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Presenter: Katie Derham works at HQ

Stabbing horror in front of ITN workers

A MAN today walked into the ITN offices and slashed himself with a knife in an apparent suicide bid. Workers in the packed reception area watched as the man, in his fifties, calmly rolled up his shirt before stabbing himself in the chest

BY ALISTAIR FOSTER
 and stomach. He was taken to hospital with serious injuries after a receptionist called an ambulance. One worker described the man's attack on himself at 10.40am in the broadcaster's Gray's Inn Road head-

quarters, where newsreaders such as lunchtime presenter Katie Derham, Alastair Stewart and Jon Snow are based. The employee said: "It was quite scary, people were really worried that he had killed himself. The place was

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Prince's biscuit deal beats credit crunch

PRINCE CHARLES'S organic food company Duchy Originals was today rescued by Waitrose in a multi-million pound deal.

The partnership will allow the prince's business to resume giving money to charity after two years of battling the recession.

Duchy Originals'
Cost a packet: Waitrose has bought Duchy biscuits

BY GEORGINA LITTLEJOHN

profits fell by 80 per cent to less than £60,000 in 2008 and failed to improve this year as cash-strapped shoppers shunned premium produce.

Charles's biscuits and sausages will now be produced and sold exclusively by Waitrose. It plans to double the size of the new "Duchy Originals From

Waitrose" range from 200 to 500 items. The prince will maintain a "key hands-on supervisory role".

Duchy Originals has charitable status and hands over all its profits to its parent trust, the Prince's Charities Foundation, which distributes money to more than 130 charities. Royal aides said Charles was "delighted" by today's deal.

Waitrose managing director Mark Price called Duchy "a great brand, which upholds quintessentially British values".



World at a glance

Plane hijacker says his bomb was 'a juice can I put lights on'



"Divine revelation": Flores

● A BOLIVIAN religious fanatic hijacked a plane in Mexico City by claiming a can of juice was a bomb. Special forces police stormed the jet and released all 103 passengers and crew unharmed. After the bible-carrying hijacker said he had accomplices, police handcuffed three other men, who were later released. The hijacker was named as Jose Flores, 44, who claimed he had had a divine revelation. As Aeromexico Flight 576 was landing in Mexico City after flying from Cancun, he stood up and showed his "bomb", which he later described as "a juice can... with some little lights I attached", to a flight attendant. He ordered the pilot to circle the city but the plane did not have enough fuel. Flores said yesterday's date — 9/9/09 — was the satanic number 666 turned upside down and added: "Christ is coming soon".

'I paid women to sleep with Silvio'

● ITALIAN prime minister Silvio Berlusconi has been accused of sleeping with two women who were provided for him by a businessman trying to curry favour. Gianpaolo Tarantini told police he procured 30 women for Mr Berlusconi for 18 parties over five months last year.

Two were paid to have sex with him. Mr Berlusconi has denied any impropriety. He told his party's youth wing yesterday: "I think Italians recognise themselves in me. I am one of them. I love football, I smile, I love others and, above all else, beautiful women."

Picture of the day



Having a ball: a member of eco art activists the House Of Yes demonstrates the "Survivaball", a mock product sold by a consortium of the West's largest corporations to enable survival after environmental catastrophe.

Five pupils killed in school stampede

● FIVE school children were killed when hundreds of pupils in a school staircase panicked and set off a stampede in New Delhi today. At least 24 students were injured. Five were in a critical condition in

hospital. The stampede occurred early in the school day as students aged eight to 16 arrived for an exam. It was set off by rumours of an electrical short-circuit in the school, it was reported.

Idol fan Ellen is its new judge

● CHAT show host Ellen DeGeneres has revealed she is the shock choice to be the new American Idol judge. In a video clip posted on her website, the comic announced she will be replacing Paula Abdul to sit alongside Simon Cowell on the judging panel, despite having no musical background. The Idol fanatic said: "I'm so excited. I've not missed one episode of that show. I love music, as you know. Hopefully I'm the people's point of view."



Top job: DeGeneres

So fast, and she didn't cheetah all...

● A WORLDWIDE speed record has been set by a cheetah called Sarah, who covered 100 metres in 6.13 seconds. Running on a course specially designed for Cincinnati Zoo, Sarah eclipsed the previous

record of 6.19 seconds. She was so fast that she caught up with the lure that was encouraging her to hit such high speeds. Sarah is now officially the world's fastest land animal.

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