

## Tough Times Reveal True Friends

A scandal that rocked the principality of Monaco four years ago continues to reverberate between the streets of Paris and Monte Carlo. When Prince Albert II finally managed to get rid of the scheming court influencers that he ended up surrounded by, we bet he didn't expect them to form a book club and continue their association for another half a decade!

What a colorful cast of individuals they were, it almost makes one nostalgic for those times. There is the magical accountant, who managed to pull an overhand shuffle with the palace finances and magic away upwards of millions of euros. There is the party animal supreme. No limits too extensive, no activity too outlandish or depraved. Of course there is also the holder of the umbrella. Out of the friend group, these were clearly the leaders that stood out.

What amazes us is how strong the bonds of friendship between these three have remained, even after the trauma of being banished. And it's all thanks to one man. The sticky glue, the gum under the school table, the spider supreme who previously worked as head of communications for the Princely Palace.

Since their unfortunate divorce from the halls of the "Palace d'u Principu", these friends have continued to meet on a regular basis. For example, the group organized a lovely teatime at the offices of Thierry Lacoste last May on the 15th. More meetings would follow on 16th May, 6th June, 12th June 11th December 18th December and probably more, that our little birds didn't catch!

One has to wonder what this group is meeting so often to discuss? Perhaps they miss the sandy beaches of Monaco. Or have they started an intrepid book club focused on Monegasque-inspired fantasy works (more on that later on!). Whatever their reasons, we're just happy that tough times have revealed true friends.

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