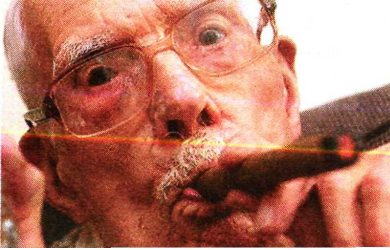


Brit who smoked 292,000 ciggies turns 100

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LONDON: A British chain smoker has celebrated his 100th birthday, despite smoking nearly 300,000 cigarettes and sipping a glass of whisky a day. Old soldier Arthur Langran — who survived being blown up by a grenade in the Second World War — claims the key to his longevity is doing what everyone tells him not to.

The dad-of-two started smoking aged 20 and has gone through at least ten-a-day ever since. That works out at an incredible 292,000 cigarettes. As well as being partial to the odd cigar he also sips a dram of Macallan single malt Scotch right before he goes to bed and credits it for his long life. But his tittle a day over 80

totals a staggering 900 bottles. "I always say the secret is doing things you're not told to do. I have been smoking since I was 20 and I still enjoy it - and a pipe," the Sun quoted Langran as saying. Arthur, from Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, downed pints of ale at his local pub to celebrate the milestone.

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