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Welcome to the March 28th, 2018 Edition of THE REVENGE HUMP DAY!

First off I was highly pleased that Denny Marshall sent me some original pen and ink artwork in for this week's missive. I will kind of salt it around the Ezine and I hope that you will enjoy it as much as I do.

SHE WHO MUST BE OBEYED seems pretty pleased with her new ride. But Beth, Destroyer of Worlds, has also taken notice of it. She told Nana that in two years she will be 16 and that she gets Nana's new ride. Alexander the grape piped in and said that in two years Beth gets his old ride, the Rogue, and he gets Nana's new ride because he is the oldest. Thank God Tristan is only 7 or I would never withstand the onslaught of my grandchildren.

Spring time is just around the corner here in the Big Nooga and I can't wait. There is something regenerating about the coming of spring. That is if you for get all the pollen that comes with it. But, I can forgive that when the trees turn green with their new coating of leaves and the smell of the air is wonderful. Also when the winter overcast clouds dissipate and we start getting some lasting sunlight. Yes, I am ready for spring.

So on that "Wistful note", why don't y'all sit back and relax because here's the best in gossip, jokes and science for your reading pleasure!

### *Uncle Timmy*

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Re. "foreskin facials"

From: "Brayman, Frank"

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Well, we all knew that Hollywood liberals are mostly dickheads.

**Denny Marshall's Contribution -**

**Eyes's All over**

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From: "Mike Waldrip" [waldripk@gmail.com](mailto:waldripk@gmail.com)

## CONCEALED CARRY PERFECTLY EXPLAINED

A Florida woman stops alligator attack using a small beretta pistol. Another good reason to have a concealed weapons permit. \*This is a story of self-control and marksmanship by a brave, cool-headed woman with a small pistol against a fierce predator.\* \*What's the smallest caliber that you would trust to protect yourself?\* \*Here's her story in her own words:\*

"While out walking along the edge of a pond just outside my house in 'The Villages' with my soon to be ex-husband, discussing property settlement and other divorce issues, we were surprised by a huge 12-ft. alligator which suddenly emerged from the murky water and began charging us with its large jaws wide open. She must have been protecting her nest because she was extremely aggressive."

"If I had not had my little Beretta .25 caliber pistol with me, I would not be here today!"

"Just one shot to my estranged husband's knee cap was all it took. The gator got him easily, and I was able to escape by just walking away at a brisk pace. The amount I saved in lawyer's fees was really incredible, and his life insurance was a real big bonus!"

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APHORISMS ("A short, pointed sentence that expresses a wise or clever observation or a general truth")

1. The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts tomorrow.
2. Money will buy a fine dog but only kindness will make him wag his tail.
3. If you don't have a sense of humor you probably don't have any sense at all.
4. Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.
5. A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.
6. How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?
- 7 Business conventions are important because they demonstrate how many people a company can operate without.
8. Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?
9. Stroke a cat and you will have a permanent job.
10. No one has more driving ambition than the teenage boy who wants to buy a car.

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11. There are no new sins; the old ones just get more publicity.
12. There are worse things than getting a call for a wrong number at 4 a.m - for example, it could be the right number.
13. No one ever says "It's only a game" when their team is winning.
14. I've reached the age where 'happy hour' is a nap.
15. Be careful about reading the fine print - there's no way you're going to like it.
16. The trouble with bucket seats is that not everybody has the same size bucket.
17. Do you realize that, in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with tattoos?
18. Money can't buy happiness but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Cadillac than in a Ford.
19. After 60, if you don't wake up aching in every joint, you're probably dead.
20. Always be yourself because the people that matter don't mind and the ones that mind don't matter.
21. Life isn't tied with a bow but it's still a gift.

And REMEMBER....

"POLITICIANS AND DIAPERS SHOULD BE CHANGED OFTEN AND FOR THE SAME REASON"

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OLDIE BUT A GOODIE!

HALF BAKED OBITUARY

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday in Minneapolis of a yeast infection and traumatic complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71. Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin.

Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The gravesite was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded.

Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not regarded as a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes.

Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and served as a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife, Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 350 for about 20 minutes.

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#### NEIGHBORLY HELP

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?"

The little silver haired lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle.

She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table.

He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster."

He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then..."

he said with a deep sigh .....

"Let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."

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#### LESS THAN BRILLIANT RESPONSES TO TEACHER'S QUESTIONS

What is vibration? "There are good vibrations and bad vibrations. Good vibrations were discovered in the 1960s"

Briefly explain what hard water is. "Ice"

Why would living close to a mobile phone mast cause ill health? "You might walk into it."

What is the meaning of the word 'vericose?' "Close by"

Explain the phrase 'free press.' When your mom irons your trousers for you.

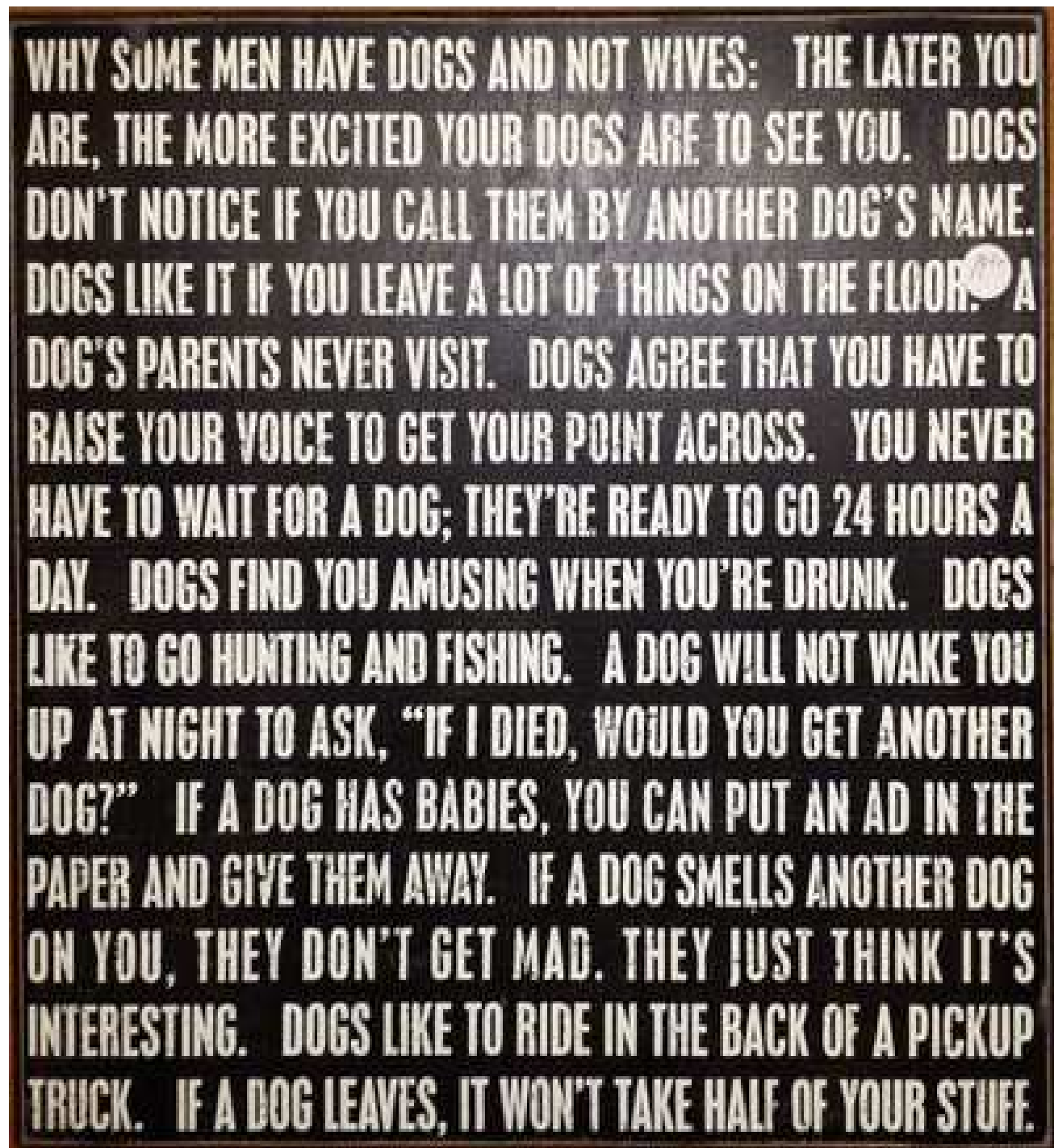
Name one measure which can be put in place to avoid river flooding in times of extensive rainfall (e.g. in Mississippi). "Flooding in areas such as the Mississippi may be avoided by placing a number of big dames into the river."

What did Mahatma Ghandhi and Genghis Khan have in common? "Unusual names."

What is a stand-alone computer system? "It doesn't come with a chair."

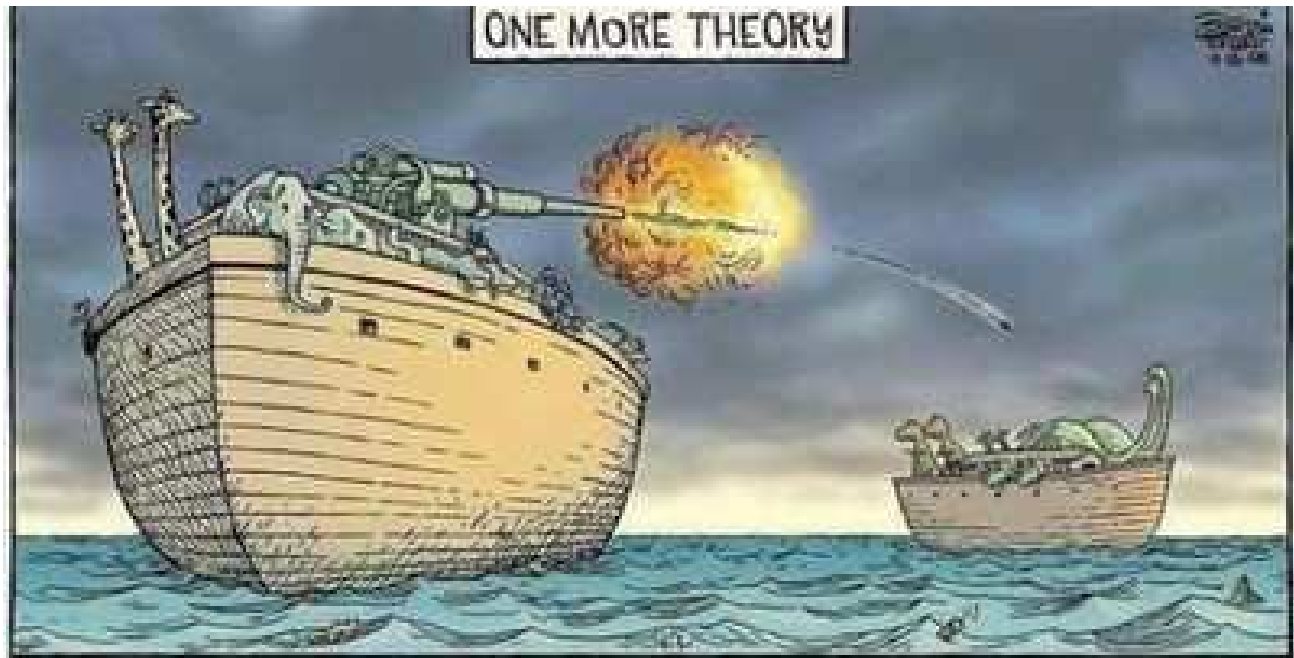
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JUST SAYIN...DOGS

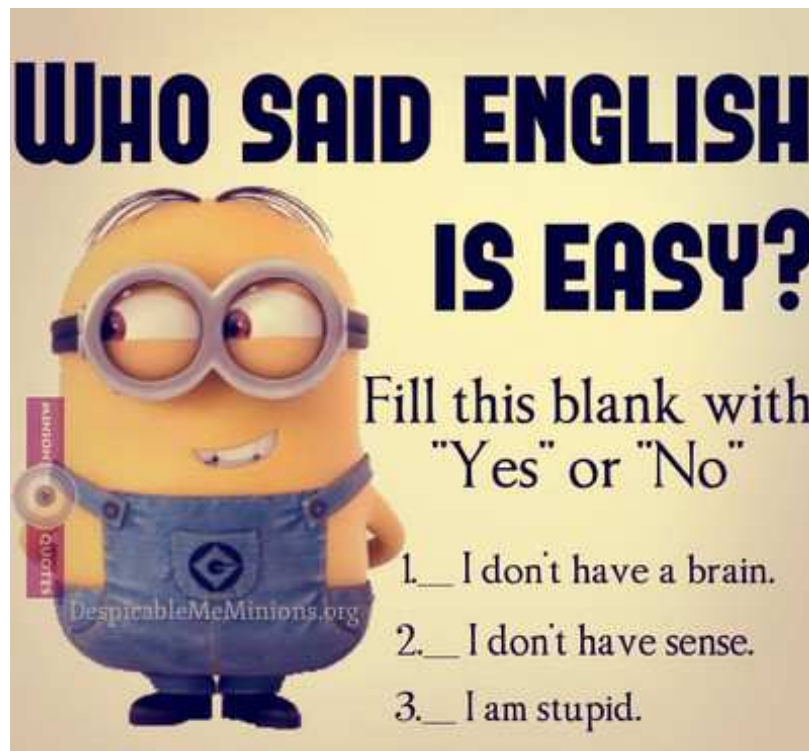


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EVOLUTION...ONE MORE THEORY



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## **COSTCO DOCTOR**

One day, in line at the company cafeteria, Joe says to Mike, "My elbow hurts like hell. I guess I'd better see a doctor."

"Listen, you don't have to spend that kind of money," Mike replies. "There's a diagnostic computer down at Costco. Just give it a urine sample and the computer will tell you what's wrong and what to do about it. It takes ten seconds and costs ten dollars. A lot cheaper than a doctor."

So, Joe deposits a urine sample in a small jar and takes it to Costco. He deposits ten dollars and the computer lights up and asks for the urine sample. He pours the sample into the slot and waits.

Ten seconds later, the computer ejects a printout:

"You have tennis elbow. Soak your arm in warm water and avoid heavy activity. It will improve in two weeks. Thank you for shopping at Costco."

That evening, while thinking how amazing this new technology was, Joe began wondering if the computer could be fooled. He mixed some tap water, a stool sample from his dog, urine samples from his wife and daughter, and a sperm sample from himself for good measure.

Joe hurries back to Costco, eager to check the results. He deposits ten dollars, pours in his concoction, and awaits the results.

The computer prints the following:

1. Your tap water is too hard. Get a water softener. (Aisle 9)
2. Your dog has ringworm. Bathe him with anti-fungal shampoo. (Aisle 7)
3. Your daughter has a cocaine habit. Get her into rehab.
4. Your wife is pregnant. Twins. They aren't yours. Get a lawyer.
5. If you don't stop playing with yourself, your elbow will never get better.

Thank you for shopping at Costco!

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From: Douglas Dudash

**NOW THIS IS HIGH TECH! DON'T MESS WITH OLD FOLKS!**

Dearest Dad,

I am coming home to get married soon, so get your check book out. I'm in love with a boy who is far away from me. As you know, I am presently living in Australia ... and he lives in

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Scotland . We met on a dating website, became friends on Facebook, had long chats on Whatsapp. He proposed to me on Skype, and now we've had two months of a relationship through Viber. My beloved and favorite Dad, I need your blessing, good wishes, and a really big wedding. Lots of love and thanks.

Your favorite daughter, Amy

My Dearest Amy, Like Wow!

Really? Cool! I suggest you two get married on Twitter, have a honeymoon on Tango, buy your kids on Amazon, and pay for it all through PayPal. And when you get fed up with this new husband, sell him on eBay..

Love, Dad

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From: "Jerry Tollett" <haleja@epbfi.com>

VIDEO: Christian comedy...James sent me the link...it is just too cute.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3lp0z981iM>

Mark Lowry - Official Video for 'The Home Depot/An Atheist's Faith/Mary Raising Jesus (Comedy/Live)', available now!

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YOU JUST CAN'T MAKE THIS STUFF UP!

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**SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICIAN SAYS AUSTRALIA IS A 'RACIST COUNTRY', FARMERS SHOULD 'LEAVE THE KEYS' WHEN THEY GO**

SOUTH Africa's radical opposition leader says white farmers should leave for "racist" Australia, but insists "we are not killing them".

Frank Chung@franks\_chung, news.com.au, MARCH 22, 2018

<http://www.news.com.au/finance/economy/world-economy/south-african-politician-says-australia-is-a-racist-country-farmers-should-leave-the-keys-when-they-go/news-story/e98607c4fa66d30d9b2731aa30e2a956>

IF WHITE farmers want to flee for a "racist country" like Australia they should leave the keys to their houses and tractors behind, the head of South Africa's radical Marxist opposition party says.

VIDEO AT THE WEBSITE TELLING SOME OF THE STORIES OF THE WHITE FARMERS.

But Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) leader Julius Malema, who recently declared his party was "cutting the throat of whiteness", denied white farmers were being killed. "We



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don't know violence, we know negotiations," Malema told a packed Human Rights Day rally in Mpumalanga Stadium on Wednesday.

"And we are very robust in our engagement sometimes. A racist country like Australia says: 'The white farmers are being killed in South Africa.' We are not killing them. Now Australia says: 'Malema, EFF want to kill white farmers, they must come to Australia.'

"If they want to go, they must go. They must leave the keys to their tractors because we want to work the land, they must leave the keys to their houses because we want to stay in those houses. They must leave everything they did not come here with in South Africa and go to Australia."

His comments came as Australian Home Affairs Minister Peter Dutton stared down criticism from "crazy lefties" as he pushed on with plans to bring white South African farmers to Australia.

"They don't realise how completely dead they are to me," Mr Dutton told Sydney radio station 2GB on Thursday.

### **'ONLY RACISTS WENT TO AUSTRALIA'**

Malema, who was convicted of hate speech in 2011 for singing the apartheid-era revolutionary song Shoot the Boer, Kill the Farmer and in 2016 told supporters he was "not calling for the slaughter of white people, at least for now", said farmers should "leave quietly".

"We're too busy," he said. "Don't make noise, because you will irritate us. Go to Australia. It is only racists who went to Australia when Mandela got out of prison. It is only racists who went to Australia when 1994 came. It is the racists again who are going back to Australia."

But he said they would be "poor in Australia". "They are rich here because they are exploiting black people. There is no black person to be exploited in Australia, they are going to be poor.

"They will come back here with their tail between their legs. We will hire them because we will be the owners of their farms when they come back to South Africa. As to what we are going to do with the land, it's our business, it's none of your business.

"We want Africa back. Africa belongs to our people.

"We are saying that which our people were killed for ... has not been achieved, and therefore we will continue with that struggle. When we say so, they say we are racist, they say we want to kill white people. Why would we kill white people?

"Our mothers and fathers are not murderers. The white settlers found them here, they killed them, they forcefully removed them, yet our people kept on saying: 'Let's talk.'

"Today we say: 'Let's talk like our parents kept on saying to you. Let's talk about how we are going to expropriate land without compensation.' Then when we say so, they say we want to kill them."

Last month, South Africa's parliament voted in favour of a motion, brought by the EFF and supported by the ruling African National Congress, to begin the process of expropriating white-owned land without compensation.

A 2017 government audit found white people owned 72 per cent of farmland in South Africa. According to the 2011 census, there are about 4.6 million white people in South Africa, accounting for 8.9 per cent of the population.

The racially charged issue of land rights and farm murders has been the subject of fierce debate in the country and internationally.

According to civil rights group Afriforum, which represents around 200,000 white farmers largely from the Afrikaner minority, 82 people were killed in a record 423 attacks on farms last year. In 2018 so far, there have already been 109 attacks and more than 15 murders.

Afriforum says it is forced to compile its own numbers because the South African government — which denies the attacks are racially motivated or that white farmers are killed in disproportionate numbers — stopped releasing farm murder statistics in 2008.

"Our rural areas are trapped in a crime war," Afriforum head of safety Ian Cameron said in a statement, adding that torture with irons, blowtorches, melted plastic and boiling water often continued for hours during the attacks.

"Although the South African government denies that a violence crisis is staring rural areas in the face, the numbers prove that excessive violence plague these areas. Government cannot deny the facts — our people are being mowed down."

#### **'PEOPLE ARE BEING SAVAGELY ATTACKED'**

Mr Dutton outraged South Africa's government earlier this month when he floated the idea of fast-tracked humanitarian visas for white South African farmers, saying they faced "horrific circumstances" and needed help from a "civilised country".

"The South African government is offended by the statements which have been attributed to the Australian Home Affairs Minister and a full retraction is expected," South Africa's foreign ministry said in a statement at the time.

"That threat does not exist. There is no reason for any government in the world to suspect that a section of South Africans is under danger from their own democratically elected government."

On Thursday, Mr Dutton said he was unperturbed by "mean cartoons" and negative media coverage. "We just get on with making decisions that we need to," he told 2GB.

He insisted he was blind to skin colour and would continue to bring in migrants based on the national interest. "It concerns me that people are being persecuted at the moment — that's the reality — the numbers of people dying or being savagely attacked in South Africa is a reality," he said.

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“We’re looking at ways we can help people to migrate to Australia if they’re finding themselves in that situation.”

Mr Dutton said he had been inundated with messages of support and references to particular cases of white South African farmers in need of help. “We’ll start to work through those and if people meet the criteria under the program then they’ll settle under the program here,” he said.

“If people think I’m going to cower or take a backward step because of their nonsense, fabricated, fake news criticism, then they’ve got another thing coming.”

Mr Dutton’s offer was earlier branded as “out-and-out-racist” by Greens leader Richard Di Natale and was slapped down by Foreign Minister Julie Bishop, but supported by former Prime Minister Tony Abbott and Liberal Democrats Senator David Leyonhjelm.

On Thursday, Nationals MP Andrew Broad called on his Coalition colleagues to reconsider the offer, warning South Africa could face food shortages if white farmers left. “The black South African farmers certainly have not proven themselves,” Mr Broad told ABC radio.

“They need the skill-set of the white South African farmers if they’re going to have any chance of feeding the population. If we take away the farmers from South Africa, we rob them of the capacity to farm that ground and ultimately feed the population.”

An estimated 500,000 white South Africans have left the country over the past three decades, with more than 200,000 settling in Australia.

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**SUPERINTENDENT SAYS STUDENTS ARE ARMED WITH ROCKS IN CASE OF A SCHOOL SHOOTING**

PEGGY LEE, MARCH 23, 2018

<http://wnep.com/2018/03/22/superintendent-says-students-are-armed-with-rocks-in-case-of-a-school-shooting/>

**VIDEO OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AT THE WEBSITE.**

**SCHUYLKILL COUNTY, Pa. -- There’s a rocky controversy when it comes to school safety in Schuylkill County.**

The superintendent of the Blue Mountain School District is in the spotlight after telling lawmakers in Harrisburg his students protect themselves against potential school shooters with rocks.

“Every classroom has been equipped with a five-gallon bucket of river stone. If an armed intruder attempts to gain entrance into any of our classrooms, they will face a classroom full students armed with rocks and they will be stoned,” said Dr. David Helsel.

That was Dr. Helsel testifying to the House Education Committee last week in Harrisburg.

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The superintendent of the Blue Mountain School District was explaining his unconventional form of protecting the students in their schools in the event of an active shooter situation: give them rocks.

“At one time I just had the idea of river stone, they’re the right size for hands, you can throw them very hard and they will create or cause pain, which can distract,” said Helsel.

Helsel says teachers, staff and students were given active shooter training through a program known as ALICE which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate and they routinely hold evacuation drills for active shooter simulations.

But if a teacher decides to lockdown a classroom, there are rocks in a five-gallon bucket kept in every classroom closet that students could throw if shooters get inside.

Still, Helsel says the rocks are seen as a last resort.

“We have devices installed in our doors that help to secure them, to make it very difficult to break through,” said Helsel. “We also have, we train kids and talk about barricading the doors.”

A teenager who is a senior at Blue Mountain High School and says he and other students like that plan.

“It matters because it will help protect the schools, anything helps, rocks are better than books and pencils.”

Parents do as well.

“At this point, we have to get creative, we have to protect our kids first and foremost, throwing rocks, it’s an option,” said Dori Bornstein.

But not everyone thinks this is a practical line of defense.

“I think that’s rather comical,” said one college student in Schuylkill Haven.

“It’s absurd, arm the teachers,” said a parent in Schuylkill Haven.

Helsel says the district has no plans to arm teachers, however, Blue Mountain does have a maintenance employee who is trained and certified to work as school security and is armed.

And the district plans to have more support staff get the same training to act as security.

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**SWITZERLAND HAS A STUNNINGLY HIGH RATE OF GUN OWNERSHIP — HERE’S WHY IT DOESN’T HAVE MASS SHOOTINGS**

Hilary Brueck, Business Insider, Published 4:57 pm, Saturday, March 24, 2018

<https://www.sfgate.com/technology/businessinsider/article/Switzerland-has-a-stunningly-high-rate-of-gun-12709383.php>



Photo: REUTERS/Thomas Hodel

The country has about 2 million privately owned guns in a nation of 8.3 million people. In 2016, the country had 47 homicides with firearms. The country's overall murder rate is near zero.

Switzerland hasn't had a mass shooting since 2001, when a man stormed the local parliament in Zug, killing 14 people and then himself.

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The National Rifle Association often points to Switzerland to argue that more rules on gun ownership aren't necessary. In 2016, the NRA said on its blog that the European country had one of the lowest murder rates in the world while still having millions of privately owned guns and a few hunting weapons that don't even require a permit.

But the Swiss have some specific rules and regulations for gun use.

Business Insider took a look at the country's past with guns to see why it has lower rates of gun violence than the US.

Switzerland is obsessed with getting shooting right. Every year, it holds a shooting contest for kids aged 13 to 17.



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Zurich's Knabenschiessen is a traditional annual festival that dates back to the 1600s.

Though the word roughly translates to "boys shooting" and the competition used to be only boys, teenage girls have been allowed in since 1991.

Kids in the country flock to the competition every September to compete in target shooting using Swiss army service rifles. They're proud to show off how well they can shoot.

Accuracy is prized above all else, and a Schützenkönig — a king or queen of marksmen — is crowned.

Having an armed citizenry helped keep the Swiss neutral for more than 200 years.



Keystone/Getty Images

**The Swiss stance is one of "armed neutrality."**

**Switzerland hasn't taken part in any international armed conflict since 1815, but some Swiss soldiers help with peacekeeping missions around the world.**

**Many Swiss see gun ownership as part of a patriotic duty to protect their homeland.**

**Most Swiss men are required to learn how to use a gun.**

**Unlike the US, Switzerland has mandatory military service for men.**

**All men between the ages of 18 and 34 deemed "fit for service" are given a pistol or a rifle and trained.**

**After they've finished their service, the men can typically buy and keep their service weapons, but they have to get a permit for them.**

**In recent years, the Swiss government has voted to reduce the size of the country's armed forces.**



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*Look like they are having a great time with the Boom-Booms! UT*

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From: "Jim Woosley" [jimwoosley@aol.com](mailto:jimwoosley@aol.com)

**YOUTUBE BANS FIREARMS DEMO VIDEOS, ENTERING THE GUN CONTROL DEBATE**

By Polly Mosendz and Mark Bergen, March 21, 2018, 1:20 PM EDT

[https://www.bloomberg.com/amp/news/articles/2018-03-21/youtube-bans-firearm-sales-and-how-to-videos-prompting-backlash?\\_twitter\\_impression=true](https://www.bloomberg.com/amp/news/articles/2018-03-21/youtube-bans-firearm-sales-and-how-to-videos-prompting-backlash?_twitter_impression=true)

- \* Google's new policy prohibits promotion of guns, bump stocks
- \* At least one video gun blogger ditched YouTube for Pornhub



YouTube, a popular media site for firearms enthusiasts, this week quietly introduced tighter restrictions on videos involving weapons, becoming the latest battleground in the U.S. gun-control debate.

YouTube will ban videos that promote or link to websites selling firearms and accessories, including bump stocks, which allow a semi-automatic rifle to fire faster. Additionally, YouTube said it will prohibit videos with instructions on how to assemble firearms. The video site, owned by Alphabet Inc.'s Google, has faced intense criticism for hosting videos about guns, bombs and other deadly weapons.

For many gun-rights supporters, YouTube has been a haven. A current search on the site for "how to build a gun" yields 25 million results, though that includes items such as toys. At least one producer of gun videos saw its page suspended on Tuesday. Another channel opted to move its videos to an adult-content site, saying that will offer more freedom than YouTube.

"We routinely make updates and adjustments to our enforcement guidelines across all of our policies," a YouTube spokeswoman said in a statement. "While we've long prohibited the sale of firearms, we recently notified creators of updates we will be making around content promoting the sale or manufacture of firearms and their accessories."

YouTube has placed greater restrictions on content several times in the past year, responding to a series of issues with inappropriate and offensive videos. Most of those changes involved pulling ads from categories of videos. Google is more reluctant to remove entire videos from YouTube, but has been willing to do so with terrorism-related content.

The National Shooting Sports Foundation, a gun industry lobbying group, called YouTube's new policy "worrisome."

"We suspect it will be interpreted to block much more content than the stated goal of firearms and certain accessory sales," the foundation said in a statement. "We see the real potential for the blocking of educational content that serves instructional, skill-building and even safety purposes. Much like Facebook, YouTube now acts as a virtual public square. The exercise of what amounts to censorship, then, can legitimately be viewed as the stifling of commercial free speech."

The firearms decision comes days before Saturday's March For Our Lives, a rally organized by survivors of the Feb. 14 school shooting in Parkland, Florida, that left 17 dead.

The new YouTube policies will be enforced starting in April, but at least two video bloggers have already been affected. Spike's Tactical, a firearms company, said in a post on Facebook that it was suspended from YouTube due to "repeated or severe violations" of the video platform's guidelines.

"Well, since we've melted some snowflakes on YouTube and got banned, might as well set IG and FB on fire!," Spike's wrote on Facebook, where it has over 111,000 followers, referring to the social network and its Instagram app. A YouTube spokeswoman said the channel has been reinstated after it was mistakenly removed.

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InRange TV, another channel devoted to firearms, wrote on its Facebook page that it would begin uploading videos to Pornhub, an adult content website.

“YouTube’s newly released released vague and one-sided firearms policy makes it abundantly clear that YouTube cannot be counted upon to be a safe harbor for a wide variety of views and subject matter,” InRange TV wrote. “PornHub has a history of being a proactive voice in the online community, as well as operating a resilient and robust video streaming platform.” Pornhub didn’t immediately return a request for comment on the matter.

Last month, gun control activists escalated the pressure on tech giants for giving a platform to the National Rifle Association. A flurry of businesses cut ties with the pro-gun group after the deadly Parkland school shooting. Companies with streaming services, such as Amazon.com Inc., Apple Inc. and YouTube, declined to remove the NRA channel.

— With assistance by Dashiell Bennett

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IS SPACEX PLANNING TO BUILD ITS BFR MARS ROCKET IN LOS ANGELES?

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Artist's illustration of SpaceX's BFR Mars rocket lifting off. Credit: SpaceX

SpaceX is negotiating with the Port of Los Angeles to build a facility there for manufacturing "large commercial transportation vehicles," according to documents on the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners website.

SpaceX currently builds all of its rockets and spaceships at the company's headquarters, in the Los Angeles suburb of Hawthorne. So speculation is swirling that the new Port of LA facility will focus on the BFR (Big Falcon Rocket, or Big F\*\*\*ing Rocket), which SpaceX is developing to get people to Mars and other destinations throughout the solar system.

What we know about SpaceX's plans is laid out in a March 15 agenda for a special meeting of the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners. SpaceX requests a 10-year lease, with up to two renewals of 10 years each. The goal is to construct and operate a facility "to manufacture large commercial transportation vessels," the documents state. The project would encompass 18 acres (7.3 hectares) on Terminal Island (an artificial island near San Pedro and Long Beach) on the former site of Southwest Marine, which manufactures components for powerboats.

"The site is entirely disturbed with abandoned industrial buildings, unused compacted dirt area, and paved areas," read the agenda. "Operation would involve research and development of transportation vessels, and would likely include general manufacturing procedures such as welding, composite curing, cleaning, painting, and assembly operations. The majority of operations would take place inside the facility, with exterior operations limited to transit of vehicles, forklift traffic, and mobilization of manufactured products onto a barge at the dockside for testing and delivery."

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The agenda further states that completed vehicles "would need to be transported via water due to their size; thus there is the need to locate the facility immediately adjacent to the water." That would seem to describe the BFR, a rocket-spaceship combo that will be 348 feet (106 meters) tall by 30 feet (9 m) wide, if present designs hold. (SpaceX's current flying rockets, the workhorse Falcon 9 and the newly debuted Falcon Heavy, can travel overland.)

Last week, the board voted to approve California Environmental Quality Act regulations that are needed before greenlighting the project, the Los Angeles Times reported. The board will later vote on a lease to approve the project, but the date of that vote has not yet been released.

The board further states that the project "would not have a significant effect on the environment," but adds it will implement standard oversight measures to ensure SpaceX is compliant with environmental regulations.

SpaceX uses the Falcon 9 rocket for satellite launches, and the booster also regularly launches the company's robotic Dragon cargo capsule to the International Space Station for NASA. (SpaceX is also prepping to take astronauts to and from the orbiting lab with a crewed version of Dragon; the first crewed test flight is expected late this year, SpaceX representatives have said.)

Falcon Heavy's maiden voyage on Feb. 6 saw the 230-foot-tall (70 m) rocket heft a Tesla Roadster into space. The flight met almost all major objectives, SpaceX representatives said, and the company plans two more launches of the booster in 2018 alone.

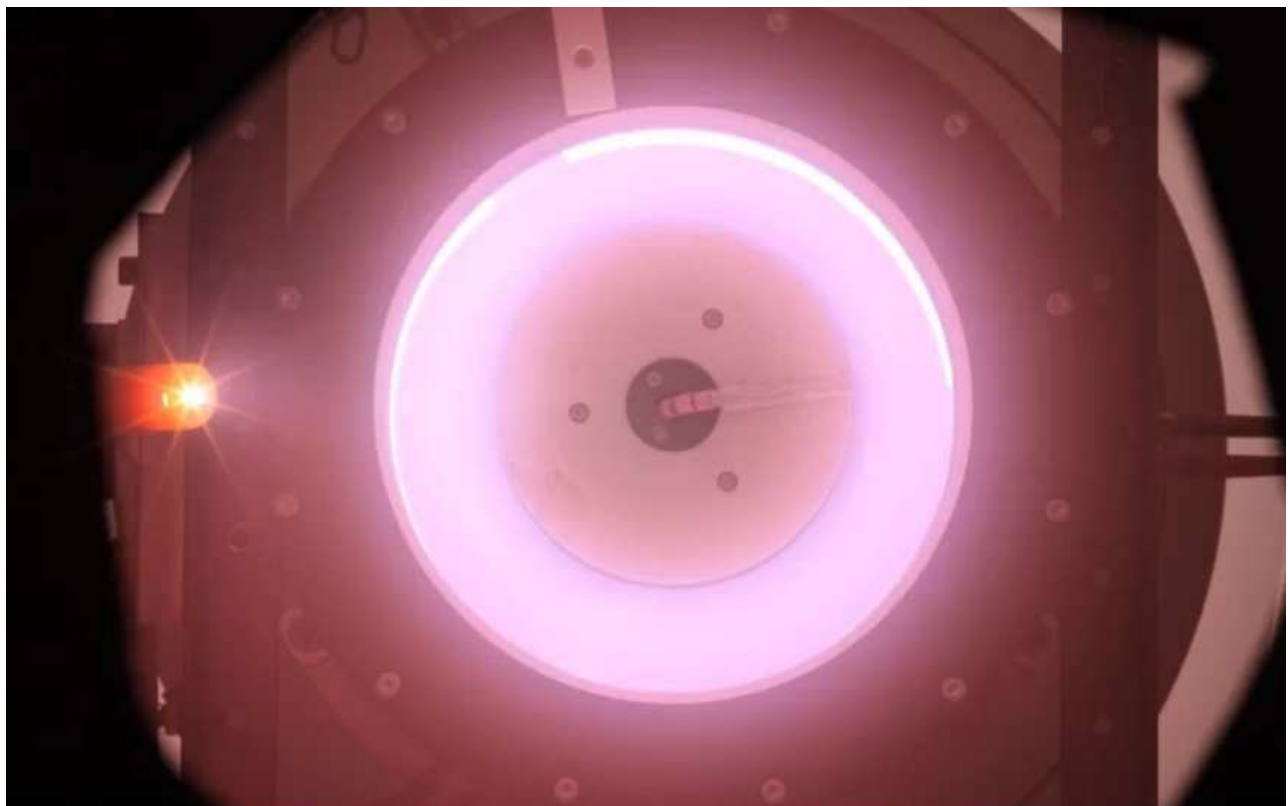
But the Heavy may not fly for long. In September 2017, SpaceX founder and CEO Elon Musk said the plan is to replace both the Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy with the BFR system in the 2020s.

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## AIR-BREATHING THRUSTER PAVES WAY FOR NEVER-ENDING SPACE MISSIONS AT EARTH AND MARS

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An air-breathing ion thruster would scoop up scarce air molecules from the upper

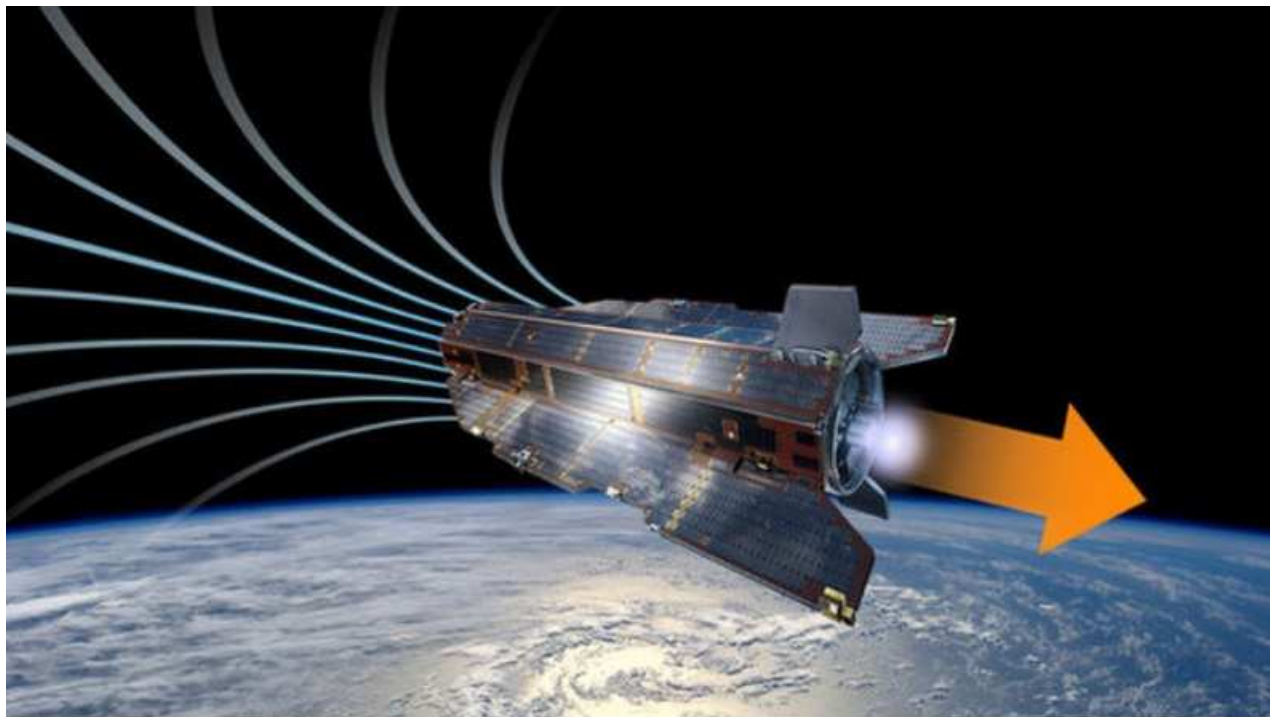
atmosphere to use as propellant, letting satellites hold very low orbits around Earth. Credit: ESA/Sitael

For the first time, the European Space Agency (ESA) has tested a novel air-breathing electric thruster that could allow near-Earth orbiting satellites to stay in space almost indefinitely. The thruster, designed to harvest atmospheric molecules and use them instead of onboard propellant, could also make future Mars exploration easier, ESA officials said.

Satellites need propulsion to hold their position or move around in space. Conventionally, satellites use rocket-like chemical propulsion, but electrical thrusters are becoming increasingly popular due to their better efficiency. However, current electrical propulsion systems still need to use a propellant, such as xenon, and their mission lengths are therefore limited by how much propellant they can carry. Due to weight constraints, satellites can carry only a limited amount. Those orbiting close to the Earth, in the range of a few hundred kilometers (about 125 miles), consume it at a higher rate, as they need to compensate for the atmospheric drag that slows them down and pulls toward the Earth.

Instead of carrying its own propellant, a satellite using ESA's new system would skim air molecules from the top of Earth's atmosphere. The molecules turn into plasma when compressed. An electric field is then used to accelerate the stream of plasma to provide thrust for the satellite.

"Providing atmospheric drag compensation without the use of carry-on propellant, this kind of electric propulsion would let satellites orbit at very low altitudes around Earth for very long operational time," Louis Walpot, who leads the project at ESA, told Space.com in an email.



A satellite propelled by an air-breathing electric thruster. Credit: ESA/Sitael

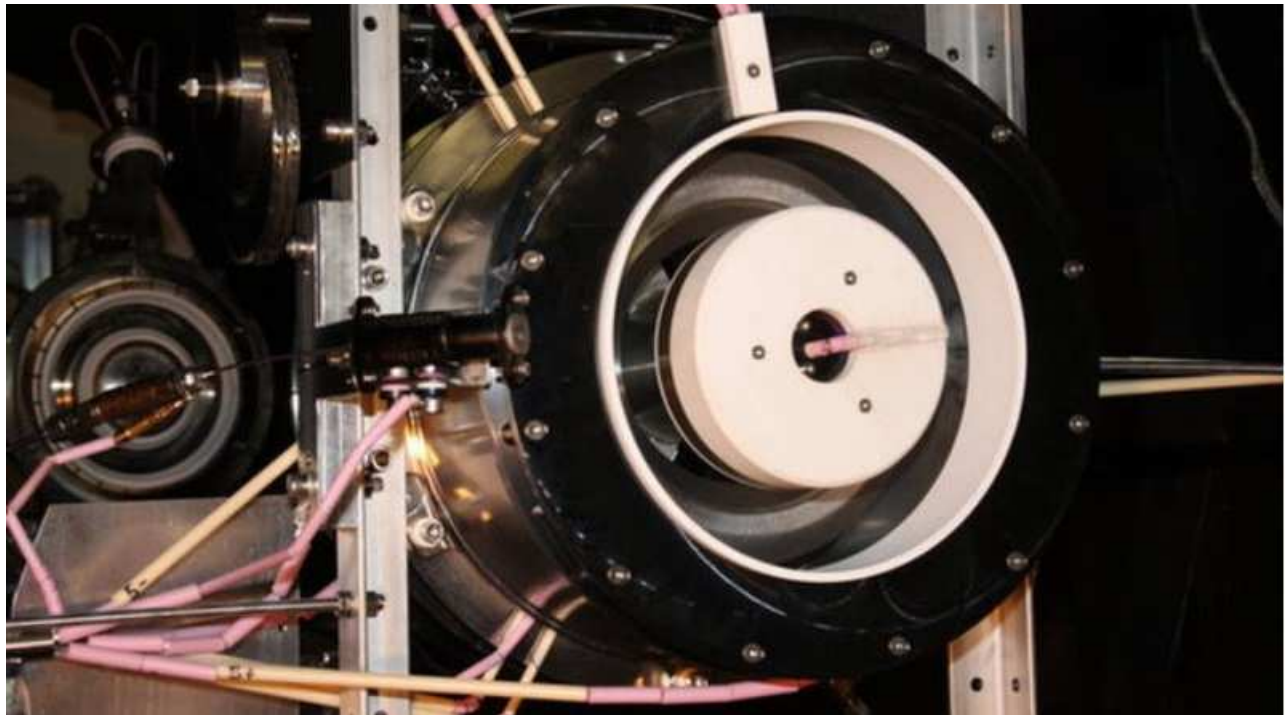
"Normally their orbit would decay rapidly and they'd reenter the atmosphere," Walpot said.

Together with the thruster, ESA tested an innovative collector that captures incoming air as it hits the thruster at the staggering orbital speeds of about 4.9 miles per second (7.8 kilometers per second). The collector strips nitrogen and oxygen molecules from the air, and turns them into fuel. It's this collector that makes the system the first of its kind, demonstrating how an air-breathing thruster would actually work in orbit.

"This design of the collector was challenging because the air molecules tend to bounce out again, rather than be retained and compressed to a point where they turn into plasma, capable of being accelerated with an electric field," Walpot said. "The collector-plus-thruster design is entirely passive in nature — the air enters the collector due to the spacecraft's velocity as it orbits around Earth. All it needs is electric power to ionize the compressed air."

The electric power, he said, could be easily obtained from solar panels.

Walpot said the system would also work at the outer edges of the atmosphere of Mars, harvesting carbon dioxide molecules that make up the Red Planet's atmosphere instead of Earth's nitrogen and oxygen.



The test setup for a prototype air-breathing thruster and compressor, visible here inside a vacuum chamber. Credit: ESA/Sitael

"This is more than a hundred times less dense than Earth's atmosphere of course, so any such air-breathing spacecraft would fly lower — about 120-180 km," Walpot said.

ESA, which funds the thruster's development through its Technology Research Programme, started working on the project in 2015 in collaboration with the Polish firm QuinteScience



and Italy's Sitael. Researchers tested the technology in a vacuum chamber in Italy, simulating the surroundings at 200 kilometers (120 miles) altitude, according to the statement.

The agency now plans to scale up the technology to a more realistic flight configuration.

"This would increase the Technology Readiness Level," Walpot said. "Efforts will start to look at potential applications for the technology, future missions where it would be a good fit."

He said the air-breathing thruster would work up to altitudes as low as 160 km (100 miles), since it can only operate in vacuum or near vacuum. For comparison, ESA's Gravity Field and Steady-State Ocean Circulation Explorer (GOCE) orbited at about 250 km (150 miles). GOCE used a similar electric thruster to keep itself in the orbit, but its thruster relied on the propellant xenon. The mission ran out of fuel after four years and seven months, after which the spacecraft plunged into the atmosphere.

Using air as a propellant "opens up near-Earth space for new missions, which could be used for instance for very high-resolution imaging, or even to study the ever-changing conditions prevailing at the top of the atmosphere," Walpot said.

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#### SKUNK WORKS TAKES WRAPS OFF TAILLESS X-44A UAV

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Greg Norris and Guy Norris

LOS ANGELES- Lockheed Martin Skunk Works unveiled a never-before-seen tailless UAV dubbed the X-44A at the Los Angeles County Air Show in California on March 24.

Lockheed transported the diminutive swept wing UAV to the air show at Gen. William J.

Fox Airfield from its nearby Skunk Works facility at the U.S. Air Force's Plant 42 in Palmdale. The company says the aircraft first flew in 2001 as part of a "family" of vehicles, but declines to offer further details.

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Lockheed opted to take the wraps off the formerly classified demonstrator as part of a campaign to boost broader awareness of its long-running UAV experience as well as to help mark celebrations surrounding the 75th anniversary of the Skunk Works. The move comes as Lockheed Martin enters the closing stages of a key contest against Boeing and General Atomics for the U.S. Navy's MQ-25A Stingray unmanned aerial refueling carrier-based aircraft requirement—a decision expected as early as August. The UAV's unexpected public appearance follows the disclosure of the X-44A's existence last month in [TheWarZone.com](http://TheWarZone.com), a defense-focused website.

The aircraft shares a clear lineage with a series of Lockheed flying wing designs ranging from the RQ-170 stealthy surveillance UAV to the Sea Ghost concept proposed for the Navy's now-abandoned Unmanned Carrier-Launched Surveillance and Strike program.

Chronologically, the X-44A represents an evolutionary step in Lockheed's UAV development from the high-altitude, high-aspect-ratio wing configured RQ-3 DarkStar of the 1990s to the swept wing P-175 Polecat and subsequent RQ-170 designs of the 2000s.

The timing of the UAV's first flight in 2001 may also explain the confusing use of the X-44A designation. The X-44 was originally allocated to the Multi-Axis No-Tail Aircraft (Manta) project, a proposed tailless derivative of the F-22. But Air Force funding for this concept,



which was designed to demonstrate the performance and low observable benefits of thrust-vectoring flight control in lieu of vertical tails, was withdrawn around 2000.



Photo: Greg Norris

With a wingspan of about 30-ft., the X-44A is distinguished by a spheroidal fuselage and a deep wing with pronounced inverse camber, complex curvature and a low observable indented trailing edge. Primary flight control is provided by two sets of split elevons. The presence of a discreet Williams International logo near the aircraft's triangular-shaped exhaust nozzle appears to confirm speculation that the X-44A is powered by a small cruise missile turbofan like the Williams-made F112. The same engine was also used to power other previous X-planes including Boeing's tailless X-36 subscale demonstrator and the X-50 Dragonfly canard/rotorwing demonstrator.

The X-44A configuration appears to be highly modular, with a large belly fairing covering the payload section of the lower fuselage and detachable wings outboard of the center section. The engine inlet, reminiscent of the RQ-170, is located on the upper forward fuselage aft of the break of the nose section. The nozzle is supported by an extended lower panel which shields the heat and noise of the exhaust from below. Auxiliary inlet scoops, one mounted on the upper aft fuselage and others on the upper and lower port fuselage, provide cooling air for internal systems, avionics and sensors electronics.



Photo: Greg Norris

The demonstrator, which has a fixed tricycle landing gear, also sports a pair of what appear to be chin-mounted electro-optical sensors. Offset to the right of the nose is a tubular mounting for what was most likely an air data boom providing information on angle of attack and sideslip, static and total pressures and temperatures.

Lockheed Martin is expected to reveal further details of the X-44A in the coming months.

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**MELT-RESISTANT ICE CREAM IS HERE: USING BANANA EXTRACT, SCIENTISTS CONCOCT BREAKTHROUGH RECIPE**

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**NEW ORLEANS** — Science has finally led us to one of the greatest innovations of humankind: ice cream that doesn't melt quickly on a hot day. The secret, according to a new study? Banana plant waste.

Not only are researchers saying their new concoction will last longer, but it's creamier and potentially even healthier than your typical frozen treat.

Keeping ice cream from melting has been a mystery that has eluded research teams from around the world for years. Just last year, Japanese scientists [developed](#) a melt-resistant ice cream using polyphenol compounds from strawberries, but never before has a compound been found to improve the creaminess and texture of low-fat ice cream as well.



Tired of your ice cream dripping all over your hands? Good news: scientists have created a new melt-resistant recipe. The secret? Banana plant fibers.

So Columbian researchers Dr. Robin Zuluaga Gallego and Jorge A. Velásquez Cock teamed with scientists from the University of Guelph in Canada to see what would happen when they added tiny cellulose fibers from the banana plants into an ice cream recipe. When bananas are

harvested, the remaining plant matter is disposed of as waste. The research team used the microscopic fibers — thousands of times smaller than the width of human hair — from the banana plant stems, or rachis, to slow the melting in ice cream, as well as replace some of the fats used to make the frozen delicacy.

The study found that when mixed with the banana fibers, ice cream melted far slower than the dessert normally does. Even better, the shelf life of the product was longer and the ice cream's creaminess and texture wasn't worsened. Velásquez Cock believes their discovery may even lead to a lower-fat ice cream product as the fibers could potentially replace fats used in conventional products.

Healthier product aside, just being able to give ice cream lovers a product that won't leave their hands sticky and pants stained is good enough.

"Our findings suggest that cellulose nanofibers extracted from banana waste could help improve ice cream in several ways," explains Gallego in an American Chemical Society media [release](#). "In particular, the fibers could lead to the development of a thicker and more palatable dessert, which would take longer to melt. As a result, this would allow for a more relaxing and enjoyable experience with the food, especially in warm weather."

This breakthrough could mean big-time changes to a huge industry. The United States alone produced 1.3 billion gallons of ice cream in 2016, according the US Department of Agriculture. On average, each American consumes approximately 23 pounds of ice cream each year.

The research was presented last week at the 255th National Meeting & Exposition of the American Chemical Society.



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