fr)	1.4034
5.1242	Taiwan (\$)	40.59
148.03	Thailand (baht)	45.18
4.8589	Turkey (lira)	3.0612
18.57	USA (US\$)	1.4903

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### BUSINESS

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Evening Post

## Expert's warning over inheritances

A LEGAL expert has warned that steps should be taken to protect children's inheritance ahead of proposed changes to the law surrounding inheritance tax.

Kathryn Harwood, head of Wills & Estate Planning at Lancashire law firm Napthens, warns that the Liberal Democrats are set to consider, at their autumn conference, extending the period which must elapse after a gift is made for it to become exempt from IHT from seven to 15 years.

## Top firm backing golf tournament

STOCKBROKERS James Brearley & Sons are again the main sponsor for The Professional Golfers Association Lancashire Open tournament being held on the September 9 and 10 at Blackpool North Shore Golf Club.

David Hannis, Director of James Brearley & Sons said, "This is the 14th consecutive year we have been the event sponsor. We are delighted that over the last 13 years, the event has grown from strength to strength."

## More pensioners looking for work

ONE in 10 pensioners is either working or looking for a job, official figures have shown.

Some 9.2 million residents of England and Wales were aged 65 and over in 2011, an increase of nearly one million from a decade earlier, according to data from the latest census.

Ten per cent of them were economically active, defined as either being in employment or seeking work, including 158,000 people aged 75 or over.

# Tarun's hi-tech guide to history

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A LANCASTER businessman is helping to bring the former home of writer, artist and philosopher John Ruskin into the 21st century.

Former Lancaster University student and technology entrepreneur Tarun Sainani has developed a mobile application for Coniston museum Brantwood.

Tarun, who runs WT InfoTech from the university's Lancaster Environment Centre, has developed a free "augmented reality" app called Brantwood.

It helps to convey John Ruskin's ideas in the form of an audio-visual guide inside and outside the house.

By just pointing their iPhone or iPad to features within the museum, visitors can experience Ruskin's work, ideas and quotes brought to life in a unique, fun and



**HISTORY:** Tarun Sainani

immersive way.

Tarun said: "The heritage of John Ruskin has had a profound influence on the thought process of humanity over many decades. We are living in times where it is cru-

cial to communicate his ideas and experiences to the digitally savvy younger generation.

"This was my motivation to create an 'augmented reality' experience at Brantwood and I am able to apply the theoretical knowledge which I gained while studying two interdisciplinary Masters degrees at Lancaster University.

Brantwood's Director Howard Hull said: "We want visitors to find the John Ruskin who speaks to them.

"There is something of the treasure hunt about this system which excites enquiry. We also want mobile technology to help people to connect with things that are inspirational and life changing.

"Ruskin did the same in his day - as a young man he was at the forefront of photography."

Tarun and his team are now working to develop the app further.