

Hello everybody, and welcome to a new episode of News Bites!
I'm Nancy Sun...
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In today's news:
A cleaning co-op, energy from dancing, and Taylor Swift's special ring.
All that and more, coming up next.

新北市首創「淨灘合作社」 讓民眾動手清海灘

New Taipei Beach Cleanup Club

Many people enjoying going to the beach.
And in most parts of Taiwan, it is a short trip to the beach, and you can go all year-round (一年四季).
But there is one thing all over the beach that should not be there... Garbage (垃圾)!
Environment group Greenpeace (綠色和平) says 153,400 bags of trash were found on Taiwan's beaches in one year.

All this garbage weighs more than 586,000 kilograms.

That's about as heavy as five and a half blue whales (藍鯨), the largest living mammal!

And now New Taipei wants to do something about all this garbage on the beach.

New Taipei is starting a beach cleaning co-op.

This idea will help anyone clean the beach at any time.

If you want to clean the beach, look for a shop with a special sign hanging outside.

You can get gloves and special trash bags from the shop.

如果你想要清理海灘，可以找門口有掛「淨灘合作社」浮球的店家，他們會給你手套與專屬垃圾袋。

And you can start picking up all that garbage.

Then when you're done, you can bring the bag of garbage back to the store.

And they will throw it away for you.

This makes it easy for all of us to help keep the beach clean.

新北市創立「淨灘合作社」，和在海邊的店家合作，民眾可以借用打掃工具，掃完的垃圾可以直接交給店家處理，讓大家可以一起守護海岸環境。

夜店用舞池地板收集跳舞熱氣變能量

Nightclub Uses Dancers for Energy

The world is trying out many new ways to make energy (產生能量).

We get energy from sunlight, wind, and moving water.

We've even made electricity riding our bikes.

But how about making energy...by dancing?

A nightclub (夜店) in Glasgow, Scotland will get energy from people who dance there.

People dancing there make a lot of heat (熱氣).

Machines on the ceiling (屋頂) suck up the heat.

Then the heat is put into 17 holes in the ground on the dance floor (舞池).

The holes are up to 200 meters deep!

The heat makes all the rocks around the holes very hot.

That heat can be used to make the building warmer when it is cold.

This means the club doesn't need to use extra electricity to warm the building.

Or the heat can be kept for months until it is needed.

Using this idea, the club thinks it can cut 70 tons of carbon emissions each year.

利用跳舞產生的熱氣來控制室內的溫度，也許可以讓這家蘇格蘭夜店每年減少 70 噸的碳排放。

泰勒絲客製化戒指上市

Taylor Swift Offering Special Ring

A special piece of jewelry is going up for sale.

Taylor Swift is selling replicas (複製品) of a custom ring.

She wears the ring on the cover of her new album, called Red (Taylor's Version).

The ring says LOVE on it.

泰勒絲在新專輯封面上戴了一個客製化戒指，粉絲可以買戒指複製品。

The original ring was a gift from the mother of one of Taylor's friends, who designs jewelry (首飾).

Along with the word Love, the ring contains several tiny thorns (小刺).

This is because there are always thorns in love and life.

Taylor's new album came out in mid-November.

戒指上寫 LOVE，也有小小的刺，因為愛情中終會有刺。

So, in today's News Bites:

New Taipei is starting a beach cleaning co-op.

You can get gloves and special trash bags from special shops, and pick up garbage on the beach.

Then bring the bag of garbage back to the store, and they will throw it away for you.

A nightclub in Glasgow, Scotland will get energy from people who dance there.

People dancing make a lot of heat, and that heat is saved in special holes in

the ground.

The heat can be used to make the building warmer when it's cold.

And,

Taylor Swift is selling replicas of a ring she wears on the cover of her new album.

The ring says LOVE on it.

The original ring was a gift from the mother of one of Taylor's friends, who designs jewelry.

And that's today's episode of News Bites!

主播每周一問

Have Your Say

This week, we asked you about your favorite movie.

12-year-old Ella Wu, from Yangming Junior High in Kaohsiung City, likes big, exciting adventures.

And 13-year-old Kobe Huang, from Han Kou Junior High School in Taichung, likes funny movies.

Well that does it for this week's "Have Your Say".

Remember, if your comment was chosen for the show this month, we'll be sending you a gift in the mail.

Make sure to tune in again next week for an all-new question!