

# DAILY STAR

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**  
Will this new lot be any better? Let's wait and see.



## JUDE SAVES OUR PUBS

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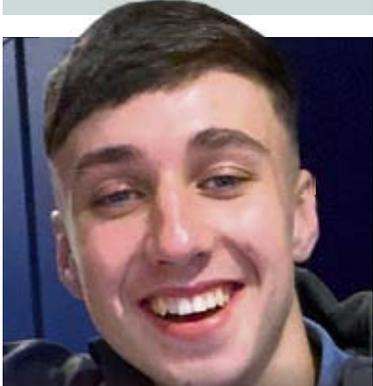
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# ELECTION 2024

**A fond farewell to those self-entitled clowns, chancers, liars, wazzocks, cheats, sociopaths, scumbags and bellends who'll be out of work this time tomorrow after taking us for complete mugs these last 14 years**



by JAMES CAVEN  
Political Editor  
REMEMBER Bozo.  
Remember Partygate.  
Remember Lettuce Liz.  
Remember Rishi & D-Day.  
Remember to vote.  
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# Toodlee pip!

# TODAY'S WEATHER

**TODAY:** Light scattered showers are expected for parts of the UK, but especially the north. Showers in Scotland could turn heavy at times. Cloud cover will be patchy, allowing for sunny intervals across much of England and Wales.

**OUTLOOK:** Rain is expected in southern England and Wales tomorrow, as well as some light showers in Scotland. More showers expected on Saturday, with these sometimes becoming locally heavy.

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## Packed jails are at Brink

PRISON bosses are days away from bringing in a "one-in, one-out" emergency plan to ease pressure on our packed-out jails.

The measure, code-named Operation Brinker, is being considered by the Prison Service as attempts to ease overcrowding are overtaken by rising numbers of cons.

But Prison Governors' Association president Tom Wheatley warned the plan would only "buy time".

He added: "We are within 700 spaces of our total maximum capacity in the adult male estate. 'It's as close to full as you can possibly be."

## Patients 'in lurch' over ops

THE NHS is believed to have scrapped up to 180,000 operations last year over a shortage of beds, medics and equipment.

But staffing issues made worse by doctors' strikes were the top reason for ops being shelved, a survey found.

A lack of operating theatres and beds, thousands of admin errors plus bad weather were also to blame for surgeries being ditched.

Wes Streeting, Labour shadow health secretary, said patients were "being left in the lurch because the NHS doesn't have the staff, beds, or equipment to treat them on time".

## Jump in workers' deaths

A RISE in construction work deaths is "hugely concerning".

The 138 work-related deaths in the past year had remained broadly similar for over a decade - but those in construction increased by four to 51, the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health said.

Ruth Wilkinson, from IOSH, said: "There has been a rise in fatalities in construction, meaning the number of deaths in that industry is significantly higher than pre-pandemic levels.

"It's clear that lessons aren't being learned and much more needs to be done to protect workers."

Picture: GABRIEL LIO/SWNS

# BEAST ON THE LOOS

★ THIS salamander-like creature with a "toilet seat-shaped head" and huge fangs was a top predator 40million years before the dinosaurs. Its bonce was over two feet long, say scientists in Chicago.

★ Dr Jason Pardo revealed: "Gaiasia jennyae was considerably larger than a person."

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ALL OR NOTHING, TUESDAY, JULY 2: 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 20, 21

### NATIONAL LOTTERY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

No jackpot winner. Saturday's big prize is a guaranteed £15m.

**LOTTO 01 08 42 46 50 58 51** 613,636 tickets won a prize.

**EURO 02 07 34 35 46 06 08** Tuesday, July 2. No jackpot winner. Tomorrow's top prize is an estimated £33m.

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# NURSING STUDENTS QUIT FEAR



## High stress & low pay

TUITION fees and burnout worries led to almost half of student nurses considering dropping out.

■ by BRENDAN McFADDEN

ried about low morale and exhaustion in the NHS.

Prof Nicola Ranger, the acting general secretary of the RCN, said: "The next generation of nurses are considering walking away before they have graduated."

A staggering 32,000 students have been thinking of packing up, with the cost-of-living crisis the main reason, said a study.

Almost six in 10 in the Royal College of Nursing poll were wor-

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# Ricky: Cancel me



MODEL: Waterhouse

## Suki out of 'dark' split time

SUKI Waterhouse has reflected on her "dark and difficult" split from Bradley Cooper.

The model - now with partner Robert Pattinson - dated the Hollywood star from 2013 to 2015.

Brit Suki, 31, said: "I'm pretty strong at this point, but when something very public happens to you and the story behind it is dark and difficult, and you can't explain yourself to the world, that's very isolating."

"It has taken a decade to work myself out and actually be able to have this expansion in my life."

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**Star Tech**  
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BOOZED-UP: Axeman

## Star too Slashed for gigs

SLASH has no recollection of his early blues concerts because he was so drunk.

The Guns N' Roses axe-slayer, 58, formed cover group Slash's Blues Ball in 1996.

He said: "It was such a drunken kind of thing, and it was just for the fun of it."

"I do not recall any of those gigs."

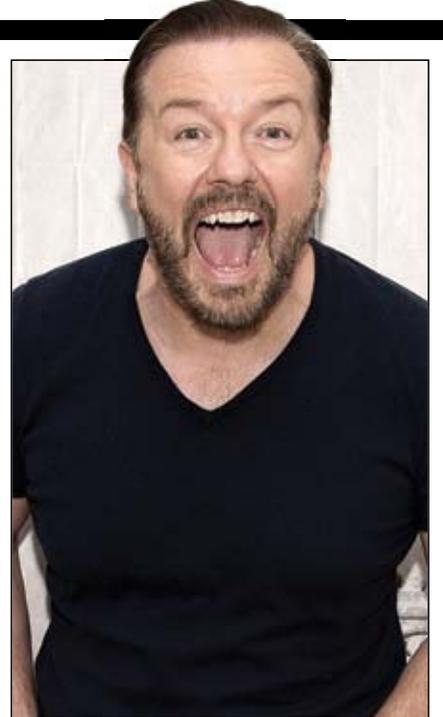
But Slash did admit he was "inspired" by the blues events.

He was joined in the band by Teddy "Big Bag Zig Zag" Andreadis, Johnny Griparic, Alvino Bennet, Bobby Schneck and Dave McLaurin.



★ MARVELLOUS Mia is off to the polling booth to exercise her democratic rights.  
★ "I'm a big fan of Count Binface," says the 23-year-old from Essex. "He makes some good points and he comes from outer space."  
★ We're glad you're making your voice Count, because you're out of this world.

Mia



NEW MATERIAL: The comedian

## GERVAIS TAKES AIM AT PAEDOS, SLAVES, RAPISTS .. AND DISABLED

EXCLUSIVE ■ by ED GLEAVE

RICKY Gervais is planning his most controversial tour yet.

The toxic-tongued comedian, 63, plans to tackle multiple topics which are likely to spark a backlash - and maybe get him cancelled.

His new material includes gags about slavery, paedophiles, cancer, rape, school shootings and suicide.

There's also stuff on notorious characters including serial killer Harold Shipman, inset, Jeffrey Epstein and Jimmy Savile.

Ricky took the lid off his new jokes at an exclusive gig in London - and they went down a storm.

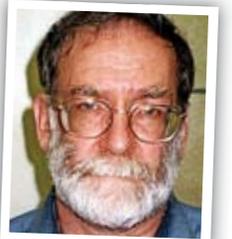
An audience member told the Daily Star: "Ricky joked about some very controversial topics... nothing was off limits."

"There were gasps from some people because a lot of it was so near-the-knuckle."

"But the crowd absolutely loved it. Everyone was laughing."

The tour, to be streamed on Netflix, will be titled Mortality and kicks off later this year.

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## Strictly is off Tom's menu

CELEBRITY chef Tom Kerridge says he "couldn't think of anything worse" than going on Strictly Come Dancing.

The chef, 50, who runs two Michelin-starred restaurants, said his "immediate focus" was on his cooking.

He told Woman's Weekly: "Taking part in a show like Strictly Come Dancing isn't for me - I couldn't think of anything worse."

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# HERO BELLINGHAM SAVES PUBS

# VAST



GOAL-DEN: Sommer

## Women are after a keeper

GOALIES are the most fancied footballers.

Women were shown photos of players from all positions from the 24 teams strutting their stuff in this year's Euros.

And keepers came out top, voted the "most dateable", "desirable", "handsome" or "marriage-worthy".

Claire Honeyman, 31, of Watford, said she reckoned Swiss goalie Yann Sommer was definitely "a keeper".

She said: "The Swiss goalkeeper is lovely - I love his rugged looks and long hair."

"But that doesn't stop me wanting Harry (Kane) and Jude (Bellingham) to put three past him on Saturday."

Among the other sexy stoppers at the Euros are Marc-Andre ter Stegen, of Germany, French keeper Mike Maignan, Spain's David Raya and England's Jordan Pickford.

Strikers like England's Kane and Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo were in second spot, with attacking midfielders third.

Defensive midfielders such as the Three Lions' Declan Rice were bottom in the poll by married dating site Ashley Madison.

## Rooney crashes pub quiz

WAYNE Rooney hit the bar and narrowly missed out on a pub quiz.

The ex-England hero and BBC Euros pundit couldn't join the fun as he arrived just after it started.

He was at Seco Lounge cafe bar, in Plymouth having just taken over as boss of Plymouth Argyle FC.

After he posed for photos with the quizmaster, a venue spokesman said: "It's only Wayne Roooneeyy."

"He didn't do the quiz... but he did stay with us all night. He was great."



## Wizard Oz rips it up

★ FORMER Arsenal star Mesut Ozil shows off his magical body transformation after some serious sessions in the gym.

The Gunners icon, 35, flashed his six-pack and huge biceps after spending a year working out since retiring from football last March.

★ Sharing an update celebrating his one-year reboot, the former World Cup winner posed in the gym while wearing an orange hoodie which he pulled up to his neck.

The post to his Insta fans read: "1 Year Very Hard WORK."



## 2M extra pints sold after Jude super goal

EXCLUSIVE

■ by JERRY LAWTON in Germany

JUDE Bellingham's last-gasp wonder goal to keep England's Euro 2024 dream alive could save the British boozier.

As his overhead kick against Slovakia hit the back of the net, millions of fans in England got the beers in, pumping £9million into pub tills.

It sent the last-16 clash into extra time, meaning 2million more pints were sold across 35,000 venues.

And Harry Kane's extra-time winner means Saturday will be another big day when the Three Lions play Switzerland in the quarter-finals.

Research by Oxford Partnership found the two goals meant each pub sold an extra 55 pints on average.

A spokesman for Market Watch, which published the study, said England games had driven "an additional 203 pints per pub, leading to a 31.5% uplift in draught sales versus the same day's average in 2024".

They added: "Pubs earned an additional £925 per pub in revenue." Overall, the economy will get a £419.5m boost thanks to the goals, according to VoucherCodes.co.uk.

Nearly 25m fans are expected to tune in on Saturday, spending over £100m on booze and £311m on items such as England kit.

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# AS WELL AS ENGLAND'S HOPES

# ORDERS



**GOAL-GETTERS:** Jude Bellingham is all smiles at training with left back Luke Shaw



**SUB-STANDARD:** Ivan Toney said yesterday he was "annoyed" at being brought on in the dying seconds against Slovakia, but he will "take my opportunity when I get it"

## FODEN: I'M THE LITTLER OF 3 LIONS

PHIL "The Power" Foden says he is unbeatable when he plays his teammates at darts - and has hit three maximum 180s in the team hotel.

The Manchester City ace, 24, took up the arrows when he was "eight or nine" - and is a massive fan of oche sensation Luke Littler.

He regularly plays fellow Three Lion Eberechi Eze, 26, but has never lost.

Foden said: "I love darts. I've been having a few games with the lads here. No one's beat me yet.

"I've been playing Eze a lot. The more I beat him the more he tries to play me, which I like because that's the mentality I've got. Every time I beat him he's like, 'Get your darts, we go again.'"

Asked if he had ever hit a 180, he replied: "I've had three on this camp, which I'm proud of."



**'BOOKED':** Singer

## 3 Lions in Blunt warning

JAMES Blunt has threatened to sing for the England team if they lose to Switzerland.

The You're Beautiful crooner hopes the warning will motivate the lacklustre Three Lions.

England face the Swiss in a Euro 2024 quarter-final on Saturday despite not playing at their best.

It prompted boss Gareth Southgate to bring pop star Ed Sheeran, 33, into the camp to try and give the squad a morale-boosting private performance.

A video of him singing The A Team was posted on social media - which Blunt reacted to. The 50-year-old said: "And I'm booked to do the same if they lose against Switzerland."

Quick-witted Blunt often pokes fun at himself as he knows his music isn't everyone's cup of tea.

The Sheeran video went viral with many punters noticing the players looked disinterested. Budget airline Ryanair commented Southgate's side had "suffered enough already".

And one X user joked: "Southgate is only person alive who would think that Ed Sheeran is the man to bring in to boost the spirits of the English players."

## Fit Swiss on a roll cycling

THE Switzerland stars are warming up for their showdown with England by cycling to training.

The squad swerved the team bus to bike in the rain from their Stuttgart hotel to their training ground.

They included Manchester City's Manuel Akanji, Newcastle United's Fabian Schar, ex-Liverpool ace Xherdan Shaqiri and Inter Milan's Yann Sommer.

Swiss fan Julian Kruemel said: "They could take the bus but they don't want to. It's not the Swiss way."

# 50k in Germany

by JERRY LAWTON

AN army of 50,000 fans will invade Germany by plane, train and car for England's Euro 2024 showdown with Switzerland - after a between-match "save-the-marriage" flit home.

Thousands of supporters returned to the UK after the epic last-16 comeback victory over Slovakia - some even booking their return mid-game

fearing Gareth Southgate's stars were about to be booted out.

Airlines are laying on extra flights to meet the rising demand.

EasyJet is operating 21 flights from the UK in time for the game as well as more than 40 to Amsterdam, which offers connections to Dusseldorf.

Ryanair is laying on four extra flights that have been selling out fast.

Travel experts also warned ferry and Eurotunnel LeShuttle services were booking up fast.

Only 6,732 tickets have been officially allocated to England fans for the match - but more than 20,000 are expected to get into the stadium.

# DAILY STAR Says

## New start is needed

**TODAY almost certainly marks the end of one of the worst periods of government in history.**

It would be hard for any sane person to argue the country is in a better state than when the Tories got in 14 years ago.

But their record since the pandemic started has been particularly shambolic.

PMs Boris "Bozo" Johnson, "Lettuce" Liz Truss and Rishi "Biggles" Sunak and their ministers have lurched from disaster to disaster while treating us with utter contempt.

They have lied, bulls\*\*\*\*ed, weaselled, cheated, squirmed and flat-out buggered things up all over the place.

Partygate, D-Day, Matt Hancock's a\*\*\*\*-grabbing, that cataclysmic mini-Budget – the list goes on and on and on.

*It has been an omnishambles for the ages. And this election campaign has just served to underline their inadequacies.*

It seems nailed on that Labour and Sir Keir Starmer will walk to victory.

To be honest, all he has had to do is not completely balls things up like his rivals. But what is clear is that it is absolutely time for a change.

We thought Count Binface was probably the best option but we're willing to give this other fella and his party a chance too.

**Let's just hope for the country's sake they don't bugger it up like the outgoing mob of scoundrels and chancers.**

## Look after the nurses

**NURSES are the very best of us.**

They spend their lives selflessly working to help others.

The NHS would fall apart without them. Yet they have been treated appallingly for years.

The situation has got so bad that nearly half of student nurses have considered dropping out of their courses. One reason for this is because qualified ones are struggling amid the NHS crisis.

*This is a damning indictment.*

During Covid our leaders were falling over themselves to praise health workers.

Since then there has barely been a peep. But their extraordinary contribution to our society happens every single day, not just during a crisis.

**Treating them with the respect they deserve should be a priority for the next Government.**

## Hipp hop

**BOFFINS are suddenly claiming that hippos can fly.**

*Next they'll be telling us Rishi has a chance of getting back in!*

# YOUNG ATTRACTED TO NIGHT MOVERS

# Like moths to a flame..

★ **MOTHS** are getting a younger fan base in a flap, as we revealed yesterday. The insects' appeal has seen a boost in members joining the Sussex Moth Group, as numbers have declined by 33% since 1968 due to habitat destruction. Here **KIM CARR** spreads her wings over 15 mega moth facts...

**1** Moths are members of the Lepidoptera family of which there are about 165,000 known species compared to approximately 18,000 butterflies.

**2** You can tell the difference by looking at their antennae – moths' are feathery, saw-

shaped or tapered to a point.

**3** The atlas moth is the largest in the world, with wings that span 30cm and is found in southeast Asia.

**4** Not to be sniffed at, male moths have mighty senses of smell with the giant silk one being able to inhale the scent of a female seven miles away. Meanwhile, a male promethea moth

made history by flying 23 miles in the hope of mating with a female only to be let down as it was some boffins' pheromone experiment.

**5** He was mocked at the time but Charles Darwin was correct when he claimed orchids were pollinated by insects with long proboscises. Boffins later learned that Madagascan sphinx moths use their 30cm proboscises for the task.

**6** Some moths don't have mouths because they don't live for long – like the luna moth, which dies a few days after mating and laying eggs.

**7** Cold Feet star Fay Ripley had 10 hypnotherapy sessions to cure her fear of insects but they failed. When one flew out of a traveller's suitcase at Heathrow Airport and headed towards her, the star fainted at the check-in desk.

**8** There is a US legend of a creepy moth man with 10ft wings and glowing red eyes, who is said to stalk the woods in West Virginia from

November 15 for a month. They even hold a festival celebrating the "creature" each September.

**9** Seen as an omen of death, real death's head hawk moths were used for the scenes inside the home of Jame Gumb aka Buffalo Bill, the serial killer who murders women to create "skin suits" in The Silence Of The Lambs. Ted Levine played him in the 1991 film adaptation of Thomas Harris's novel. The insects have human skull-shaped markings on the back of their thorax.



**10** At the Sydney Olympics in 2000, an eclipse of migrating bogong moths swarmed the closing ceremony after being attracted to Stadium Australia's huge lights.



**11** Chinese character moths look like bird poo when resting, by folding up their wings to fool their predators.

**12** When the elephant hawk moth's caterpillar feels threatened its body swells up into the shape of a snake's head.

**13** Despite their reputation only two common moths have caterpillars that eat clothes – and they don't chomp on cotton or synthetics.

**14** Female bagworm moths have no wings and after mating poke their head from their silk case to get eaten on purpose by a bird to disperse their eggs.

**15** Tiger moths squeak to put off bats from eating them.

■ **PALM FEEDER:** Insect on hand. Right, from top, The Silence Of The Lambs and eating wool



# THE BRAINBOX

## BRAINS OF BRITAIN

We asked for something people spot. Niche:

- 1 Birds
- 2 Trains
- 3 Planes
- 4 A mistake
- 5= Someone weight-lifting, a bat, a friend (with money), smudge on my glasses, parking space, sea potato, spider's web, tosspottery, shooting star, leopard, bargain, the sun, your willy, mermaid's purse, Barry, brown-nosers, black cat, scam, magpie, tree

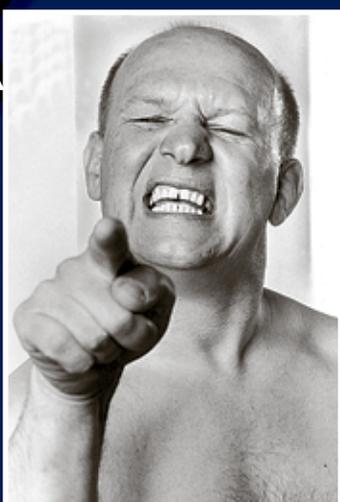
- 1** Who was the original host of student quiz show Blockbusters?
- 2** Which footballer won 150 caps combined for Germany and West Germany?
- 3** "Every night you stay I'll be watching you" is the last

- line of which song which starts with its title?
- 4** What is the name of the actor featured in the picture on the right?
- 5** Don't check your pencil case – what shape is a protractor?

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**ANSWERS:** (1) Bob Holness; (2) Lothar Matthäus; (3) Every Breath You Take; (4) Brian Glover; (5) Semi-circle



**WRESTLE WITH IT: Who was he?**



**PALS:** Leilani & Jofli

## Bearing up after ted find

A LITTLE girl has been reunited with the favourite teddy she lost at Disney World in Florida.

Leilani Hatton, five, was devastated after losing her beloved bear Jofli on a family holiday in May.

But luckily "Mickey Mouse" found it and posted it back 4,200 miles to Darlington, Co Durham.

Grateful Leilani wrote back, saying: "Dear Mickey, thank you for finding Jofli, love Lani."

Her gran Lynne Cullen said: "We never thought in a million years we'd get it back."

"It's still a mystery how or where he was found."

"We told Leilani it must have been Mickey."

### WORD OF

**HUMILIATION:** The embarrassment and shame felt when made to appear stupid or incompetent in public.

### THE DAY



## It's perch 'n Becks

★ DAVID and Victoria Beckham celebrate 25 years of marriage by sitting on their wedding thrones. Purple Posh, 50, and Becks, 49, posted a pic on Insta saying, "Look what we found..." as they recreated images from their big day, inset.

★ The footie icon and ex-Spice Girl had a fairytale wedding at Luttrellstown Castle, Dublin, in 1999.



**COOL PICK:** Cold

## We're chillin' on hol

SUNSHINE holidays are being ditched by Brits in favour of "coolcations" in places like Iceland.

Online searches for breaks to the Nordic island nation have rocketed by 23% over the last few months.

Will Bolsover, from Natural World Safaris, explained: "Summers are becoming unbearably uncomfortable for many."

"People are now looking to holiday in much colder climates."

# 29C HEATWAVE SOON.. HONEST



**SAND THERE'S MORE:** Brits are set to flock to beaches

## Sun back later this month

**BRITS are set to bake in a scorching 29C heatwave this month.**

Advanced forecasts from experts at Netweather predict temperatures will soar again from July 12.

The mercury is tipped to hit a sizzling 29C in London and along parts of the south coast.

It is also expected to be between 25C and 27C in the north.

But the Met Office has warned we face more rain before the hot spell. Thundery

by **TIM HANLON**

downpours are set to drench millions of voters as they head to the polling stations today.

Soggy conditions will bring "a rush of showers with a heavy risk of thunder" for much of the country.

But the Met Office's long-range forecast promised: "There are tentative signs that after the early

part of next week, conditions may start to gradually become a bit more settled, at least for a while."

Meanwhile, Hurricane Beryl killed at least six people and brought chaos across the Caribbean as it tore through islands with 150mph winds. The storm front then barrelled towards Jamaica.

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# THEY THINK

## Top Tories concede defeat before single vote counted

■ by KATE NELSON

**PANICKED** Tories including Suella Braverman chucked in the towel last night ahead of a predicted rout in the General Election.

“Cruella” warned her party to “read the writing on the wall” and prepare for the “reality and frustration of opposition.”

It came as the latest poll had Labour on track for a huge majority when voting closes tonight.

Survation said Sir Keir Starmer’s party winning more than 418 seats was “99% certain”.

Crestfallen Cruella, sacked twice as Home Secretary, claimed neither she, nor Bozo Johnson, nor Lettuce Liz Truss was to blame for the likely trouncing.

She said her party’s failure to cut immigration and stop “woke” policies divided the Right and boosted Nigel Farage’s Reform.

Meanwhile, Work and Pensions

### CRUELLA



‘We failed.. prepare for reality of opposition’



SMILES AHEAD: Keir

Secretary Mel Stride also warned Labour were “heading for an extraordinary landslide on a scale that has probably never, ever been seen in this country before.”

Rishi “Biggles” Sunak is petrified of becoming the first PM in history to lose his seat.

Count Binface, your Daily Star’s choice candidate, is up against him in his Richmond and Northallerton constituency in North Yorks.

The stressed-out PM confided his worries to his inner circle on Tuesday before a Tory rally.

One said: “He is genuinely fearful of a defeat in Richmond. The risk that it could be tight has hit him hard. He’s rattled - he can’t quite believe it’s coming so close.”

Chancellor Jeremy Hunt, Defence Secretary Grant Shapps and veterans minister Johnny Mercer are set to lose their seats, says More In Common’s MRP poll.

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### STRIDE



‘It will be biggest landslide in history’



EXPENSIVE: Beer

## Pint pledge has our full support

PUB-goers are backing a manifesto demanding the right to a full pint.

Camra, which promotes real ale and traditional pubs, wants the next government to make booze cheaper after research

showed just 12% think a pub beer is affordable.

Chair Nik Antona said: “It’s shocking.”

He also wants an end to “the confusion over global giants pretending to be local craft brewers.”

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# IT'S ALLOVER



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**TATTY-BYE:**  
Rishi meets  
Britain's most  
tattooed mum  
Becky Holt

## Biggles: I love a sarnie

★ **RISHI** "Biggles" Sunak joins Britain's most tattooed mum Becky Holt on This Morning – and claims a sandwich is his favourite meal.

When asked about his election night food plans on the ITV show, the embattled PM said: "My favourite meal, generally, is sandwiches."

He later said his favourite type is a "club sandwich". Biggles added: "I basically like any combination of different sandwich stuff, but yes I love sandwiches."

★ But referencing his likely election defeat, one critic said: "He'll be eating s\*\*\* sandwiches."



### COUNT ME IN: Song Binface in Euro tune-up

COUNT Binface is ready for another voting contest after the General Election – he wants to represent the UK at Eurovision.

The space warrior, who is taking on PM Rishi "Biggles" Sunak, reckons he stands a chance after flops by Brit crooners.

Ambitious Binface said: "It's got to happen, right?"

"Sam Ryder made it to the runner-up spot with his song Space Man.

"Imagine what the UK could do with an actual space man. The sky's the limit!"



### EUROPE: Bad deal 'No EU return' for keir

SIR Keir Starmer says he does not see the UK rejoining the European single market or customs union.

But the Labour leader believes the UK can get a better Brexit deal.

He said: "I've been really clear about not rejoining the EU, the single market, or the customs union, or returning to freedom of movement.

"We can get a better deal than the botched deal we got under Boris Johnson – on the trading front, on research and on security."

## Sir Tom aid ban

CAPTAIN Sir Tom Moore's daughter and her husband have been disqualified from acting as charity trustees.

The Charity Commission served the order on Hannah and Colin Ingram-Moore amid an inquiry into the foundation set up in the war veteran's name.

The pair said they would not be appealing the decision but "fundamentally disagreed with the conclusions reached by the Charity Commission".

## Rocket pile find

SOVIET missiles from decades ago were found during a house clearance.

Brendan O'Shea, from Just Clear, which operates across the UK, said he found three missiles under the stairs of a property.

Brendan, 44, said: "They were 3.5ft high. We had the bomb squad attend and the whole road was sectioned off."

They are believed to have been 10kg anti-tank guided missiles from the USSR in the 60s and 70s.

# My tired excuse

## EARLY KNIGHT

★ NINE-year-old chess prodigy Bodhana Sivanandan has been selected to play for England.

The player, who becomes the youngest person to represent the country in any international sport, has been chosen to turn out against adults at the Chess Olympiad in Hungary in September.

★ She said: "It's a great honour and I'm looking forward to being part of a team."



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## SLEEPY JOE: JET LAG IS TO BLAME

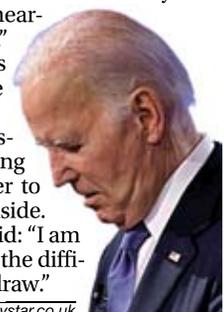
■ by KATE NELSON  
SLEEPY Joe Biden admitted he was close to dozing off in his TV debate with orange manbaby Donald Trump.

The US president, 81, blamed his gaffe-riddled appearance on jet lag - despite having two weeks to recover from his last trip.

He said: "I didn't have my best night, but the fact is, I wasn't very smart. I decided to travel around the world a couple times before the debate. Didn't listen to my staff and came back and nearly fell asleep on stage."

But top Democrats signalled they were not buying it.

A Texas congressman was the first sitting Democratic lawmaker to demand he step aside. Rep Lloyd Doggett said: "I am hopeful he will make the difficult decision to withdraw."



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**FOOTWORK:** Lining up Payday right on queue..

MORE people are hiring "professional queuers" to wait outside popular restaurants or at post offices.

Impatient customers are forking out as much as £24 an hour so they don't have to spend hours outside places with no reservation policies.

One queuer, who did not want to be named, said the demand has surged so much he quit his job to do it full-time through Taskrabbit.

He said: "I do this all week now. I get asked to wait at restaurants, or for concert tickets, or the post office - anything really."

"The longest I've waited is maybe three hours."

**FACT OF**

**THEY** might get airborne from time to time, but hippos can't swim or float so they won't be bothering you at your local pool.

**THE DAY**



**'EXCALIBUR':** Durandal Sword in stone swiped

THE legendary French Excalibur has vanished from the rock it has been stuck in for 1,300 years.

Police have launched an investigation into the disappearance of the historic Durandal sword.

The prized tourist attraction is believed to have been nicked from the village of Rocamadour, despite being embedded and chained to the stone 32ft above the ground.

The Durandal is often touted as France's version of Excalibur, the legendary sword of King Arthur.

Mayor Dominique Lenfant said he was "devastated" and "we're going to miss Durandal".

# Close Encounters of speeding kind

★ **PULL UFO-ver!** Cops stop an alien car seen flying-saucering down a motorway. The driver was off to a festival in Roswell, Crawford County Sheriff's Office in Missouri said. ★ They said they were "warned about our strict enforcement of warp speed."



# LOOK OUT FOR FLYING HIPPOS



by NINA MASSEY

**HIPPOS** can become airborne for substantial periods of time, say scientists.

When trotting fast, their feet leave the ground for up to 0.3 seconds at a time, a study showed.

Research from the Royal Veterinary College also suggests that unlike most large land animals, hippos almost exclusively trot rather than walk.

Hippopotamuses are among the largest land animals and often weigh more than two tons.

Prof John Hutchinson said:

## Two-ton mammals can take to air, boffins say

"We're thrilled to provide the first study purely focused on revealing how hippos walk and run."

"We were pleasantly surprised to see how hippos get airborne when they move quickly - it's really impressive."

He added: "It's hard to work

with hippos as they tend to stick to the water. They're also very dangerous. That's part of the reason why science knew little about how hippos move before our research."

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# SYDNIIE TAKES EXPRESS WAY

BRITAIN'S Got Talent champ **Sydnie Christmas** is wasting no time getting her music career up and running.

The Kent lass unleashes debut album *My Way* on September 20 and hits the road in support of it straight afterwards.

First single *Starlight Express* arrives next week, a special musical anthem for Syd: "I was in *Starlight Express* in Germany for years and it was such a huge part of my life. It means hope and light. It's such a full-circle moment."

Sydnie's 15-date *My Way* tour kicks off at the Glasshouse International Centre For Music in Gateshead, Tyne and Wear, on October 5.

She added: "After 10 years of trying to make it in the West End, I was very close to giving it all up."

"But I couldn't, it means everything to me, and I am so glad I kept going."

Tickets on sale Friday.



# TAYL FELLA'S BABY FEAR



**TRAVIS Kelce** got through making his live debut on **Taylor Swift's** tour by repeating "do not drop the baby" over and over to himself.

The NFL star had a "blast" performing alongside his girlfriend in London, saying: "I was up there with three professionals. You can do no wrong with Taylor on stage. I kept telling myself, 'Do not drop the baby. Hold on to the baby.' I've seen the show enough. Might as well put me to work here."



# WALLEN'S PARK RUN

**MORGAN Wallen** could have been hitting home runs instead of sweet Nashville high notes.

The "Moustache Lad", who becomes the first country star to headline BST Hyde Park in London today, almost become a pro baseball star until injury dashed his dreams.

Morgan's manager **Kathleen Flaherty** revealed: "Morgan was a baseball star in high school and then an injury derailed that dream."

"He returned to his musical roots and has never looked back."

Playing London's park is better than baseball though for Morgan.

He said: "To play where legendary artists like **Pink Floyd** and **The Rolling Stones** have played is a huge honour for me and my band."



# Jade's new Dream is a 'pop punch'



FRESH from a weekend blow-out at Glastonbury **Jade Thirlwall** has unveiled details of her debut solo single.

Going by just Jade, she drops *Angel Of My Dreams* on July 19. She said: "What I'm going for is a pop punch to the face. I want people to be like, 'Oh my God, I didn't expect that' - but then want to listen to it again."

Jade co-wrote *Angel Of My Dreams* in LA with **Steph Jones** among others. And the



former **Little Mix** star said: "I didn't want to do a safe first single, that was really important to me. I'm setting the tone of who I am as an artist on my own. I want people to hear it and be like, 'What the f\*\*\* is that song?'"

"My worst nightmare is for someone to hear my song and go, 'That's nice.'"

Jade is the last **Little Mix** member to go solo and she added: "The fans have waited long enough so now we just want to give it to them."

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# WIRED

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**SUKI Waterhouse's** other half **Robert Pattinson** isn't fussed by her singing about past fellas. She told *British Vogue*: "He couldn't really give a s\*\*\*. He's like, 'No one's better than me, so whatever!'"

WORLD

WIRED

**WOWING** Glastonbury has landed **London Grammar** their biggest UK shows. They play Glasgow's OVO Hydro on November 11 followed by Manchester and London arenas. A new LP arrives September.

WORLD

**RIHANNA** hasn't lost her sense of humour while she keeps us waiting for new music. Fans have been hounding her with "where's R9?" messages for years now. This week while launching more Fenty beauty makeup she jumped on a chat with rapper **GloRilla**, who shared their somewhat ironic exchange. Rihanna asked her: "I know dis wild hypocritical, but when the album drop?" Lol!



# Sarah tributes took their toll

## EMOTIONAL REUNION FOR GIRLS

**PAYING** tribute to late bandmate **Sarah Harding** night after night on their reunion tour has taken its toll on **Girls Aloud**.

The band wrapped their razzle-dazzle comeback with a stripped-back intimate show at O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire on Tuesday.

Throughout, touching tributes were paid to bandmate Harding, who died in 2021 following a battle with breast cancer.

Introducing Sarah's solo version of *I'll Stand By You*, **Nadine Coyle** said: "This is the part of the show it was really hard to be honest, to do it every single night, because we get to do something so special with Sarah... as much as we got to experience and sing with everybody, we were having to live



**MOVING:** Hologram. **Kimberley Walsh** and **Cheryl** hug

that moment night after night after night, and we really held it together.

"If you've been a supporter, or looked at us for a long time, you see that there's such a huge difference. So we're just trying to have a moment for us all to be together, to honour Sarah in the best way possible." Shrinking

their super-sized arena spectacle for a more low-key setting, Girls Aloud still delivered *Something Kinda Ooooh*.

"It's so nice to have everyone so close and cosy," said **Cheryl**. Dressed in co-ordinating black-and-silver outfits, the group kicked off the gig - for O2 and Virgin Media priority cus-

tomers - with a barrage of bops - *The Show and Love Machine*, before raising heart levels with *Jump!* accompanied by confetti cannon blasts, which Nadine admitted she is not fond of.

She laughed: "I have been fighting the confetti the whole time."

"I have been personally attacked by it on at least three or four occasions - one time I choked!"

Slipping into shimmering golden gowns, the chart-toppers closed with fan favourite *The Promise* - ending, fittingly, with Sarah's stand-alone line: "Here I am, walking Primrose, wondering when I'm gonna see you again."

No matter the venue, Girls Aloud proved they really are Untouchable.

**WHEN** it comes to the art of upstaging, **Rita Ora** is a master. All eyes were on the golden *Masked Singer* belle when she rocked up to **Girls Aloud's** intimate O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire gig in *Something Kind Of... er* sheer and intimate herself. To refer to a couple of GA classics - *Sexy! Yes Yes Yes* and *What Will The Neighbours Say?*



### SICK: Merchant Sneezy Stephen

STEPHEN Merchant found out he was allergic to his own bed. The comic suffered "streaming eyes and couldn't stop sneezing". Merchant, 49, discovered his old mattress was to blame.

# MISSING LAD 'WATCH THEFT' Riddle of Jay Rolex

JAY Slater told pals he had "stolen" a £12,000 Rolex watch and was trying to sell it before he vanished, a TV investigator claims.

by CHARLES WADE-PALMER

Thomas said he was "unable to validate" the theft claim.

Mark Williams-Thomas, inset, says mates of the teen revealed he had sent them a Snapchat message confessing to the theft.

Jay's last known location was near the village of Masca after he left the Airbnb at around 8am. Mark claims Jay messaged at least three friends saying he was lost on his trek.

The ex-detective said Jay, 19, made the claim while travelling to an Airbnb with two British men in the early hours of June 17.



Then at around 8.50am he phoned pal Lucy, saying he had 1% battery and was in the "middle of nowhere".

Cops had said they were investigating a scuffle outside a beach club where Jay had been partying the night he went missing in Tenerife. A fight is said to have broken out involving an eastern European man who claimed his timepiece had been swiped. Mr Williams-

Official search efforts for the teen were called off last weekend, nearly two weeks after he went missing.

Mr Williams-Thomas claims the apprentice bricklayer was "scared" and had not wanted to return to the remote holiday let.

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# JAG JUNIOR

★ MICK Jagger's youngest son proves he is a chip off the old rock with his crazy dance moves.

Devi, seven, is the spitting image of his music icon dad as he goes wild and pulls the same facial expression.

★ Sir Mick's girlfriend Melanie Hamrick, the boy's mum, shared the images on her Instagram, saying: "I am beyond blessed to be his Mama!"



# The last post for mini-op

A POSTMISTRESS at what is believed to be the UK's smallest Post Office is retiring after 47 years.

Jane Tudor, 77, is stepping down after running Bobbington Post Office near Stourbridge, West Mids, from her bungalow since 1977.

The Post Office is actually just a serving hatch where customers have to stand on her porch veranda to be served.

She said: "Occasionally you would get a new customer turn up, looking very bemused."



## WHAT'S UP?

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# Beards indicate maturity

GROWING a beard is a sign that men are ready to settle down.

Researchers recruited men aged 18-40 with different levels of facial hair - ranging from clean-shaven to full beards.

They quizzed them on how important they rated "social motivations" such as friends, status-seeking and seeking a partner.

The report by the University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland, concluded: "Men having more facial hair reported less mate-seeking motivation."



# HANNAH ACES IT

★ **TED Lasso star Hannah Waddingham looks ace as she gets into the spirit of Wimbledon.**  
The actress, 49, put in an animated display yesterday as she watched the Centre Court action unfold.

★ **Hannah pulled faces and cheered as she wowed in a summer frock and blazer.**



**COURT UP:** Waddingham gets into tennis action while watching from SW19 Royal Box

# YOU'RE OFF YER ZED SON

## TikToker claim there's 27 letters in alphabet

by CHRISTINE YOUNAN

A TikTok user left people in shock after revealing the alphabet actually has a 27th letter - but not everyone is convinced.

TikToker @zachdfilms3 has gone viral after sharing a post claiming the ampersand is the 27th letter. He explained: "This is an ampersand and believe it or not it used to be the 27th letter in the alphabet."

"You see back in the day this symbol came after the letter Z and signified the word 'and'. But when reciting the alphabet, students weren't allowed to just say 'and' after Z.

"Instead they were taught to differentiate the symbol by saying 'per se' before it, it sounded something like this Q R S T U V W X Y Z and. And 'per se and' ampersand."

One user commented: "Okay the ampersand one is actually pretty cool."

Another said: "So what's why we say Y AND Z? Wow."

But some remained sceptical, with one person stating: "That is NOT an amper-



**EASY AS ABC:** Learning letters

sand, this is an 'and' symbol." The term "ampersand" first entered the English dictionary in 1835. Initially, it was recognised as a standalone letter and students in Britain were educated to consider it as the 27th letter of the alphabet.

Pictures: TIM MERRY

# SIR CLIFF: I AM NOT A LEGEND!

CLIFF Richard insists he's not a "legend" - just lucky.

The Summer Holiday star, 83, has sold millions of records, bagged 68 top 10 singles and had two chart-topping albums in a career of more than 65 years.

But Sir Cliff said: "I enjoy being, as Bruce Welch named it, a 'leg-end'."

"It's a term one could never get used to, and one I

by **ANDREW JAMESON**

would never have assumed would be possible. I have had the most amazing career and just love doing what I do. It's up to others to name it - but I call it lucky."

Cliff has amassed four Christmas No1 singles and is widely regarded as being one of the most culturally significant artists in British music history.



ICON: Richard

## Be kind and get a boost

THE high from doing a good deed lasts for four hours, research has found.

Brits typically carry out 223 selfless acts a year, with opening doors for others, taking in parcels and giving directions being the most common, said the poll by Mast-Jaegermeister UK.

Psychotherapist Emma Reed-Turrell said: "Positive interactions are good for our mental health as our brains release oxytocin."



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# FISH IS UP BIT CREEK

■ by **SALONI MATHUR**  
★ **A HUNGRY** Alaskan brown bear catches an unsuspecting salmon. Snapper Taylor Thomas Albright took the stunning pic in Katmai National Park.  
★ He said: "I am fascinated by how agile and strong the bears are, even when standing on the edge of a waterfall and balancing themselves on slippery rocks while catching salmon."

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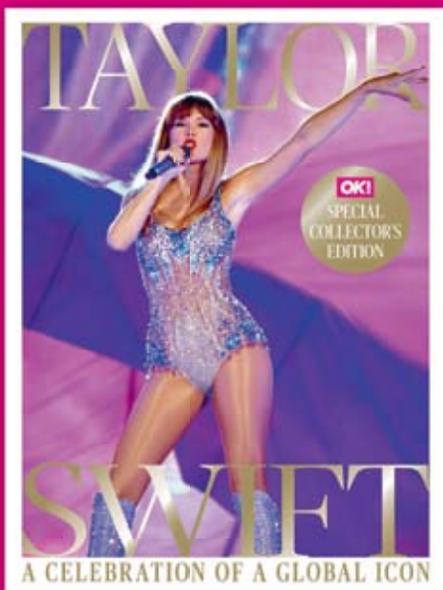
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AWARD-WINNING

# STAR PAWS

By Catherine Lamb



## Pets having a ball

WIMBLEDON is back - and it's not just us humans that love all things tennis.

Our furry friends are also ball obsessed. In fact, UK dogs go through a staggering 148million tennis balls a year, according to new research by Pets at Home.

And while fetch is a favourite for many canine companions, it's important to play it safe.

Here, Kathryn Patel, Head of Pets at Pets at Home, shares some tips for your next game...

● Ensure the ball is large enough for your dog to carry without the risk of

accidental swallowing but is still small enough to hold comfortably.

● Pick a ball that is suitable for the way your pooch plays and their chewing habits. If they are destructive, go for a durable one, if they like to rip the felt off, then go for a rubber ball.

● Always supervise your pet during play, and regularly check their toys, removing and replacing them if they become damaged.

● Give them a 10-minute walk to warm up first. It's also important not to encourage repeated chasing of a ball as this can lead to injury.



## HELP STOP UK GOING TO DOGS



IT'S election day, and while many of us may be undecided on who to vote for, it seems we all like an animal lover.

In a poll, almost half of Brits admitted they are more likely to support a parliamentary candidate if they love animals.

The survey from Battersea Dogs & Cats Home and research platform Focalldata found a political party's animal welfare policies would influence who a member of the public voted for.

I must say, that is certainly the case for me.

But despite clear support for animal welfare on the political agenda, there have been many missed opportunities for Parliament to im-

prove it in the UK. Michael Webb, the charity's head of policy and public affairs, said: "At Battersea we have spent decades using our voice for dogs and cats, campaigning for positive changes to the law that would better protect animals across the UK."



OWNER: PM Sunak

"For every hard-fought success we've had, such as significantly increasing sentences for animal cruelty, there have been many more Bills that have failed to cross the finish line."

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FRIGHT: Donovan

## Jason's a jittery veteran

JASON Donovan still gets stage fright despite being in showbiz for decades.

The Aussie veteran found fame in Neighbours before his pop career.

But ahead of a stint in The Rocky Horror Show he told Gaby Roslin's podcast how it can be torture in the spotlight.

Jason, 56, said: "I was very nervous on Strictly, you know. I was nervous on that show. I get nervous.

"I get anxious quite a lot, actually. I still get anxious going on stage, eight times a week - that anxiety I could do without sometimes - or seven.

"I'm trying to push that ratio down to six."

## THE GOLDEN YEAR

Can you guess the year from these five clues?

1. The Royal yacht Britannia is decommissioned after 43 years of service.
2. JK Rowling's book Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone is published.
3. The UK hands sovereignty of Hong Kong back to China.
4. Channel 5 is launched, becoming Britain's fifth terrestrial TV channel.
5. Elton John's Candle in the Wind, reworked to mark Princess Diana's death, goes to No.1.

No Googling! Answer in tomorrow's paper. Yesterday's year: 2022

## 38 pups at home

A CRUEL dog owner kept 38 greyhounds in his garage and conservatory with no food or water.

One had a broken leg. Daniel Simpson, 45, of Ormsey, North Yorks, admitted five offences and was banned for keeping animals for a decade by Teesside magistrates.

# MUM'S CRAZY HOSPITAL BAG



## Demi is maid up

by BRENDAN MCFADDEN

★ DEMI Rose makes waves with her bombshell curves in a mermaid-themed outfit by the sea.

The model, 29, shared a snap from Ibiza in a floral bathing suit and netted skirt on Instagram, with the caption: "POV: you're on a mermaid date."

★ Her fans loved the snap, with one commenting "so dreamy" and another saying she was "so beautiful".



## EastEnders top in birth-kit supplies

A DAD was left red-faced after his pregnant girlfriend revealed the contents of a hospital bag he packed for her - including a Max Branning T-shirt, hair gel and a whistle.

Liv Nightingale, 23, was "baffled" after her partner, Ryan, 25, dropped off the pregnancy "essentials".

She opened the bag to find a full make-up bag, shower gel, a Dyson Airwrap hair styler and three toothbrushes.

Also in the bag were two "night-out" dresses, an EastEnders-themed Max Branning T-shirt and a whistle.

Liv then got a message from Ryan - who had gone home from Worcester Hospital to look after their toddler - telling her that he "hoped the bag was OK".

The stay-at-home mum shared photos on TikTok and brutally rated the bag a measly three out of 10.

Liv, from Worcester, said: "I was baffled. There was no sense behind it.

"The midwives found it hilarious. I find it hilarious.

by JAKE MEEUS-JONES

I'd have liked some underwear, a towel for starters and a normal T-shirt though."

This hospital trip was a false alarm and Liv is hoping for slightly different kit when the time comes.

She added: "He said it's forced him to rethink a few things but stands by the Max Branning T-shirt."

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WAITING: Ryan, Liv and their daughter

## A chat-up line sorted

MOBILE phone coverage has been introduced to some of the rail tunnels under central London.

Transport for London says 4G and 5G connections are available on the Elizabeth Line.

## Quizzing is the answer

BRITS just love to don their thinking caps - and 13% of us claim to be "dedicated quizzers".

Some 28% find TV quizzes relaxing, while 67% say they boost general knowledge, Gala Bingo found.

# Box office flops!



SCREENS: Home worker

by ISOBEL DICKINSON

**STAFF working from home are secretly binge-watching daytime telly for hours.**

A survey found 82% admitted viewing an average of two hours of their favourite programmes during work time every day.

ITV's This Morning and quiz Tipping Point, along with Channel 4 cooking competition Come Dine With Me were the top

## DAYTIME TV BINGES WHILE ON THE JOB

three programmes watched. The survey of hybrid workers found Gen Z - those aged 18-24 - were the most likely to watch TV during working hours, with 91%

owning up. Men also watch for an average 19 minutes longer per day than women.

Workers in London enjoy the most TV during the working day,

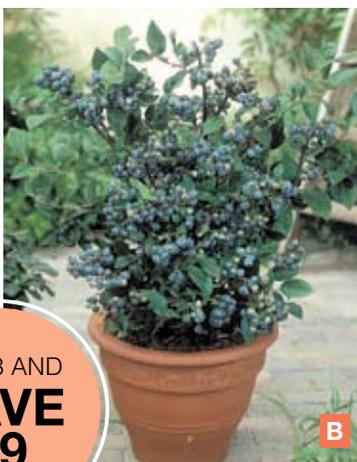
an average of two hours and 52 minutes - 22 minutes more than the national average.

Stuart Deavall, at TonerGiant who commissioned the study, said: "Working from the comfort of your home can come with its own distractions... the findings of our survey indicate just how prevalent watching TV has become for hybrid workers."

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## PSYCHO SPIES A PIGEON PIE



★ A PSYCHO seagull swoops on a pigeon - and tries to eat it. The giant gull grabbed the bird in its beak after a flock gorged on breadcrumbs, left. ★ Luckily the pigeon escaped - but lost a few feathers in the process. An onlooker said: "I caught sight of this monster in Glasgow. This one had zero interest in the bread. It was just using it as a distraction to savage pigeons."



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# BLUFFER'S GUIDE

TO GENERAL ELECTIONS

with PAUL DONNELLEY

Today the country goes to the polls to elect a new Government. Here are some facts and figures about General Elections.

- IN June 1913, suffragette Emily Davison threw herself in front of the King's horse Anmer at the Epsom Derby in protest for votes for women. But at the time not all men could vote – including the jockey of the horse she brought down.
- The Representation of the People Act 1918 allowed all men aged over 21 and some women over 30 to vote.
- The biggest electorate since 1918 was Romford in Essex in 1935 with 167,939 voters. They elected John Parker for Labour.
- 1935 was also the first time a General Election was held on a Thursday. There is no legal obligation to hold elections on a Thursday. The day was chosen to encourage voter turnout. Friday was thought to be too close to the weekend and the authorities did not want to pay staff extra to work weekends.
- No sitting Prime Minister has ever lost their seat although Boris Johnson came closest in 2019, winning Uxbridge & South Ruislip by just 5,034 votes – the smallest majority of any sitting PM since 1924.
- The House of Commons has a total of 650 MPs.
- By convention, Labour, Lib Dems and Conservatives do not stand a candidate against the Speaker of the House.
- In September 2011, the Tory and Lib Dem coalition introduced the Fixed-term Parliaments Act limiting the power of the PM to call a General Election. The Act was then abolished in March 2022.
- Two General Elections were held in 1974 – in February and October. The first resulted in a small Labour victory but PM Harold Wilson was 17 short of a majority and received fewer votes than the Tories. The second gave Wilson a majority of three.
- 1974 was the first time two General Elections had been held in the same year since 1910.
- The lowest Conservative vote share was in 1918 in Pontypridd, Glamorgan when Arthur Seaton won 260 votes – 1.1% of the total. The seat was won by Liberal T. A. Lewis who won 56.1% of the votes.



Labour's lowest vote share was at Glasgow Bridgeton in 1935. Samuel McLaren received 594 votes, 2.18% of the total cast. The seat was won by James Maxton, the leader of the Independent Labour Party, with 17,691 votes (64.95%).

- Since 1900, only Maggie Thatcher and Tony Blair, above, have won three consecutive General Elections.
- In the 1955 General Election, Ulster Unionist George Currie won North Down with a 96.9% share of the vote. Four years later he held the seat with 98% of the votes.



# Keeping a cool shed

★ AN Irish-themed bar – complete with Guinness memorabilia and a Ryanair drinks trolley and seats – is in the running for Britain's best shed. A final 20 contenders, including an office, a lioness' den and a jigsaw shrine, have been picked from among 160 fun-packed entries.

★ Marianne Shillingford, of competition sponsors Cuprinol, said: "I love seeing these sheddies showcase their creativity, designing spaces that make the most of their time outdoors."

# THE JAWNS OF DEFEAT

## Climate crisis 'to wipe out sharks'

**SHARKS could be killed off by climate change, warn boffins.**

Projected global warming scenarios are predicting a "catastrophic decrease" in baby shark hatchings from 82% to 11% by 2100. Scientists say that ocean warming and acidification are caused by more carbon dioxide dissolving into the water.

by STEPHEN BEECH  
Noemie Coulon at BOREA, France, said: "The embryos of egg-laying species are especially sensitive to environmental conditions. "The hatching success of embryos is a crucial factor for population dynamics. In the case of skates and sharks, which have a slow pace of life, low hatching rates could

be critical for population renewal." She says small-spotted catsharks – one of the most common species in Europe – are already feeling the pressure. Ms Coulon said the species is "experiencing habitat loss in coastal areas, particularly during the summer."



## Longer life's a fin-win

A RARE shark that lives for up to 500 years could hold anti-ageing secrets that help extend human life. The muscle metabolism of the Greenland shark – our longest-living vertebrate – may reveal answers to their amazing longevity, new research shows. The findings could lead to improvements in human cardiovascular health or help shark conservation in the face of climate change, say scientists. Ewan Camplisson, from the University of Manchester, said: "We want to understand what adaptations they have that allow them to live so long."

# FIT FOR BRAINS

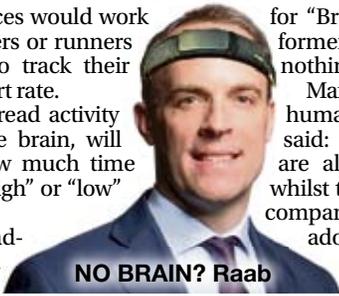
## Headband tracks health

BRITS could soon be using brain-scanning headbands to track their "mental workload".

Boffins say the devices would work in the same way walkers or runners use fitness watches to track their daily step count or heart rate.

The devices, which read activity and blood flow in the brain, will help folk monitor how much time they spend under a "high" or "low" mental workload.

It is thought the headbands will also check your mood and levels



NO BRAIN? Raab

of concentration and help with meditation. But the news is not so important for "Brainless" Dominic Raab, the former Foreign Secretary, who has nothing between his ears.

Max Wilson, a professor of human-computer interaction, said: "Personal brain scanners are already on the market and whilst they are still in their infancy compared to smartwatches, early adopters are already starting to use them."

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# LEIA GEAR A BID SEXY

★ THE saucy slave outfit Carrie Fisher wore as Princess Leia in Return Of The Jedi is up for auction. Her eye-catching costume from the 1983 movie has a starting price of £23,000. ★ Carrie, who died in 2016 aged 60, is quoted as saying of the revealing bikini: "Dignity was out of the question." Other memorabilia being sold by Heritage Auctions in Dallas includes Macaulay Culkin's clothes from Home Alone, Supergirl's costume and Thor's hammer.



COSTUME  
DRAMA: Home Alone, Supergirl and Thor's hammer

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# Warthogs hog water



★ A FAMILY of warthogs takes a welcome break for a drink as the temperature soars. Phillip Chang spotted the scene in South Africa in 43C heat. He said: "Animals were always coming and going throughout the day. It was extremely hot and dry out there." "There was constant activity around the pond due to the heat. I had the luxury to choose unique and interesting frames."



Pictures: PHILLIP CHANG/SOLENT

## Barking ice-up-bum tip

VETS have slated a bizarre trend encouraging owners to help their dogs stay cool by sticking ice cubes in their bottom or under their tail.

The PDSA made the warning after seeing the bonkers advice on social media.

Vet nurse Nina Downing branded the trend "unnecessary and not recommended."

She urged owners to let hot dogs lick ice blocks instead.

But she added: "Make sure the cubes are an appropriate size. They shouldn't be a size that risks being caught in a dog's throat."

# EEK! JERRY 'SMARTER' THAN TOM

by KATE NELSON

**MICE** are masters of "tactical deception", say boffins – proving that Jerry really was smarter than Tom.

A study by researchers in Italy found the sneaky rodents use tricks to escape predators.

It mirrors the behaviour of the famous cartoon character mouse who was never caught by the frustrated feline.

In the study, scientists placed a number of chambers with just one entrance for wild mice to hide in near a forest.

They watched how one species of mouse would use clever ruses to escape another, often larger, one.

Smaller or weaker mice ducked behind one side of the chamber when a bigger one ran after them. They would then quickly nip out of the entrance hole to escape.

The study was published in the Royal Society Open Science journal.



# HUNK CHRIS 'IS HEADING HOME'

HOLLYWOOD hero Chris Hemsworth could be returning to Home and Away.

The Marvel favourite, 40, got his big break in 2004 on the Aussie soap playing Kim Hyde, alongside Kate Ritchie as Sally Fletcher.

Now Kate's Nova radio co-host Michael "Wippa" Wipfli says the two will reunite.

He said he had written a script and organised a

by **BETHANY WHITTINGHAM** former Home and Away star to film scenes with her.

Wippa played a scrambled voicemail, to which Kate said: "I know who I think it sounds like."

"He doesn't work on Home and Away anymore. It's not Chris Hemsworth, is it?"

Wippa said: "You'll find out when the scene's on."



ON SHOW: Chris

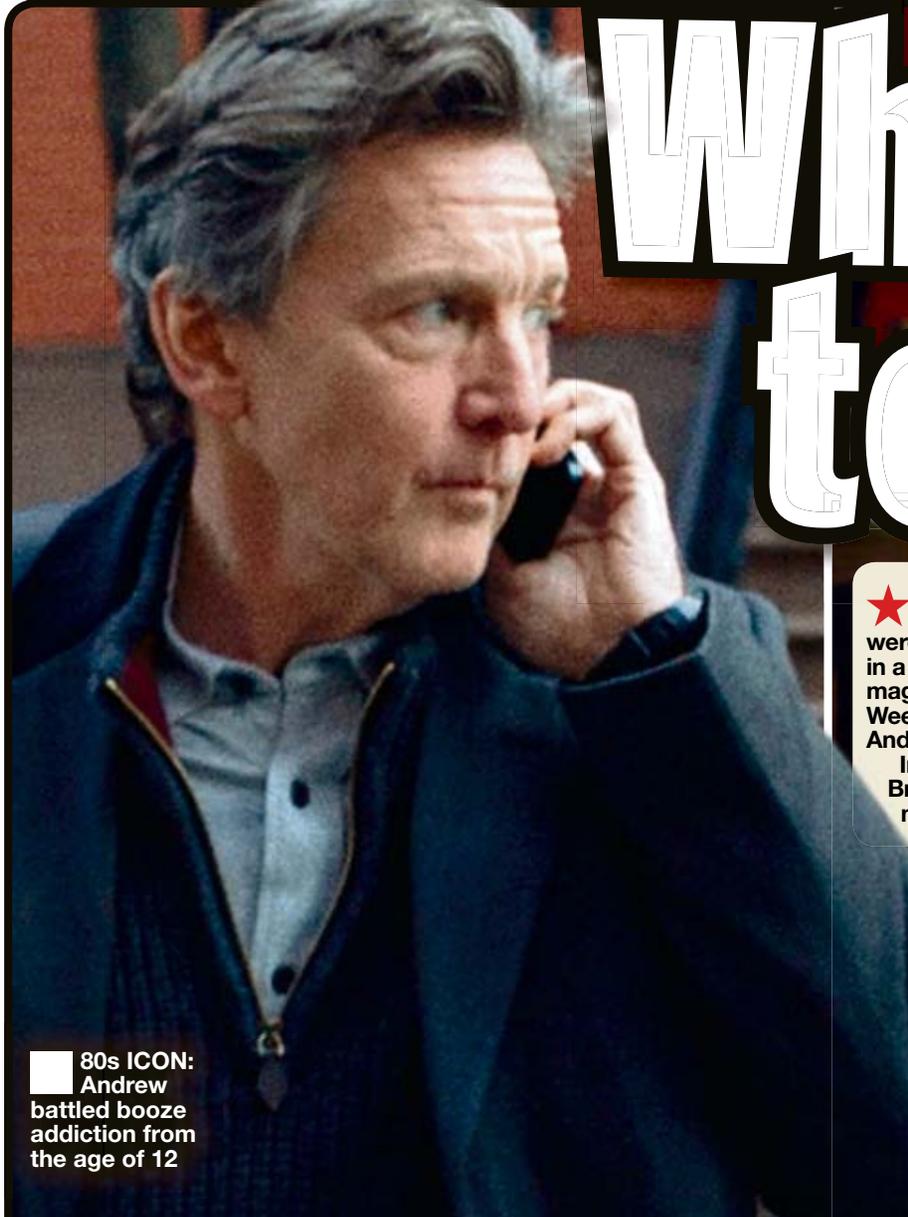
# Mafia's bunker raided

A MAFIA boss has had an £8million stash of treasure seized by police.

Patrizio Bosti, who led a Camorra clan in Naples, had money, jewellery and luxury watches hidden in a bunker at a house in the city in southern Italy.

The pad belonged to Bosti's son-in-law, Luca Esposito, who was arrested on Monday along with three other people, including Bosti's son Ettore and daughter Patrizia.

# 80s TEEN IDOLS TEL



80s ICON: Andrew McCarthy battled booze addiction from the age of 12



**ANDREW McCARTHY:** He was one of the biggest stars of the 80s, with movies like *Pretty In Pink*, *The Breakfast Club* and *Mannequin*, left, to his credit following a breakthrough in *Class*.

But the Brat Pack label rubbed him up the wrong way until writing his memoir which spurred on this documentary.

Few realised 1993 *Weekend at Bernie's II* was ever made and a tussle with *Law & Order: Criminal Intent* creator Dick Wolf saw him fired in 2003. Andrew guest starred five years later across from *Sex and the City's* Chris Noth.

Moving behind the camera he worked on *Gossip Girl* and Netflix series *Orange Is the New Black* and became a National Geographic travel writer and novelist.

Andrew admitted battling a booze addiction from age 12. He has been married twice and has two children with his current wife, Irish writer and director Dolores Rice, left, and a son with first wife Carol Schneider.



**EMILIO ESTEVEZ:** Son of Martin Sheen and brother of Charlie Sheen, Emilio was never going to avoid attention. He was seen as the leader of the Brat Pack following success in *The Outsiders* and hits like *St Elmo's Fire*.

He was in 1996 release *Mission: Impossible* and the *Young Guns* and *Mighty Ducks* franchises, and played a Vietnam War veteran alongside his dad in *The War at Home*. He also directed a music video for Bon Jovi and Bobby, a film about Robert F. Kennedy's assassination.

Emilio dated fellow stars Mimi Rogers, Demi Moore and married singer Paula Abdul. He has two children with model Carey Salley.



**MOLLY RICE:** Candles and low, hurled the was a child a Strokes, to tee While a few came next, the too much an Paris to act February this at New York F talk on Brats. Previously Boys rapper has been ma has three ch current hubb Gianopoulos.

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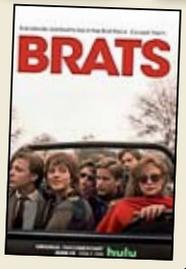
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# Whatever happened to the Brat Pack?

**HOT** young things of the big screen in the 80s were dubbed the Brat Pack in a 1985 New York Magazine interview – a title that would become a weekend at Bernie's star crew McCarthy loathed. In his new documentary Brats, which is streaming now on Disney+, the

61-year-old discusses with some of his fellow talents how the moniker cursed their ambitions to be taken seriously as actors rather than simply teen idols. **★ Here KIM CARR** explores what happened to the Brat Pack favourites...



**MAGNIFICENT SEVEN:** Brat Pack stars in hit 1985 flick St Elmo's Fire



**ANGWALD:** Sixteen years after her role in Pretty In Pink, became a California native, who became an actress in Diff'rent Strokes and an idol status.

By mainstream films she had become the attention became and Molly moved to Paris to work in French films. In 1991 she modelled for the cover of Fashion Week but she was asked to

dating Beastie Boy Ad-Rock, Molly has been married twice and has two children with her ex-boyfriend, writer Panio



**DEMI MOORE:** Building on her Brat Pack success Demi ruled the box office in the 90s with hits including Ghost, Indecent Proposal, below, and Striptease before G.I. Jane and Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle.

Her love life took over her day job making headlines thanks to marriages to Bruce Willis and Ashton Kutcher, along with her seemingly never-aging figure.

Demi has three daughters with Bruce, who she remains close to, and has been supporting his now wife Emma following his 2023 frontotemporal dementia diagnosis. Her daughter with Ashton was stillborn at six months gestation. Last month Demi's big screen comeback in horror flick The Substance won her rave reviews at the Cannes Film Festival premiere.



**ROB LOWE:** Catapulted to fame following The Outsiders, above, Class and St Elmo's Fire, Rob was involved in a sex tape scandal in 1988.

At the age of 24 the clip showed him romping with Tara Sibert, 22, and Lena Jan Parsons, 16, after meeting in an Atlanta nightclub – the legal age of con-

sent in Georgia at the time was 14. Rob went to rehab and swapped booze for meditation.

But legal battles with three former nannies also hit his image.

He has been married to make-up artist Sheryl Berkoff since 1991 and they have two sons.

Last year Rob starred in Netflix film Dog Gone.



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**NOBODY:** Retired footballer

## Beckham shouldn't be in the Royal Box

What on earth is that nobody Beckham doing in the Royal Box, he's a nobody! **ANGIE B**

Wow, 25 yrs of posh n becks. A former footballer and a fashion designer, sometimes a singer. I'm sorry, but the real heroes for me are our brave UK soldiers out there, and nhs workers that more than deserve knight-hoods and the freedom of the city. **OZZY, LONDON**

I'm not impressed that 6 private jets were used to bring family of England team to Germany. Obviously the spoils have no thought for the environment. **Fez**

England fans r buying bog rolls 2 throw on the pitch if team play s\*\*\*. **o.a.p newcastle**

If the UEFA Idiots ban Jude for the swiss game i would pull the England team out of their s\*\*\* competition if i was in charge of the FA. **THFC BIFFO**

Well done the Daily Star for the article about Dad's Army. It was without doubt one of the best situation comedies ever on our TV screens. The cast was perfect; the humour was sublime especially around the British class-system. I still watch the repeats now and I still remember hearing the tragic news of James Beck's death over the radio, aged 11, eating breakfast with my Mum. **Robert, Boston**

Interesting to read about the last days of Mammoths on an island above Siberia. I've always thought the reason for their demise was clear: they missed Noah's ark along with unicorns and all drowned. No mystery then. **Bob, Lincolnshire**

My mate said to me what rhymes with orange, I said no it doesn't. Give it time. **The Wasp**



Any chance of a pic of Homes Under The Hammer's ravishing redhead Martel Maxwell, please, especially if she's showing her gorgeous legs! **Brian, Mid-Wales**

# Sites must axe monkey torture vids

I was very glad to see coverage of the monkey abuse and torture that is going on on a daily basis on Facebook, Instagram and tiktok. I have signed petitions, reported the abuse but facebook comes back with "not breaking their standards" no matter how many times you block and report, the channels pop up again under different names. I have witnessed some of the extreme abuse of these poor innocent infant monkeys, it's absolutely heart breaking to see what these poor animals suffer at the hands of these awful heartless abusers. **Janie Buchanan**

So a spud shortage. Means the price of chips will rise. Oooh here we go. I remember when this happened many many years ago. Bad potato crop/blight and the chippys loved it when they increased 50-60% prices. Never came down tho did they. So I assume the same again. A good old fish and chip supper when I was younger was a cheap meal. Not now. And more so looks like it coming up. **Bazza 180**

Politicians have to look to their own actions and inactions over the past 14 years and beyond. They've been happy to impose austerity on the working class reduce public services wound down the armed services to a dangerously low level whilst they themselves have had above average pay rises a ridiculous expenses system that's been well milked and abused by MPs. Promised 40 new hospitals promised leveling up promised reforms in the care system delivered nothing. And they're at it again promising everything they will say anything but

tackle the real problems no wonder mps are despised. Time to reduce the number of mps and lords they talk about low productivity in the workplace that's rich. **Pomfretian**

why is it that when the medical staff - or should I say NHS - ask for an increase in wages & have to wait weeks and sometimes months for all the bloody hard work they do, yet the MPs at the end of nearly every year, have an increased of bloody thousands plus perks such as drinks food for nothing, tax payers money, **Elvis**

Come Friday morning when Rishi Sunak and Penny Mordaunt are looking for work they could get a job in The Muppet Show I hear its in vogue over California. **Ged Cleveland**

Rishi soon-axed. **Guitarman**

so Rees-Mogg wants to build a wall in the English Channel. I bet he couldnt put a bit of muck on a brick!! **Jimi Peters DISS**

Have you noticed that an amusing anagram of RISHI SUNAK just happens to be HI RISK ANUS. It also sounds like a good description of the guy who racially abused him last week. **RICHARD IN SWANSEA**

Bringing back that clown Bojo as a late substitute to election campaign, desperation. Folk haven't 4got about PARTYGATE. **ANGST**

The Conservatives have brought back Boris Johnson in a campaigning role. I know that Boris made a mess of things during covid, but were the Conservatives right to get rid of a leader who won them an 80 seat majority in in 2019? **Dave Pinfold, Stockport**

Labour are talking about bringing hospital appointments down, where I live in Oxford the JR (John Radcliffe) has a BIG problem with parking you have to arrive at least two hours before your appointment and still cannot find a parking space and queue to wait for a space, they talk, talk but nothing happens. **patdonkey**

Loved the article on Cucumbers. In the 1950s we had gas lighting and my Dad picked one up and swung it round saying "this should be pickled and thrown away". He let it go and it swung into the light fitting, shattering the gas mantle. My Mum was not overly impressed. **HAZ**

**JOKE OF THE DAY**  
Is Mick Stubbles any good. They keep mentioning him at Wimbledon and I haven't seen him play yet.  
**Bolton Bird**

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Lovely ladybird on a flower

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### BACK: Tracy-Ann Watt an Enders return..

TRACY-ANN Oberman has signed up to make a sensational return to **EastEnders**.

She is reprising her role as Chrissie Watts almost 19 years after being jailed for murdering hubby Den, played by Leslie Grantham.

Filming for her come-back has already started and she is thrilled to be back on set.

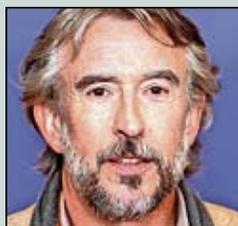
She said: "Chrissie was such a great character to play - a victim or a villain. She is a real fan favourite."

"The scripts are fantastic and I hope the viewers enjoy her as much as I am enjoying playing her again."

Tracy-Ann's return will air this autumn.

The soap's executive producer Chris Clenshaw said: "I'm keeping tight-lipped on the exact circumstances relating to her return for the time being."

"But what I can promise is that it's never quiet when Chrissie Watts is around."



### LEGEND: Steve Coo for telly hit

STEVE Coogan has landed a role in Netflix series **The Sandman**.

The comedy legend will voice dog Barnabas for the second series.

An insider said: "Barnabas is loyal and loving but an outspoken cynic. He's man's best friend and man's sharpest critic."

Other stars joining the cast include Freddie Fox and Jack Gleeson.



### IT'S MARK & SPENCER

REALITY telly hunks Mark Wright and Spencer Matthews have signed a big-money deal to model for Marks & Spencer.

The pair have become ambassadors for the high street chain's menswear range.

Bosses hired them because their names make them the

perfect duo for the brand - Mark and Spencer.

Spencer said: "Having Mark and I working together is pure genius and makes me laugh every time I think about it."

Mark added: "I couldn't be happier to be joining the team and working with Spencer."



# Joe's dodgy gut made box life hell



## TOASTER 'TOO COMPLICATED'

JOE Swash got food poisoning while filming new game show **Battle In The Box**.

The former **EastEnders** star won a sandwich toaster during one round but didn't know how to use it.

And, after failing to cook a chicken and sausage sandwich properly, he became violently ill.

After things started to go wrong, he admitted: "I think I've

given us a bit of food poisoning. "I put sausages in the toaste machine... there's something happening in my belly."

Joe was trapped inside a giant box with teammate Seann Walsh for the duration of the game - 24 hours.

That meant that when he had made repeated trips to the toilet it was hell for them both.

Seann said: "It's like being punched in the face with s\*\*\*!"

The show's host Jimmy Carr

thought it was hilarious. He said: "Joe was so happy to win a toastie maker and then managed to give himself dysentery by cooking with it. I mean you really have to f\*\*\* up a toasted sandwich to give yourself dysentery!"

Others stars on the series include Katherine Ryan, Ellie Taylor, Jamie Laing and Guz Khan.

● It starts on July 16 at 9pm on Dave and new streaming service U.



PRIZE FOOLS: Joe and Seann

Turn back a page for today's HOT TV news

All programmes are listed in British Summer Time (BST).

film ratings

★★★★★ Brilliant  
 ★★★★ Very Good  
 ★★★ Good  
 ★★ Average  
 ★ Bad

(R) Repeat

**BBC One**

**6.00am Breakfast** News headlines.  
**9.30 Morning Live** Magazine.  
**10.45 Scam Interceptors** A mother and daughter let scammers take control of their phones.  
**11.15 Homes Under the Hammer** Featuring property renovations in East Sussex, Co Durham and Nottinghamshire.  
**12.15pm Bargain Hunt** Two teams set out to bag bargains at Detling Antiques Fair in Kent.  
**1.00 BBC News at One; Weather**  
**1.45 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Coverage of day four of the grass-court tournament at the All England Club, where second-round matches are scheduled to be played in the men's and ladies' singles. Elena Rybakina's defence of the title continued at this stage last year when she claimed victory over Alize Cornet on Centre Court. Over on the No 1 Court, Alexander Zverev finally completed his first-round match against Gijs Brouwer, prevailing 6-4, 7-6, 7-6.  
**6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather**  
**6.30 Regional News; Weather**

**BBC Two**

**6.45am Beechgrove Garden** George Anderson and Calum Clunie tend to the vines, fig plants and fruit bushes. (R)  
**7.15 Garden Rescue: Top of the Plots** Charlie Dimmock and Harry and David Rich look back at some of the most therapeutic and poignant garden transformations. (R)  
**8.00 Sign Zone: Gardeners' World** Monty Don tackles some pruning needed on one of his favourite crabapples. (R)  
**9.00 BBC News** Headlines.  
**11.00 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Isa Guha and Clare Balding present coverage of day four of the prestigious Grand Slam tournament from the All England Club, where the second round of the men's and ladies' singles competition is scheduled to continue.  
**3.00pm LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Further coverage of day four of the Grand Slam tournament from the All England Club, featuring more second-round matches in the men's and ladies' singles competitions.

**ITV1**

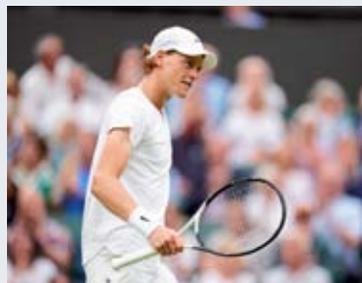
**6.00am Good Morning Britain** A lively mix of news, current affairs and lifestyle features.  
**9.00 Lorraine** Entertainment and the latest fashion news.  
**10.00 This Morning** Topical daily magazine, featuring a mix of celebrity chat, showbusiness news, advice and discussion. Including Local Weather.  
**12.30pm Loose Women** Celebrity interviews and topical debate.  
**1.30 ITV News; Weather**  
**1.55 Regional News; Weather**  
**2.00 James Martin's Great British Adventure** The chef goes on a culinary road trip around the UK. (R)  
**3.00 Lingo** Taking part in the word game are two siblings from Southampton, two friends from London, and a couple from Exeter. Adil Ray hosts. (R)  
**3.59 Regional Weather**  
**4.00 Tipping Point** Quiz show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (R)  
**5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (R)  
**6.00 Regional News; Weather**  
**6.30 ITV Evening News**

**Channel 4**

**6.15am Cheers** Double bill. (R)  
**7.05 Everybody Loves Raymond** Four episodes. (R)  
**9.05 Frasier** Four episodes. (R)  
**11.05 Help! We Bought a Village** The owners of a village in France officially open it after two years of renovations. (R)  
**12.05pm Channel 4 News**  
**12.10 Help! We Bought a Village** A couple get married at their hamlet in the Limousin. (R)  
**1.10 Car S.O.S** Tim and Fuzz team up with Paddy Hopkirk to fix up their first rally car. (R)  
**2.10 Countdown** Ranvir Singh joins Susie in Dictionary Corner.  
**3.00 A Place in the Sun** A couple planning a permanent move to rural France to run a gite. (R)  
**4.00 Renovation Nation** An art-deco-inspired cinema room.  
**5.00 A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now?** An update on Sue and Joe's astronomy-themed retreat. (R)  
**6.00 Four in a Bed** The week's final visit is to Hartridge Springs. (R)  
**6.30 The Simpsons** The family tells stories about disasters. (R)

**Channel 5**

**6.00am Milkshake!** Children's TV.  
**9.05 Milkshake! Story Den** (R)  
**9.15 Jeremy Vine** Discussion.  
**11.15 Storm Huntley** Debate.  
**12.45pm Friends** Double bill. (R)  
**1.40 5 News at Lunchtime**  
**1.45 Home and Away** Theo quickly surmises that Stevie is the girl Remi is waiting for. (R)  
**2.15 FILM A Deadly Mother** (2020, PG) A woman worries that her new neighbour is trying to steal her teenage daughter from her. Thriller, with Monica Rose Betz. (R) ★★  
**4.00 Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun** Laura uses her pink pimped-up scooter to get to and from gigs and tribute performances - and in the hope of getting noticed. (R)  
**5.00 5 News at 5** Headlines.  
**6.05 Police Interceptors** Jim and Lisa direct an intelligence-led strike, with the suspects believed to be in possession of a handgun and ammunition, while the knife-crime team targets drug hotspots. (R); 5 News Update



7pm, WIMBLEDON 2024: Jannik Sinner



8pm, GARDENERS' WORLD: Arit Anderson



5pm, THE CHASE: Bradley Walsh



8pm, THE SUPERVET: NOEL FITZPATRICK: Noel Fitzpatrick



9pm, SUSAN CALMAN'S GRAND DAY OUT: Susan Calman

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**7.00 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Further coverage of day four of the Grand Slam tournament from the All England Club, where the second round of the men's and ladies' singles is scheduled to conclude. Italy's Jannik Sinner will be hoping to do one better than last year when he went on to reach the semi-finals after beating Russian Roman Safiullin 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2. He lost out on a place in the showpiece occasion to eventual runner-up Novak Djokovic 6-3, 6-4, 6-7. Elsewhere, Grigor Dimitrov claimed a win over Ilya Ivashka in straight sets.

**7.00 EastEnders** Double bill. Nugget regains consciousness but is told that he may need long-term dialysis, and the pressure is piled on when his parents and the police ask who supplied the drugs; Teddy and Sharon share a flirty drink.

**7.00 Bradley & Barney Walsh: Breaking Dad** The duo continue their European adventure in Germany. (R)  
**7.30 Emmerdale** Charles is determined to get to the truth, Matty risks opening up, and Mandy is left unimpressed.

**7.00 Channel 4 News** A round-up of all the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. Plus, the day's leading sports stories and up-to-the-minute weather reports.

**7.00 Happy Campers: The Caravan Park** At Holiday Resort Unity, new Park Wardens husband and wife team Antoinette and Brian are welcoming arrivals when a family gets separated from each other; 5 News Update

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**9.25 Not Going Out** Frank announces his engagement, but Lee cannot believe that any woman would marry his father, so Lucy invites Frank and his beau Carol to dinner to allay Lee's misgivings. (R)

**8.00 Gardeners' World** The team reports from the RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival, where Arit encourages viewers to think more sustainably with her entirely peat-free Feature Garden. Plus, Tom Massey mentors novice designers.

**8.30 NEW Tom Kerridge Cooks Britain** The chef hits the road in his 1950s food truck, and discovers what it takes to produce the food on our plate. Tom begins by heading to Kent and Cambridgeshire, where he is in search of beetroot.

**8.00 The Suprvet: Noel Fitzpatrick** A Marbella-based French bulldog is flown in with his family after surgery to fix his broken elbow proved unsuccessful. Its family hopes a custom fusion plate system will get Milo out of pain.

**8.00 Supermarket Own-Brands: The Big Taste Test** Examining the difference between leading brands and supermarkets' own versions, and which customers prefer, starting with one of the world's most famous soft drinks.

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**9.55pm-6.00am Election 2024** Coverage of the night's results, with Clive Myrie and Laura Kuenssberg. Chris Mason leads the correspondents reporting from each corner of the United Kingdom, Reeta Chakrabarti analyses the results as they come into New Broadcasting House and Jeremy Vine broadcasts from Cardiff with his famous swingometer. Kirsty Wark is in Glasgow, Andrea Catherwood is in Belfast and Fiona Bruce, Victoria Derbyshire, Naga Munchetty, Nick Watt and Alex Forsyth are among the well-known faces reporting from key locations around the country. Professor John Curtice, the 'expert's expert' joins Laura, Clive, Chris and Reeta to offer his psephological knowledge and insights.

**9.00 The North York Moors: A Wild Year** The upland area of North Yorkshire. (R)  
**9.25 Live at the Apollo** Host Ed Gamble introduces routines by Tom Davis and Judi Love. (R)  
**9.55 Gimme Gimme Gimme** Tom and Linda go out clubbing and get very drunk, leading to one of them spending the night with a security guard and the other with a woman. (R)

**9.00 Douglas Is Cancelled** Comedy drama, starring Hugh Bonneville and Karen Gillan. The furore around the joke continues to mount even though no-one knows what caused it, and Douglas still claims he can't remember it.

**9.00 24 Hours in Police Custody** Detectives from Bedfordshire Police investigate when a 76-year-old man is arrested following allegations of historical child sex abuse dating back to the 1970s. (R)  
**9.45pm-6.00am Britain Decides with The Rest Is Politics and Gogglebox** As the polls close, Krishnan Guru-Murthy and Emily Maitlis presents news and analysis as the votes are counted, while Alastair Campbell and Rory Stewart steer viewers through what many are predicting to be a game-changing moment in British politics. Cathy Newman anchors from locations across London and reporters attend key counts across the country, while political editor Gary Gibbon offers continuous analysis. Hannah Fry crunches the data, helping to make sense of the numbers and tell the story of the night. Going beyond Westminster, Gogglebox favourites provide their take on the election campaigns, while an audience of voters give their take as the night unfolds.

**9.00 NEW Susan Calman's Grand Day Out** The comedian sets out to discover the Channel Islands. She arrives in Jersey at peak Jersey Royal potato season, and meets a farmer to learn about the art of harvesting.

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**10.25 FILM Moulin Rouge!** (2001, 12) Idealistic writer Christian is drawn to the backstreets of Paris, determined to play a part in the bohemian revolution. He falls for Satine, a courtesan from the famous Moulin Rouge. However, a scheming duke also covets her affections, setting the scene for tragedy. Romantic musical, with Ewan McGregor and Nicole Kidman. ★★★★★

**9.50pm-6.00am Election 2024 Live: The Results** Tom Bradby presents through-the-night coverage of the battle for Number 10 Downing Street, revealing who will lead the country for the next five years. Tom will be joined in the studio throughout the night by a team of political insider guests, including George Osborne, Ed Balls and Nicola Sturgeon. Also on hand will be Robert Peston, Anushka Asthana and Paul Brand, plus election analysts, Professor Jane Green and Professor Colin Rallings. ITV News reporters will be on the ground right around the UK throughout, bringing news from every corner of the country as the results come in.

**10.00 Only Fools and Horses: Secrets & Scandals** The story of how Only Fools and Horses was made, and how the cast could have been very different. Featuring interviews with Sue Holderness and the crew who made the series. (R)

**11.05 FILM Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw** (2019, 12) Luke Hobbs and Deckard Shaw must put their differences aside and team up to stop a major terror threat. Action adventure, starring Dwayne Johnson. ★★★★★

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**12.25am Today at Wimbledon.** Qasa Alom presents highlights of the fourth day's play from the All England Club.  
**1.25 Sign Zone: Springwatch.** Megan McCubbin and Iolo Williams celebrate the wildlife in Britain's cities. (R)  
**2.25 Sign Zone: Andy Murray: Will to Win** (R)  
**3.25-6.20am** This Is BBC Two

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midnight

**ITV2** Freeview 6

**6.00am** CITV **9.00** World's Funniest Videos  
**9.30** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **10.00** Love Bites **12.00noon** Dress to Impress **1.00** Deal or No Deal **2.00** Supermarket Sweep **3.00** Charmed **4.00** Dawson's Creek **5.00** Dress to Impress. Dating fashion challenge.  
**6.00** **Celebrity Catchphrase** With Chizzy Akudolu, Joe Lycett and Nick Knowles.  
**7.00** **Deal or No Deal** Stephen Mulhern hosts as another contestant tries to open the 22 red boxes in the right order.  
**8.00** **The Masked Singer US** The three remaining celebrities perform again.  
**9.00** **Love Island** The fun continues with another feast of flirting and fallouts.  
**10.05** **Tell Me Everything** Bex realises the price of popularity after throwing a party.  
**11.05** **Family Guy** Animated double bill.  
**12.05am** **American Dad!** Animated comedy. **1.05** Karaoke Club: Drag Edition **2.10** Don't Hate the Playaz **2.50** Unwind with ITV **3.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

**Dave** Freeview 19

**6.00am** Teleshopping **7.10** Whose Line Is It Anyway? USA **8.00** Special Ops: Crime Squad UK **9.00** Top Gear **12.00noon** Storage Hunters UK: four episodes **2.00** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green: At the Ends of the Earth **3.00** Top Gear **5.00** The Hairy Bikers' Northern Exposure  
**6.00** **Rick Stein's Long Weekends** The chef visits the Greek city of Thessaloniki.  
**7.00** **Would I Lie to You?** With Michael Smiley, Diane Morgan and Bob Mortimer.  
**7.40** **Richard Osman's House of Games**  
**9.00** **QI XL** With Sandi Toksvig, Bill Bailey, Sean Lock and John Hodgman.  
**10.00** **QI XL** Extended edition, with Sue Perkins, Bill Bailey and Gyles Brandreth.  
**11.00** **Taskmaster** It's time for the final, which features peas and absent keys.  
**12.00m't** **Would I Lie to You?** **12.40** Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled **1.40** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish **2.45** Whose Line Is It Anyway? USA **3.35** Travel Man **4.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

**E4** Freeview 13

**6.00am** Hollyoaks **7.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **9.00** The Goldbergs **10.00** Young Sheldon **11.00** Modern Family **12.00noon** The Big Bang Theory: four episodes **2.00** The Goldbergs **3.00** Modern Family **4.00** Young Sheldon **5.00** The Big Bang Theory: four episodes  
**7.00** **Hollyoaks** Ro helps the police.  
**7.30** **Come Dine with Me** Hull florist Jayne gives her guests a taste of Spain.  
**8.00** **Dance Moms** The Nationals loom.  
**9.00** **Gogglebox** The households' opinions on Michael McIntyre's The Wheel.  
**10.00** **Naked Attraction** An opera singer is looking for a man as tall as she is.  
**11.05** **First Dates** A linguistics expert who can never say the right thing when dating.  
**12.05am** The Big Bang Theory **1.05** Rick and Morty. The Smiths visit a restaurant. **1.35** Smiling Friends **2.10** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **3.00** Dance Moms **3.50** Modern Family **4.40** The Neighborhood **5.30-6.00am** Brooklyn Nine-Nine

**Variations & S4C**

**WALES As BBC1 except: 1.25-1.35pm** BBC Wales Today; Weather **6.30-7.00** BBC Wales Today; Weather **9.25** Kiri's TV Flashback. Featuring clips of some of the nation's favourite Welsh celebrities. **9.55** Election Wales 2024. Live coverage of the election results, with Nick Servini. **2.00-6.00am** Election Wales 2024  
**WALES As BBC2 except: 9.55pm** Election 2024. Live coverage of the results, with Laura Kuenssberg and Clive Myrie. **2.00-6.20am** Election 2024. Live coverage of the results.  
**MERIDIAN As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Meridian. A round-up of the latest headlines. **6.00-6.30pm** ITV News Meridian  
**CENTRAL As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Central **6.00-6.30pm** ITV News Central  
**ITV WALES As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Cymru Wales. A round-up of the latest headlines. **6.00-6.30pm** ITV News Wales at Six  
**WEST As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News West Country. A round-up of the headlines. **6.00-6.30pm** ITV News West Country  
**ANGLIA As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Anglia **6.00-6.30pm** ITV News Anglia

**Telly movies**

**NORTH BY NORTHWEST ★★★★★**  
**(1959) BBC4, 7.30pm** Breathless adventure from Alfred Hitchcock, starring the eternally stylish Cary Grant as an advertising executive, who is mistaken for a US intelligence agent by foreign thugs and drawn into all sorts of well-choreographed action scenes. Great opening titles by Saul Bass and an unforgettable score by Bernard Herrmann help make this one of Hitchcock's most enjoyable movies.  
**ON THE WATERFRONT ★★★★★**  
**(1954) BBC4, 9.40pm** Winner of a whopping eight Oscars, Elia Kazan's drama still packs a punch. Marlon Brando stars as a former prize fighter who has been reduced to running errands for the gangsters who control the dockyard unions. It has been seen as Kazan's defence of his controversial decision to name names to the House Committee on Un-American Activities, but it still stands on its own merits.

**HotTV CHOICE** With **Mike Ward**



I know this is a day when you're already having to make quite a daunting decision. But would you mind, while you're at it, if I asked you for your thoughts on another, equally divisive issue? Namely: are you a Wotsit person or a Wiggle person? What I mean is: when it comes to savoury snacks of a vibrantly orange persuasion, would you rather have a bag of Walkers Wotsits, described on the pack as "REALLY CHEESY", or would

you prefer some Cheesy Wiggles, available exclusively at Asda? Sorry, but I'm afraid I need a decision from you. Wotsit or Wiggle? Where's your vote going to go? The reason I ask is that it's one of the questions posed tonight on **SUPERMARKET OWN-BRANDS: THE BIG TASTE TEST** (8pm), new to Channel 5. This is yet another of those shows where we're reminded just how cleverly the supermarkets, particularly the budget ones, are managing to mimic various big-name household grocery products. But rather than just keep saying so, it's subjecting

some of these products to a direct head-to-head comparison — sometimes with surprising results. And sometimes, OK, not. Others compared tonight include cereals, burgers, colas and cat food. The cat food test — a three-way fight between a premium brand, a high-end supermarket version and a budget option, is a particularly interesting one, because none of the volunteer cats chooses to offer any comment afterwards. They just wolf the stuff down and bog off. Probably to find a dead mouse to enjoy for dessert.

Follow Mike on Twitter @mikewardontv

**GB News** F'view 236

**6.00am** Breakfast with Stephen and Ellie **9.30** Britain's Newsroom. Every weekday morning the biggest stories and the answers you need from the across the UK. **12.00noon** Good Afternoon Britain. Every weekday, we bring you the news as it breaks. Wherever it's happening, we'll have it covered — as well as giving our own view and how it matters to you with Tom and Emily. **3.00** Martin Daubney  
**6.00** **Dewbs & Co** Plain-speaking Michelle Dewberry delivers her individual take on the day's news.  
**8.00** **Patrick Christys Tonight**  
**9.55** **Vote 2024: The People Decide** All the twists and turns of election night as results are declared live. In depth analysis from the studio and reaction from our election night party.  
**2.00-6.00am** **Vote 2024: The People Decide.** Further coverage of the general election campaign.

**More4** Freeview 18

**8.55am** **A Place in the Sun 10.25** A New Life in the Sun **11.25** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **12.30pm** Come Dine with Me: five episodes **3.10** Four in a Bed: five episodes **5.50** Chateau DIY  
**6.55** **Car S.O.S** The boys pick up a 1978 JCB digger belonging to a former carpenter, who had two heart attacks.  
**7.55** **Grand Designs** Kevin McCloud meets Zimbabwean-born Davi and Australian Matt, who are building a radical multicultural home in the Chess Valley — only to very quickly run into problems.  
**9.00** **Perfect Pub Walks with Bill Bailey** Bill is joined by broadcaster Trevor McDonald for walks in Essex and Suffolk.  
**10.00** **24 Hours in A&E** Double bill. A 12-year-old is rushed to St George's after suffering a severe asthma attack; a look at the hospital's specialist stroke team.  
**12.10am** 999: On the Front Line. Medical documentary. **1.15** 24 Hours in A&E **3.25-3.55am** A Place in the Sun

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# Sport

## SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT

**6.00am** SSN Euro Report **7.00** Good Morning Euros. Latest reports. **10.00** SSN Euro Report **11.30** **LIVE DP World Tour Golf** The BMW International Open. Coverage of day one from the Golfclub Munchen Eichenried in Germany. **5.00pm** **LIVE Ladies European Tour Golf** Coverage of day two of the Aramco Team Series event from London's Centurion Club. **6.00** The F1 Show. The 2024 British Grand Prix **7.00** **LIVE Ladies European Tour Golf** Coverage of the action from day two of the Aramco Team Series event from London's Centurion Club. **7.30** **LIVE PGA Tour Golf** The John Deere Classic. Coverage of the early stages of day one of the tournament at TPC Deere Run in Silvis, Illinois. Austrian Sepp Straka won this event last year with a score of 21-under-par, finishing two strokes ahead of American's Alex Smalley and Brendon Todd. Michael Kim holds the tournament record of 27-under-par after this event in 2018. **12.00m't-6.00am** SSN Euro Report

## SKY SPORTS CRICKET

**6.00am** Women's International One-Day Cricket **9.00** Best of ICC WT20 **9.30** ICC Men's T20 World Cup **10.00** ICC T20 World Cup 2021 **10.30** ICC 2016 World T20 Final **11.00** ICC Men's T20 World Cup **7.00pm** Secrets of Success **9.15** Pushing Boundaries: To The Hundred and Beyond **10.30** Dreams of a Nation **11.30** Women's International One-Day Cricket **2.30am** Best of ICC WT20 **3.00** Jimmy Anderson Masterclass Part 1 **3.25** Jimmy Anderson Masterclass Part 2 **3.50** Best of J Anderson: 500th Wicket **4.00-6.00am** Vitality T20 Blast Cricket

## SKY SPORTS FOOTBALL

**6.00am** EFL Cup Retro **8.00** 1983: When Aberdeen Ruled Europe **9.00** EFL Greatest Games **10.00** Championship Season Review **11.00** Best Goals: EFL Cup 2021-22 **11.30** EFL Trophy Football **12.00noon** Bundesliga Highlights Show **1.00** Women's Championship Show **1.30** SWPL **2.00** SPFL **2.30** EFL **5.30** EFL Greatest Games **6.00** Bundesliga Analysis I **6.30** Bundesliga Highlights Show **7.30** WSL **8.00** WSL **8.30** SPFL **9.00** EFL Play-off Final C'Ship 15/16 **10.00** EFL Play-off Final League 1 15/16 **11.00** EFL Play-off Final League 2 15/16 **12.00m't** Craig Brown: My Scotland **12.30** Best Scottish Premiership Goals 2023/24 **1.00** Best Scottish Premiership Goals 2021/22 **1.30** Best Scottish Premiership Goals 2021/22 **2.00** SPFL Highlights **2.15** SPFL Greatest Games **3.15** SPFL Highlights **4.15** SPFL Greatest Games **5.15** SPFL Highlights **5.30-6.00am** SPFL Greatest Games

## TNT SPORTS 1

**6.00am** Ultimate Pool **7.30** Badminton **9.30** Training Day. Peter Crouch and Joe Cole train at Premier League side Brentford. **10.00** World Championship of Legends Cricket **12.00noon** **LIVE World Championship of Legends Cricket** England v South Africa. Coverage of the match from Edgbaston. **4.00** **LIVE World Championship of Legends Cricket** West Indies v Pakistan. Coverage of the match from Edgbaston, Birmingham. **8.30** TNT Sports Cricket Reload: double bill **9.00** **LIVE MLB** Seattle Mariners v Baltimore Orioles (Start time 9.10pm). Coverage of the American League match from T-Mobile Park. **12.15am** Born Racers **1.30** UEFA Europa League **2.30** Women's Test Match Cricket **4.30-6.00am** TNT Sports Cricket Reload

## TNT SPORTS 2

**6.00am** Hockey **10.00** Between the Lines **10.30** AFL **2.30pm** Ultimate Pool. Action from the Ultimate Pool Pairs Cup Group 3 matches. **4.00** Premier League Stories **4.30** MLB Highlights **5.30** MLB: Off the Bat **6.00** **LIVE MLB** New York Yankees v Cincinnati Reds (Start time 6.05pm). From Yankee Stadium. **9.15** MotoGP Rewind **9.30** Born Racers **10.45** MotoE Highlights **11.15** TNT Sports Reload **11.30** Training Day. From Brentford. **12.00m't** **LIVE MLB** Atlanta Braves v San Francisco Giants (Start time 12.20am). **3.15** MLB: Off the Bat **3.45** MLB Plays of the Week **4.15** Between the Lines **4.30** MotoGP Highlights **5.30-6.00am** Between the Lines

## EUROSPORT 1

**6.00am** Tour de France - The Breakaway **6.30** Ultra Trail: World Tour **7.30** Tennis: Wimbledon **9.00** Olympic Games: Chasing Glory **10.00** Archery World Cup **10.30** Cycling: Tour de France **11.30** Tour de France - The Breakaway **12.00noon** **LIVE Cycling: Tour de France** Coverage of stage six, which features a trek of 163.5km from Macon to Dijon. **5.00** Mountain Biking **5.30** Powerboat Racing World Championship **6.00** Golden Trail World Series **7.00** SailGP **8.00** Cycling: Tour de France **9.00** Tour de France - The Breakaway **9.30** August 4th: An Olympic Odyssey **10.00** British Speedway **11.00** Cycling: Tour de France **12.00m't** Tour de France - The Breakaway **12.30** Tennis: Wimbledon **2.00** Cycling: Tour de France **3.00** Tour de France - The Breakaway **3.30** Tennis: Wimbledon **5.00-6.00am** Cycling: Tour de France

# Entertainment & Factual

## BBC THREE Freeview 23

**7.00pm** Celebrity MasterChef **7.30** The Fast and the Farmer-ish **8.00** **FILM** The Maze Runner (2014/12) Sci-fi, starring Dylan O'Brien. **★ ★ ★ 9.45** Glastonbury **11.45** Dreaming Whilst Black **12.35am** Paddy & Molly: Show No Mersey **1.35** Top Gear **2.35** My Mate's a Bad Date **2.55** Birdsong **3.10-4.00am** Dreaming Whilst Black

## BBC FOUR Freeview 9

**7.00pm** Canal Boat Diaries **7.30** **FILM** North By Northwest (1959/P) Hitchcock thriller, starring Cary Grant. **★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 9.40** **FILM** On the Waterfront (1954/P) Drama, with Marlon Brando, Lee J Cobb and Eva Marie Saint. **★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 11.25** Listen to Me Marlon: Imagine **1.05am** Canal Boat Diaries **1.35** Full Circle with Michael Palin **2.25-3.25am** Treasures of the Indus

## 5USA Freeview 21

**9.00am** NCIS **12.00noon** Law & Order **12.55** Entertainment News on 5 **1.00** Law & Order **4.55** Entertainment News on 5 **5.00** Law & Order **6.00** NCIS **9.00** Blue Bloods **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **1.55am** L.A.'s Finest **3.50-4.00am** Entertainment News

## ITV3 Freeview 10

**6.00am** Classic Emmerdale **7.00** Classic Coronation Street **8.05** Agatha Christie's Poirot **10.30** The Royal **11.40** Heartbeat **1.40pm** Classic Emmerdale **2.40** Classic Coronation Street **3.50** Inspector Morse **6.00** Heartbeat **8.00** Vera **10.00** The Tower **11.00** Agatha Christie's Poirot **11.55** The Royal **12.45-2.30am** Upstairs, Downstairs

## ITV4 Freeview 26

**6.00am** The Derby Through the Years **6.15** The Sweeney **7.20** Minder **8.20** Dempsey and Makepeace **9.20** Magnum, PI **10.20** Kojak **11.25** Made in Britain **11.55** BattleBots **1.00pm** Tour de France Highlights **2.00** **LIVE** Tour de France. Coverage of stage six, from Macon to Dijon. **5.00** Great Racehorses **5.20** Mr Bean **5.55** BattleBots **7.00** Tour de France Highlights **8.00** **FILM** Octopussy (1983/P) **★ ★ 10.45** **FILM** Rocky (1976/12) **★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 1.00am** The Sweeney **1.55** Auto Mundial **2.20** Motorsport Mundial **2.50-3.00am** Unwind with ITV

## REALLY Freeview 17

**6.00am** Fantasy Homes by the Sea **7.00** Cruise TV with LoveitBookit **8.00** The Bidding Room **1.00pm** Money for Nothing **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Antiques Road Trip **5.00** Celebrity Yorkshire Auction House **7.00** Antiques Road Trip **9.00** Who Do You Think You Are? **10.00** Alex Polizzi: The Fixer **11.30** Ghost Bait **12.00m't** Unexplained: Caught on Camera **1.00** Paranormal: Caught on Camera **2.00** Teleshopping **4.00-6.00am** Dr Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet

## SKY ARTS Freeview 36

**8.00am** The Joy of Painting **9.00** Tales of the Unexpected **10.00** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **11.00** Discovering: John Malkovich **12.00noon** The Joy of Painting **1.00** Tales of the Unexpected **2.00** The South Bank Show Originals **3.00** Dickens: Phantoms and Fictions **4.00** Discovering: Samuel L Jackson **5.00** The Joy of Painting

## BBC RADIO 1

**97.6-99.8MHz 6.57am** Newsbeat **7.00** Radio 1 Breakfast with Greg James **11.00** Rickie, Melvin and Charlie **12.45pm** Newsbeat **1.00** Matt and Mollie **3.00** Radio 1's Rap Anthems **3.30** Newsbeat **3.32** Going Home with Vick, Katie and Jamie on Radio 1 **5.45** Newsbeat **6.00** Radio 1's New Music Show **8.00** Radio 1's Rave-Up with Arielle Free **10.00** BBC Introducing Dance **11.00** Radio 1's Residency **1.00am** Radio 1 Dance Presents **2.00** Glastonbury 2024-Live Sets. Music and chat. **2.30** Glastonbury 2024-Live Sets **3.00** Chillout Anthems **4.00** Radio 1 Dance **5.00-6.57am** Radio 1 Early Breakfast with Arielle Free

## BBC RADIO 2

**88-91MHz 6.30am** The Gaby Roslin Breakfast Show **9.30** Vernon Kay. Natasha Bedingfield chooses this week's Tracks of My Years. **12.00noon** Tina Daheley **2.00** Scott Mills **4.00** Sara Cox **6.30** Sara Cox's Half Wower **7.00** Jo Whalley's Shiny Happy Playlist **7.30** Jo Whalley **9.00** The Country Show with Bob Harris. A selection of fine tracks. **10.00** Trevor Nelson's Magnificent 7. Uplifting tunes. **10.30** Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation **12.00m't** Phil Williams **3.00** Alternative Sounds of the 90s with Dermot O'Leary **4.00-7.00am** Owain Wyn Evans

## BBC RADIO 3

**90.2-92.4MHz 6.30am** Breakfast. Petroc Trelawny presents. **9.30** Essential Classics. Georgia Mann plays a selection of music.



**Paul Whitehouse's Sketch Show Years GOLD, 10pm**  
The comedian (left) moves onto the 1980s, when some of sketch comedy's big names began to emerge, including Victoria Wood and Lenny Henry.

**6.00** Tales of the Unexpected **7.00** Battle of the Bagpipes **8.00** The Directors **9.00** Discovering **10.00** The Ghost of Richard Harris **12.20am** Comedy Legends **1.20** I Am Richard Pryor **3.15** Tales of the Unexpected **3.45** National Trust: National Treasures **5.00-6.00am** The Art of Architecture

## GOLD

**7.25am** The Fosters **8.20** The Green Green Grass **9.40** My Hero **10.20** Are You Being Served? **11.00** Still Open All Hours **11.40** Last of the Summer Wine **1.00pm** The Green Green Grass **1.35** My Hero **2.15** Still Open All Hours **2.50** Dad's Army **3.30** Are You Being Served? **4.10** Last of the Summer Wine **5.30** Still Open All Hours **6.05** The Green Green Grass **6.40** Dad's Army **8.00** Blackadder Goes Forth **8.40** Only Fools and Horses **9.15** The Young Ones **10.00** Paul Whitehouse's Sketch Show Years **10.35** Victoria Wood as Seen on TV **11.20** The Lenny Henry Show **12.40am** Only Fools and Horses **1.20** The Young Ones **2.10-2.50am** Victoria Wood as Seen on TV

## YESTERDAY Freeview 27

**6.10am** Train Truckers **8.00** Abandoned Engineering **10.00** The World at War **11.00** Secret Nazi Bases **12.00noon** Great British Railway Journeys **1.00** Antiques Roadshow **2.00** Bangers & Cash **4.00** The World at War **5.00** Secret Nazi Bases **6.00** Antiques Roadshow **7.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **8.00** Bangers & Cash **9.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **10.00** Bangers & Cash **11.00** Abandoned Engineering **12.00m't** Great British Railway Journeys **1.00-3.00am** Train Truckers

## ALIBI

**7.15am** Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries **10.00** Elementary **11.00** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **12.00noon** Father Brown **1.00** Death in Paradise **2.00** Murdoch Mysteries **4.00** Elementary **5.00** Father Brown **6.00** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **7.00** Elementary **8.00** Father Brown **10.00** Death in Paradise **11.20** Elementary **12.20am** CSI: Vegas **1.15-3.10am** Murdoch Mysteries

## SKY MAX

**6.00am** NCIS: Los Angeles **7.00** SEAL Team **8.00** The Flash **9.00** Stargate SG-1 **11.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **12.00noon** The Flash **1.00** MacGyver: double bill **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00** S.W.A.T **5.00** SEAL Team

# Radio

## CHOICE

**Ramblings Radio 4, 3pm**  
Clare Balding travels to Moyle Hill in County Donegal to meet adventurer and motivational speaker, Nikki Bradley. Diagnosed with a rare bone cancer at just 16 years of age, Nikki (now in her 30s) has defied expectations by living a very active life and climbing mountain peaks all over the world.

**1.00pm** Classical Live. The Leonkoro Quartet perform Shostakovich's Third String Quartet. **4.00** Composer of the Week: Richard Strauss **5.00** In Tune **7.00** Classical Mixtape **7.30** Radio 3 in Concert **9.45** The Essay: Forever Songs **10.00** Night Tracks **11.30** 'Round Midnight **12.30-6.30am** Through the Night

## BBC RADIO 4

**FM 92.4-94.6MHz 6.00am** Today **9.00** In Our Time **9.45** NatureBang **10.00** Woman's Hour **11.00** This Cultural Life **11.45** Obsessed with the Quest **12.00noon** News **12.04** The Bottom Line **12.32** Sliced Bread **12.57** Weather **1.00** The World at One **1.45** Buried: The Last Witness **2.00** The Archers **2.15** Drama: Assisted. By Greg Wilkinson. **3.00** Ramblings. Clare Balding is in Co Donegal. **3.27** Radio 4 Appeal **3.30** Feedback **4.00** The Briefing Room **4.30** BBC Inside Science **5.00** PM **5.57** Weather **6.00** News **6.30** Rhysearch

**6.00** Stargate SG-1 **8.00** Rob & Romesh vs F1 **9.00** The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live **10.00** A Discovery of Witches **11.00** The Walking Dead **12.00m't** Last King of the Cross **1.00** Entourage **2.00** Road Wars **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00-5.00am** S.W.A.T

## SKY ATLANTIC

**6.00am** The Guest Wing **7.55** Six Feet Under **10.05** Gomorrah **12.15pm** Game of Thrones **1.20** The Sopranos **3.30** Six Feet Under **5.45** Gomorrah **7.55** Game of Thrones **9.00** House of the Dragon **10.20** Band of Brothers. Easy Company overrun Hitler's Bavarian retreat. **11.30** Succession. Kendall plans his next move. **12.40am** Watchmen **1.45** The Deuce **2.55** Game of Thrones **4.05-6.00am** The Guest Wing

## SKY WITNESS

**6.00am** Sun, Sea and A&E **7.00** Border Patrol **8.00** Stop, Search, Seize **9.00** Highway Patrol **9.30** Caught Red Handed **11.00** Blue Bloods **12.00noon** New Amsterdam **1.00** Private Eyes **2.00** FBI: Most Wanted **3.00** Caught Red Handed **4.30** Nothing to Declare **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** The Rookie **10.00** The Good Doctor **11.00** Chicago Fire **12.00m't** FBI: Most Wanted **1.00** Departure **2.00** The Force: North East **4.00-5.00am** Paramedics

## SKY COMEDY

**8.00am** Will & Grace **9.00** American Auto **10.00** Sort Of **10.25** Veep **11.35** Ballers **12.45pm** Eastbound & Down **1.55** Veep **2.45** Vice Principals **3.20** Ballers **4.30** Sort Of **5.00** Will & Grace **6.00** The Office (US) **7.00** American Auto **8.00** Will & Grace **9.00** Girls **10.15** Nikki Glaser: Good Clean Filth **11.30** Intelligence **12.30am** Sex and the City **2.00** Nikki Glaser: Someday You'll Die **3.15** Sort Of **3.45-5.00am** Eastbound & Down

## DISCOVERY

**6.00am** How It's Made **7.00** Deadliest Catch **8.00** Blowing Up History **9.00** Combat Dealers: Reloaded **10.00** Iron Resurrection **11.00** Wheeler Dealers: Dream Car **1.00pm** Railroad Alaska **3.00** America's Backyard Gold **4.00** Flying Wild Alaska **5.00** Homestead Rescue: Raney Ranch **6.00** Iron Resurrection **7.00** Kindig Customs **8.00** Garage Squad **9.00** August 4th: An Olympic Odyssey **10.30** Naked and Afraid XL **12.30am** Mystery at Blind Frog Ranch **1.30** August 4th: An Olympic Odyssey **3.00-5.00am** Naked and Afraid XL

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

**8.00am** Food Factory **9.00** Air Crash Investigation **10.00** WW2: Hell Under the Sea **11.00** Erased: WWII Heroes of Colour **12.00noon** Car S.O.S **1.00** To Catch a Smuggler **2.00** Air Crash Investigation **3.00** Hitler's Last Stand **4.00** Seconds from Disaster **5.00** Car S.O.S **6.00** Air Crash Investigation **8.00** Europe from Above **9.00** **NEW** Wicked Tuna. After a long winter, it's finally bluefin season again in Massachusetts. **10.00** Alaska: The Next Generation **11.00** Air Crash Investigation **12.00m't** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted **1.00** Airport Security: Peru **2.00** Lords of War **2.30** Bid & Destroy **3.20** Food Factory **4.10-5.00am** Secrets of the Zoo: Keeper Tales

# Movies

## FILM4

**11.00am** Nothing But the Best (1964/P) Black comedy, starring Alan Bates. **★ ★ ★**  
**1.05pm** Time Lock (1957/P) Thriller, starring Robert Beatty and Betty McDowell. **★ ★**  
**2.35** Comanche Station (1960/P) Western, starring Randolph Scott. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**4.10** Hell Is a City (1960/P) Thriller, starring Stanley Baker and John Crawford. **★ ★ ★**  
**6.05** Clear and Present Danger (1994/12) Action thriller, with Harrison Ford. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**9.00** Inglourious Basterds (2009/18) Quentin Tarantino's wartime adventure, with Brad Pitt and Christoph Waltz. **★ ★ ★ ★ ★**  
**12.10am** Zola (2021/18) Crime comedy drama, starring Taylour Paige. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**1.55-4.00am** Heatwave (2022/15) Thriller, with Kat Graham and Merritt Patterson. **★ ★ ★**

## SKY CINEMA PREMIERE

**6.50am** The Great Escaper (2023/12) Drama, starring Michael Caine. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**8.35** Drift (2023/15) See 6.20pm. **★ ★ ★**  
**10.20** The Shamrock Spitfire (2024/12) Biographical drama about Irish fighter pilot Brendan 'Paddy' Finucane, starring Shane O'Regan and Ryan O'Grady. **★ ★ ★**  
**12.20pm** LaRoy, Texas (2023/15) See 8.00pm for details. **★ ★ ★**  
**2.20** A Sacrifice (2024) See 10.00pm. **★ ★ ★**  
**4.20** Meg 2: The Trench (2023/12) Thriller sequel, starring Jason Statham. **★ ★ ★**  
**6.20** Drift (2023/15) Drama, starring Cynthia Erivo and Alia Shawkat. **★ ★ ★**  
**8.00** LaRoy, Texas (2023/15) A suicidal man is mistaken for a low-rent hitman by a stranger. Comedy crime caper, starring Steve Zahn and John Magaro. **★ ★ ★**  
**10.00** A Sacrifice (2024) Drama, starring Eric Bana and Sylvia Hoeks. **★ ★ ★**  
**12.00m't** American Star (2024/15) Thriller, with Ian McShane and Nora Arnezeder. **★ ★ ★**  
**1.50am** Am I OK? (2022/15) Romantic comedy drama, starring Dakota Johnson. **★ ★ ★**  
**3.30** Ruthless (2023/15) Action thriller, starring Dermot Mulroney and Jeff Fahey. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**5.10-7.10am** American Star (2024/15) See 12.00m't for details. **★ ★ ★**

## SKY CINEMA DRAMA

**5.35pm** Far and Away (1992/15) Drama, with Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**8.00** Jerry Maguire (1996/15) Cameron Crowe's romantic comedy drama, with Tom Cruise and Renee Zellweger. **★ ★ ★ ★ ★**  
**10.25** Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (2004/15) Surreal romantic drama, with Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet. **★ ★ ★ ★ ★**  
**12.20am** Old Henry (2021/15) Western, with Tim Blake Nelson and Scott Haze. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**2.10** The Colour Room (2021/P) Drama, with Phoebe Dynevor and Matthew Goode. **★ ★ ★**  
**4.15-6.05am** Golda (2023/12) Biopic drama, with Helen Mirren and Zed Josef. **★ ★ ★**

## SKY CINEMA FAMILY

**4.00pm** The Flintstones (1994/U) Live-action version of the cartoon comedy, with John Goodman and Rick Moranis. **★ ★**  
**5.45** The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas (2000/P) Family comedy prequel, starring Mark Addy and Stephen Baldwin. **★ ★ ★**  
**7.30** Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile (2022/P) Musical comedy, starring Javier Bardem. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**9.30** Ella Enchanted (2004/P) Fantasy adventure, starring Anne Hathaway. **★ ★ ★**  
**11.25** The Little Rascals (1994/U) Children's comedy, starring Travis Tedford. **★ ★ ★ ★**  
**1.05am** Hotel for Dogs (2009/U) Comedy drama, starring Emma Roberts. **★ ★ ★**  
**3.00** A Tiger's Journey (2022/P) Drama, with Sunny Pawar and Claudia Gerini. **★ ★ ★**  
**4.50-6.50am** Blueback (2022/P) Drama, with Mia Wasikowska and Eric Bana. **★ ★ ★**

## TALKING PICTURES TV

**5.35-7.10pm** Miranda (1948/U) Comedy, with Glynis Johns and Googie Withers. **★ ★ ★**  
**10.05** Yield to the Night (1956/15) A condemned murderess looks back on the chain of events which led her to kill her lover's mistress. Drama, starring Diana Dors. **★ ★ ★**  
**12.05am** Ransom (1975/P) Drama, with Sean Connery and Ian McShane. **★ ★**  
**1.55** Cisco Pike (1971/15) Crime drama, with Kris Kristofferson and Karen Black. **★ ★ ★</**

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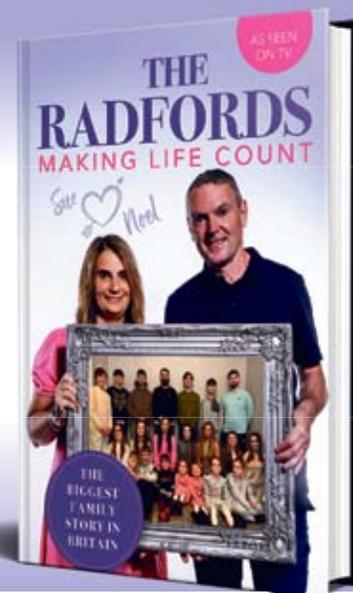
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## Monster hit's magic return

ELDEN Ring was the 2023's game of the year for many PS5 and Xbox players.

And in a huge DLC expansion to the base game, Shadow of the Erdtree is yet more brilliance from the game-makers at FromSoftware.

They have made their brutal monster-slaying hit even harder with this expansive new open-world map.

You should expect to die, die and die again as you come up against underworld horrors, giants and grotesques in a host of epic one-on-one battles.

It's almost the cost of a full-price game, but well worth the £33 digital download fee.

★ **WANT** to get rid of your belly for the summer holidays? Sky Q, Sky Stream and Sky Glass now feature the Mvmt fitness app. A swathe of exercise classes are available to view including pilates, cardio, meditation and yoga. It's free for the first 45 days and then costs £7.99 per month.



## Galaxy tech's cutting edge

IF you love all things Samsung then it's worth popping next Wednesday in your diary.

That's the day the Korean technology giant will unleash its next batch of Galaxy phones which we're promised will feature some "cutting-edge innovations".

If history repeats itself, it's almost certain that Samsung will use next week's Unpacked event in Paris to showcase its latest foldable devices. Watch this space.

★ **EE** has launched a new broadband service that's been built for PS5 and Xbox owners. It's called Broadband Made for Gamers and includes blisteringly quick speeds plus a new EE Smart Hub Plus router. Customers also get 24 months of Xbox Game Pass Ultimate, allowing them to access hundreds of titles. It costs £74.99 per month.



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Expect chaos in the very best way as you join characters like cutie-pies AiAi and Palette in bounding round puzzle platform courses in the story mode with an up-to-four-player split screen.

It's all about rolling in your monkey ball and trying to get to the end banana while not falling off the course.

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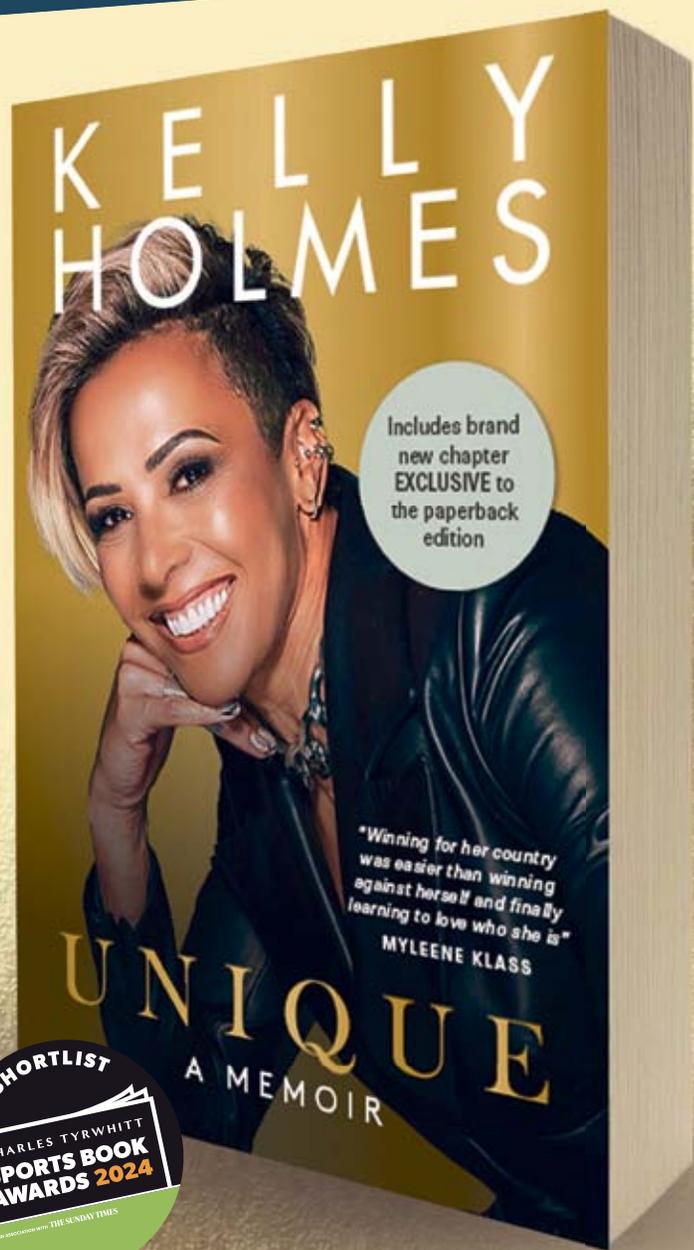
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# JUST JANE



**JANE O'GORMAN SOLVES YOUR PROBLEMS TODAY ... AND EVERY DAY**

**Left in bits by pranks**

**HOW do I come back from a terrible humiliation?**

A couple of weeks ago I went to a mate's house. A few girls from my old college were there.

I started chatting to one of them who announced she'd always fancied me. Did I fancy going to bed with her? She suggested we go to one of the bedrooms for a quickie.

Of course, I said "yes". She asked me to give her five minutes.

When I got there, I threw the door open to be confronted by her, and all of her mates, screeching: "Gotcha."

They took pictures of my stunned face, which are now all over the web. How was that fair?

**JANE SAYS:** You were the victim of a cruel, unfunny prank.

Your tormentor and her pals have probably pulled this stunt before and intend to do it again in future.

Stop them in their tracks by speaking out, if only to help another young guy.

Go to people you trust and speak up. You cannot let a blip like this ruin your confidence.

Whoever posted those photos needs to take them down, pronto or you'll be contacting a solicitor/the police.

# I cannot fight my love for bad boys

**IT'S NOT A GOOD FEELING**

**WHY do I always fall for rogues, crooks and bad guys? Why don't normal, nice guys turn me on?**

In any given room, club or holiday resort I can suss out a rat in a heartbeat. I'm automatically pulled towards the flashiest, loudest player in the room.

I disappoint myself with my choice of wallies. At the moment I'm single and two guys are interested in me.

One is successful and kind. The other is unwashed, foul-mouthed and unpredictable.

And guess which one I fancy? Yes, you've guessed it and I hate myself for being so shallow when I've been hurt and let down and continue to make the same mistakes over again.

In the past I've been ripped off, humiliated and let down too many times to count.

I've lost money, property and face. One guy got me to give him the money to buy him a car and literally drove off into the sunset.

I know the pattern. I'll reject the good guy in favour of the bad lad. For a while our sex life will be off the scale - we'll be kissing and bonking like a pair of fools.

From threesomes and adult parties to sex films and wicked toys - nothing will be off the table and I'll feel like a queen.

But then he'll suddenly go off



Picture posed by model

**ROUGH & READY:** Two guys are after taking me out but I have my eye on the dodgy one

radar. I'll start hearing stories about him and other women and my heart will be shattered into a thousand pieces.

Meanwhile, my rich suitor will marry a clever, kind woman and they'll go on to live a happy comfortable life with me kicking myself on the sidelines.

My friends all say I'm my own worst enemy and I know it.

They beg me to wake up and turn my life around but how can I change when it's the unscrupulous and unpredictable lotharios who do it for me every time?

**JANE SAYS:** You love the thrill of the chase and the

challenge of a bad boy, but where does your edgy appetite get you?

You seem intent on making life as difficult for yourself as possible.

You always have to pick the roughest, toughest nut to crack.

Sadly, your behaviour is beginning to look pathetic and desperate.

You clearly invest a lot of time and energy in your wild relationships - wouldn't that energy be better used elsewhere? What provision have you made for the future? How much energy are you

putting into your job, your home and your true friends and family?

Keep telling yourself that you deserve better. If you suffer from low self-esteem, then think about activities that will help build your confidence or see your GP.

If you could actually be stressed or depressed, then confide in your friends and parents who really seem to care about you and get support in turning things around.

You and I both know that you need to adopt coping strategies in order to change your self-destructive pattern.

**Endless begging is a pain**

**MY sister-in-law has a good heart. She loves helping people.**

The problem is she never stops begging me for stuff. First it was items for raffles, now it's cold, hard cash.

She's just heard that I've had a payout and wants me to sponsor her son on a charity trip to South America (it sounds like a massive jolly to me, and I'm not interested) but she's pushy and won't take no for an answer.

How do I get her off my back?

**JANE SAYS:** Politely tell your sister-in-law that you greatly admire what she does but you're not able to help her this time.

That doesn't make you uncharitable or mean but we all have our own private business and our limits.

Be firm but fair - wish her and her son good luck and then walk away.

The fact that she's caught a whiff of your windfall is neither here nor there - you don't have to justify your spending to anyone. Simply level with her by explaining that you are already fully committed to your own causes.

You're entitled to walk out of your own front door without being hounded.



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## Shame of our girl's old man

MY daughter is dating a man older than her dad. She has been living with him for a year. I thought he was her landlord, now I've discovered they're lovers.

I thought we were close. I thought she told me everything. His own children are furious. What about my feelings? She's made me look a fool in front of my family.

**JANE SAYS:** If your daughter has chosen to keep her relationship a secret, then that's up to her.

You don't have an automatic right to know everything. Tell her you love her and that she can rely on you to support and help her.

You can't risk alienating her when your relationship needs to be cherished and preserved.

# PHOTO CASEBOOK

## BOSS GIVES ME THE CREEPS

DAY 4

**1** You must be very lonely and frustrated. Erm, no. I'm fine.

**2** Clara starts to edge away. Well I would be... I just have to have sex, I can't live without it. Yes, and my husband is abroad at the moment... Oh...erm... really?

**3** Clara gets up quickly. Don't forget my bedroom, will you? Of course not. Well I do hope he's coming back soon. I'd better get on.

**4** Back in the kitchen. She's very odd. Still, at least I can get on with my job.

**CONTINUES TOMORROW**

# RUSSELL GRANT

**DON'T MISS RUSSELL EVERY DAY IN THE DAILY STAR**

**ARIES** March 21 to April 20  
 SOMETHING you see makes you question your trust in a friend. You suspect they are keeping something from you but are you letting your thoughts run wild? It's possible this is just your imagination playing tricks on you. Keep your suspicions to yourself.

Call one of my dedicated astrologers on **0905 789 3801\*\***

**GEMINI** May 22 to June 21  
**WORKMATES** are blaming each other and making a problem worse. You will prefer not to get involved as from your perspective, both seem to be equally as responsible for having caused this tense situation. Just keep a diplomatic distance.

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**LEO** July 24 to August 23  
**WORKING** steadily will lead to greater productivity this morning. Unexpected setbacks in work may arise during the early afternoon. Alternatively, you might be asked to fill in for an ill co-worker despite feeling overwhelmed with your current responsibilities.

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**TAURUS** April 21 to May 21  
**DON'T** worry if you become the focal point of a family conflict. You shouldn't feel you have to apologise for something you didn't do. After a stressful morning, any hurt feelings regarding a workplace issue will appear insignificant.

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**CANCER** June 22 to July 23  
**YOU** treat others' feelings with respect. There have been times in the past when you've poured your heart out only to have it backfire on you. This makes you hold back and keep your own thoughts to yourself when someone close is hoping you will open up to them.

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**VIRGO** August 24 to September 23  
**IF** you have had a disagreement with a partner, consider taking the first step to fix things. Offering an olive branch might help mend relationships and open the door to forgiveness, even if this cannot totally erase the past.

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**LIBRA** September 24 to October 23  
**WHEN** life starts getting you down seek a haven where you can find inner peace. Stay mindful of your surroundings. Being fully present in the moment will help you to avoid unnecessary stress. To find inner tranquility, start by calming your mind.

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**SAGITTARIUS** November 23 to December 21  
**ARE** you willing to put in the time and effort to reach your goals? Shortcuts will only be cheating yourself and will compromise your authenticity. If you want to establish new habits, make this a part of your routine. Steady effort can lead to impressive progress.

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**AQUARIUS** January 21 to February 19  
**YOUR** enthusiasm carries you forward and this positive energy will benefit everyone around you. Embrace this momentum by considering new opportunities like applying for a new job. Get ready to inspire others with your expertise and skills.

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**SCORPIO** October 24 to November 22  
**BE** cautious if your boss or a seasoned professional seems overly friendly – they may have hidden motives. Investigate any unusual suggestions before making a long-term commitment. Ambitious plans could fail without enough practical support.

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**CAPRICORN** December 22 to January 20  
**AFTER** some recent changes you have sensed a void in your life. One solution is to locate the missing piece. The true test lies in finding someone you can confide in. To establish such a strong bond, you need to build mutual understanding.

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**PISCES** February 20 to March 20  
**IT'S** not easy having all eyes on you. Taking on new commitments makes you the focus of attention. Keeping your emotions in check will be a big challenge. A close friend's changing situation will have more impact on you than they realise.

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### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

**Across:** Outcrop, Plug, Show, Chivalry, Grumpy, Glitzy, Rancid, Trendy, Maximise, Palm, Fuse (clue), Perjury.

**Down:** Bother, Abacus, Stew, Machine, Tricky, Drippy, Spring, Theory, Praline, Plus, Quartz, Delays.

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- DANCE
- DUMBBELL
- GYM
- JOGGING
- MUSCLES
- PILATES
- PRESS UPS
- PUNCHBAG
- RUNNING
- SKIPPING
- SPINNING
- SWIMMING
- TREADMILL
- WALKING
- WEIGHTS
- WORKOUT
- YOGA
- ZUMBA

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FILL the grid so that every column, row and 3x3 square includes all the digits from one to 9.

**LEVEL:** Difficult, 26 Mins  
**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION**

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## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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## TWO-WAY TEASER

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**TWO sets of clues but the answers are the same...**

### CRYPTIC CLUES ACROSS

- 1 A drink is maybe what the darts-player needs (6)
- 4 Don't agree to amalgamate once more (6)
- 7 I take friend out in vessel (4)
- 8 Vehicle in the distance is not hostile (8)
- 9 Scoring in many games but not tennis (7)
- 12 Dad loses his heart and follows love that's strange (3)
- 14 Made to smile by a thought? (6)
- 15 They may be square or round (6)
- 16 An agreeable answer (3)
- 18 Unusually angered and upset (7)
- 22 It's fat and very wet (8)
- 23 Halt returning vessels (4)
- 24 Averts disaster only to die

- of hunger (6)
- 25 Go about two? (6)

### DOWN

- 1 It may help to rescue a country from mad policy (9)
- 2 Tributes paid to organised labour (5,4)
- 3 Insist on getting the payment absolutely correct (5)
- 4 Rule that holds George initially in check (5)
- 5 Combat wear (4)
- 6 Firm I didn't buy out? (5)
- 10 Mind about the mid-afternoon drift (5)
- 11 Smallest possible quantity
- of cereal (5)
- 12 Sort of stall for the frisky carthorse (9)
- 13 Not a good state of mind for decorating? (9)
- 17 Regretted caging a bird (5)
- 19 He's forced to live off his land (5)
- 20 Old car doesn't start, causing exasperation (5)
- 21 A boom in shipping, perhaps (4)

### QUICK CLUES ACROSS

- 1 Twofold (6)
- 4 Turn down (6)
- 7 Bucket (4)

- 8 Friendly (8)
- 9 Meshed fencing (7)
- 12 Strange (3)
- 14 Entertained (6)
- 15 Capers (6)
- 16 Affirmative (3)
- 18 Upset (7)
- 22 Meat fat (8)
- 23 Cease (4)
- 24 Famish (6)
- 25 Mend (6)

### DOWN

- 1 Tact (9)
- 2 Subscriptions to workers' organisations (5,4)
- 3 Precise (5)
- 4 Rule (5)
- 5 Wear by rubbing (4)
- 6 Dense (5)
- 10 Tendency (5)
- 11 Cereal (5)
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- 20 Ire (5)
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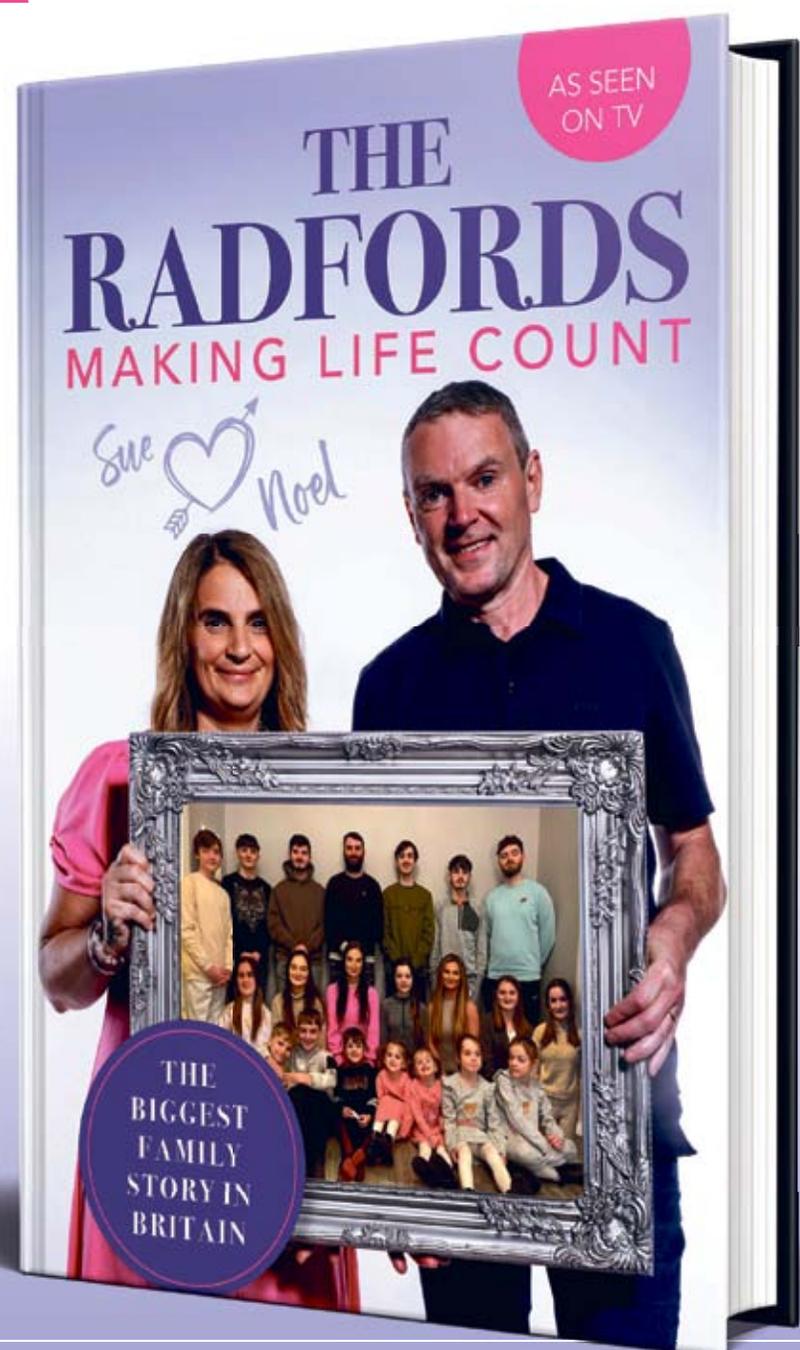
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WHO'S HOT, WHO'S NOT

TERRIFIC TRAINERS: (Most wins last 14 days) W Haggas 15; R Beckett 14; J T Gosden 11; K Ryan 9; M Appleby 9; G Boughey 9; A Carroll 8; A Balding 8; J Goldie 8. SUFFERING STABLES: (Runners since last win) M Barnes 84; C Dunnett 78; M Attwater 58; M Murphy & M Keady 53. HOT JOCKS: (Most wins last 14 days) William Buick 15; Oisin Murphy 14; Tom Marquand 9; James Doyle 8; Silvestre De Sousa 8. RIDE OUT OF LUCK: (Rides since last win) Laura Pearson 79; C Rabitt 49; Charlotte Jones 44; T Kieley-Marshall 43; George Wood 40.

STARFORM TREBLE

NAP: CRACKSKING (7.35 Kempton) NB: INDEMNITY (3.40 Kempton) TRB: ALBERT CEE (3.40 Haydock)

HEAVEY'S NAP

KODE SECRET (4.45 Haydock) has scored twice over the same trip at Carlisle and Redcar. He has risen 11lb as a result but has enough in the tank for the hat-trick.

BEST EACH-WAY

WHITCOMBE ROCKSTAR (7.00 Kempton) won twice over course and distance prior to finishing 12th of 12 last time. Can bounce back.

MAGIC COMBINATIONS

HAYDOCK: None. KEMPTON: Tom Marquand rides 5.15 Jakarta for P & O Cole, previous combinations 3 wins from 5 mounts 60% strike rate at course. Tom Marquand rides 7.35 Cracksking, 8.45 Al Ameen for J Fanshawe, previous combinations 6 wins from 19 mounts 32% strike rate at course. NEWBURY: None. PERTH: Peter Kavanagh rides 3.48 Malangen, 5.20 Dalileo for Miss L Harrison, previous combinations 2 wins from 5 mounts 40% strike rate at course. YARMOUTH: Marco Ghiani rides 3.00 Dottie Diamond for W Stone, previous combinations 3 wins from 14 mounts 21% strike rate at course.

NEW QUARTERS

HORSES having their first runs for new trainers. HAYDOCK: 3.40 Toussarak (C Johnston to A Carroll). KEMPTON: 7.35 Naval Commander (R Brislant to F Brennan), 8.10 Morning Suit (A Watson to P McEntee), 8.10 Rogue Rosie (Tom Glover to Alice Haynes), 8.45 Ocean Plover (Miss J Davis to M Usher). NEWBURY: None. PERTH: 2.18 Easter Glory (Michael Cregan to R M Smith), 2.48 Sergeant Wilson (N Twiston-Davies to R M Smith). YARMOUTH: 5.00 Queen Jean (R Beckett to Harry Charlton).

WIND SURGERY

HAYDOCK: Ready To Shine (2.10). KEMPTON: Rouge Seller (6.25), Tahitian Prince (7.00). PERTH: Prince Nino (3.48).

NEWBURY sky sports racing

6.10 RAPID PERSONNEL APPRENTICE HANDICAP Class 5 5f (10 runners) £5,757

Table with 2 columns: Race number and horse name/odds. Includes horses like SAFARI DREAM, HURT YOU NEVER, LIHOU, EEN BAH GUM, HEARTRATE, CONCIERGE, SPLIT THE PROFIT, MACANUDO, BINT HAVANA GOLD, TWENTY BOY.

STARFORM SPLIT THE PROFIT 1-1fav (9-2) Keen tracked leaders, ridden over 1f out, head-way to chase winner towards finish, 2nd of 10, 3/4l behind Ingleby Archie (9-6) at Redcar 5f mdn hcp 0-70 (5) gf in Jun. macanudo 4-1 (9-3) Prominent, short of room and bumped by rival 2f out, soon pushed along, weakened from 1f out, 7th of 12, 6l behind Old Chums (9-7) at Chester 6f 3yo hcp 0-75 (5) gf in Jun. Lihou 13-2 (9-2) Tracked leaders, ridden 2f out, stayed on to go 2nd towards finish, 2nd of 9, 3/4l behind Regal Envoy (4-1) at Salisbury 6f hcp 0-75 (5) gf in Jun. Hurt You Never 8-1 (9-11) Prominent, led 4f out, headed 3f out, edged right over 1f out, held but kept on inside final furlong, 3rd of 9, 3/4l behind Strike (9-9) at Newbury 6f hcp 0-70 (5) gf in Jun. Safari Dream 5-2 (9-7) Raced against near side rail, held up in last tri, pushed along and outpaced halfway, not clear run and switched left inside final furlong, plugged on in modest 4th, 4th of 6, 1/2l behind Spring Is Sprung (9-2) at Lingfield 5f hcp (5) gd in Jun. Bint Havana Gold 10-1 (9-9) Held up in rear, pushed along over 2f out, kept on without threatening, 3rd of 7, 2l behind Kiss And Run (9-9) at Windsor 5f hcp (5) gf in Jun. STARFORM: SPLIT THE PROFIT DANGER: Macanudo

6.45 EBF FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES Class 4 2YO 6f (9 runners) £6,480

Table with 2 columns: Race number and horse name/odds. Includes horses like ANGELICA BAY, BRIGHTWALTON, CROCODILE RIVER, GLAMOUR SHOW, HANDCUFFED, HAVANA DANCE, LIMEGREENTANGERINE, SHOSTAKOVA, STELLENBOSCH.

Star Betting: 7-2 Havana Dance, 4 Shostakova, Handcuffed, 5 Brightwalton, 7 Stellenbosch, 8 Angelica Bay, 10 Glamour Show, 20 Crocodile River, 33 Limegreentangerine. 2023: Miss Show Off 9, 2, John Fahy 4-1 (C Cox), drawn (4), 8 ran. STARFORM: SHOSTAKOVA DANGER: Havana Dance

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP

Table with 2 columns: Horse name and odds. Includes Hurt You Never, Handcuffed, King Of Bears, Woodstock, Ravensweller, Hey Big Spender, Bint Havana Gold, Brightwalton, Chelsea Embankment, Red Maids, Outgun, New Kings Road.

7.20 TIE THE KNOT AT UFTON COURT NOVICE STKS Class 4 2YO 6f (10 runners) £6,480

Table with 2 columns: Race number and horse name/odds. Includes CHELSEA EMBANKMENT, GLENDINE, MAXIMUS, JET PACKER, KING OF BEARS, NEIGHAT, SPELL MASTER, THE WACO KID, TOKEN GESTURE, WAR HOWL.

Star Betting: 3 King Of Bears, 7-2 Chelsea Embankment, 9-2 Spell Master, 13-2 Meeghat, 15-2 The Waco Kid, 8 1 Maximus, 12 War Howl, Jet Packer, 50 others. 2023: Starlust 9 5, Hector Crouch 9-2 (R Beckett), drawn (5), 8 ran.

7.55 BILLINGTON FOODS HANDICAP Class 4 7f (8 runners) £7,328

Table with 2 columns: Race number and horse name/odds. Includes WOODSTOCK, HAT TOSS, CHOLA EMPIRE, RED MAIDS, ALGHEED, TADREEB, SUREFLY, STATE FLAG.

Star Betting: 3 Hat Toss, 9-2 Purefoy, State Flag, 5 Red Maids, 7 Woodstock, 8 Algehed, 10 Chola Empire, 14 Tadreeb. 2023: Youarenotforgiven 5 9 12, Mollie Phillips(3) 10-3 JtFav (A Carroll), drawn (8), 7 ran. STARFORM HAT TOSS 11-5fav (9-8) Steadied start, held up in rear, switched right over 1f out, never dangerous, 6th of 7, 2 1/2l behind Eagle Day (9-0) at Haydock 1m hcp 0-80 (4) gf in Jun. State Flag 9-1 (9-9) Held up in rear, never involved, 7th of 9, 9l behind Sunfall (9-9) at Sandown 7f 3yo hcp 0-75 (5) gf in Jun. Purefoy 28-1 (8-8) Close up, ridden along over 2f out, faded gradually from over 1f out, 12th of 13, 17l behind Love Billy Boy (8-1) at Chester 1m 3yo hcp (2) sft in Jun. Red Maids 16-1 (9-9) Dwelt, held up in rear, raced towards far side, headway and edged left over 2f out, no impression, 2nd of 13, 1 3/4l behind Yarnari (10-2) at Newbury 7f hcp 0-75 (5) gf in Jun. STARFORM: HAT TOSS DANGER: State Flag

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

8.25 BILLINGTON FOUNDATION HANDICAP Class 5 1m 2f (12 runners) £5,757

Table with 2 columns: Race number and horse name/odds. Includes LADY OF ARABIA, FAST STEPS, DUNDORY, OUTGUN, SEE THAT STORM, RACING DEMON, MELERI, GENTLE WHINNY, BLUE COLLAR, KINGKEER, LOVE PARIS, RAVENSWELL.

Star Betting: 4 See That Storm, 9-2 Outgun, 5 Racing Demon, 13-2 Ravenswell, 7 Fast Steps, 10 Blue Collar, 12 Kingkeer, 14 1 Love Paris, 16 others. 2023: Finest Leader 3 9 5, Oisin Murphy 13-8 Fav (H & R Charlton), drawn (1), 7 ran. STARFORM: FAST STEPS DANGER: See That Storm

9.00 BILLINGTON FOUNDATION HANDICAP (STR) Class 5 3YO 1m (10 runners) £5,757

Table with 2 columns: Race number and horse name/odds. Includes THE FERRET, MACHIAVELLIAN LADY, GREAT CHIEFTAIN, FLAG CARRIER, NEW KINGS ROAD, HAPPY CHANDLER, BLUE AKOYA, DOUBLE RED, TRIBAL CHIEF, HEY BIG SPENDER.

Star Betting: 5-2 New Kings Road, 5 Great Chieftain, 13-2 Tribal Chief, Double Red, 8 The Ferret, Hey Big Spender, 12 others. 2023: Ranger Thunderbolt 9 4, Kevin Stott 18-1 (R Brislant), drawn (4), 12 ran. STARFORM: TRIBAL CHIEF DANGER: The Ferret

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

BATH 6.00: 1, SISTERS IN THE SKY (K Stott 9-1); 2, Second Collection (4-1 fav); 3, Diamond Cottage (8-1). 1/2l, nk, 9 ran. G Harris. Tote: £10.00; pl £2.90, £1.70, £1.90. Exacta: £51.90. Tricast: £280.44. Trifecta: £321.30. CSF: £41.31. 6.30: 1, ABOLISH (W Carson 11-2); 2, Lili Guif (3-1); 3, Faro De San Juan (11-4). 5-2 fav Crimson Angel, nk, 1/4l, 5 ran. A Carroll. Tote: £6.50; pl £2.40, £1.90. Exacta: £19.90. Tricast: £74.00. CSF: £20.76. NR: The Coffee Pod. 7.00: 1, WEDGWOOD (L Morris 9-4 fav); 2, Glamorous Joy (10-1); 3, Katar (7-2), nk, 1/4l, 7 ran. A Carroll. Tote: £3.25; pl £1.80, £3.70. Exacta: £26.20. Trifecta: £111.90. CSF: £24.24. NR: La Verite, Zeno. 7.35: 1, ATLANTIS BLUE (J Crowley 11-8 fav); 2, Darysina Gold (11-4); 3, Zariela (2-1), 1l, 1/4l, 6 ran. G Baker. Tote: £2.38; pl £1.30, £1.60. Exacta: £5.70. Trifecta: £7.40. CSF: £5.23. 8.10: 1, IMPRINT (R Hornby 12-1); 2, Alyara (6-1); 3, Sneaky Binder (8-1), 11-8 fav Foinix, hd, 3l, 10 ran. M Rimell. Tote: £13.70; pl £3.50, £1.90, £2.50. Exacta: £80.10. Trifecta: £536.70. CSF: £82.89. 8.45: 1, BLUE HERO (F Marsh 5-4 fav); 2, A Poet's Secret (11-1); 3, Checkmout (5-1), 2/4l, hd, 7 ran. A Wintle. Tote: £2.25; pl £1.70, £4.60. Exacta: £10.70. Tricast: £49.16. Trifecta: £64.40. CSF: £15.39. NR: Miss Raindrop. QUADPOT: £48.30 PLACEPOT: £230.90 EPSOM DOWNS 6.20: 1, GISELLE DEFENCE (J Leavy evens fav); 2, Mrembo (5-1); 3, Oj Lifestyle (5-1), 6 1/2l, 1/4l, 7 ran. J Williams. Tote: £2.00; pl £1.20, £2.10. Exacta: £5.80. Trifecta: £18.60. CSF: £5.81. 6.50: 1, HOT CASH (D Probert 9-2); 2, Sir Peter Fossick (7-2); 3, Jack Andrea (10-1), 9-4 fav Bracklesham Bay, 1/2l, 5/2l, 7 ran. J Channon. Tote: £5.50; pl £2.30, £2.00. Exacta: £16.50. Trifecta: £85.10. CSF: £19.60. 7.25: 1, GET IT (P Cosgrave 11-4); 2, Mr Wagyu (85-40 fav); 3, Princess Shabnam (8-1), 1/4l, 1/2l, 6 ran. G Baker. Tote: £3.75; pl £1.70, £1.50. Exacta: £9.50. Trifecta: £35.10. CSF: £8.77. 8.00: 1, INCREMENTAL (O Murphy 13-2); 2, Haliphon (10-1); 3, Wahraan (7-2), 3-1 fav Atlantic Convoy, 3l, 2l, 8 ran. M Bell. Tote: £7.50; pl £2.30, £2.70, £1.60. Exacta: £72.60. Tricast: £264.49. Trifecta: £330.30. CSF: £68.92. 8.30: 1, MARTIN SPIRIT (J Hart 33-1); 2, Fighting Poet (33-1); 3, Ange On High (7-1), 3-1 fav Standbackandlook, nk, 3/4l, 14 ran. A West. Tote: £43.00; pl £3.00, £10.90, £2.20. Exacta: £837.60. Tricast: £7131.25. Trifecta: £3670.40. CSF: £776.72. NR: Robert Walpole. Robert Walpole Rule 4 applies to All Bets. deduct 5p in the pool. 9.00: 1, LITTLE BOY BLUE (R Havlin 28-1); 2, Tropez Power (11-2); 3, Mister Bluebird (7-2 fav), nk, 3/4l, 10 ran. W G M Turner. Tote: £32.20; pl £6.90, £2.10, £1.80. Exacta: £198.90. Tricast: £704.78. Trifecta: £1070.60. CSF: £176.54. JACKPOT: Not won, pool of £1,554.90 carried over. QUADPOT: £60.00 PLACEPOT: £226.70 MUSSELBURGH 2.30: 1, HARSWELL DANDY (Jason Watson 13-2); 2, Horus (5-1); 3, Colocolo (4-7 fav), 1/4l, 2l, 4 ran. R Fell & S Murray. Tote: £7.50; Exacta: £28.10. Trifecta: £32.50. CSF: £32.55. 3.00: 1, ESCARPMENT (Jason Watson 13-8 fav); 2, Crystal Guard (16-5); 3, Odd Venture (12-1), 3/4l, 4/4l, 7 ran. M Appleby. Tote: £2.63; pl £1.70, £1.70. Exacta: £6.90. Tricast: £43.43. Trifecta: £46.70. CSF: £6.92. NR: Penelope's Sister. 3.30: 1, CODE PURPLE (C Lee 15-2); 2, Pembrokehire (7-1); 3, Purple Martini (7-2 jfav), 7-2 jfav. Without Delay, 1/4l, 2l, 10 ran. B Haslam. Tote: £8.50; pl £2.40, £1.70, £1.90. Exacta: £63.70. Tricast: £223.18. Trifecta: £468.50. CSF: £57.18. NR: Concert Boy, Gordonstoun. 4.05: 1, JUMEIRA VISION (S James 7-2); 2, Scarriff (1-1 jfav); 3, Fanzone (14-1), 11-4 jfav Flight Of Angels, nk, 1/4l, 7 ran. K Scott. Tote: £4.50; pl £2.10, £1.80. Exacta: £15.40. Trifecta: £88.20. CSF: £13.25. 4.40: 1, KNIGHTS AFFAIR (Mark Winn 5-4 fav); 2, Trojan Sun (22-1); 3, Sea Master (4-1), 3l, 2l, 7 ran. D O'Meara. Tote: £2.25; pl £1.40, £7.20. Exacta: £25.30. Trifecta: £123.20. CSF: £32.19. 5.15: 1, JAMIE'S CHOICE (Dale Swift 7-2); 2, Golden Prosperity (6-1); 3, Embla (10-1), 9-4 fav Cuban Rock, 1/2l, ns, 6 ran. T Waggott. Tote: £4.50; pl £2.20, £2.80. Exacta: £22.30. Trifecta: £104.50. CSF: £22.70. NR: Essencial, Sound Of Iona. QUADPOT: £29.70 PLACEPOT: £358.20 THIRSK 2.15: 1, ALPHA MAGIC (B Garrity 40-1); 2, American Style (evens fav); 3, Bella Love (13-2), 1/2l, hd, 14 ran. M & D Easterby. Tote: £41.00; pl £9.20, £1.10, £1.80. Exacta: £145.00. Trifecta: £1025.50. CSF: £80.61. 2.45: 1, THE CRAFTY MOLE (D Tudhope 2-5 fav); 2, Believiantanducan (11-2); 3, Elforleather (11-1), nk, 3/2l, 6 ran. D O'Meara. Tote: £1.40; pl £1.10, £1.60. Exacta: £3.20. Trifecta: £10.30. CSF: £2.86. NR: Nancy P. 3.15: 1, THUNDER RUN (D Tudhope 5-4); 2, The Reverend (10-11 fav); 3, Appeal To Glory (50-1), 4/4l, 5/2l, 8 ran. K R Burke. Tote: £2.13; pl £1.10, £1.10, £5.60. Exacta: £2.00. Trifecta: £16.20. CSF: £2.29. NR: Urban Lion, Urban Lion) 29 ran. applies to All Bets, deduct 10p in the pool. 3.45: 1, LANGHOLM (C Beasley 11-2); 2, Bits And Bols (14-1); 3, Savvy Warrior (13-8 fav), 2/2l, 1/2l, 8 ran. M Dods. Tote: £6.50; pl £1.80, £3.60, £1.30. Exacta: £75.30. Tricast: £181.18. Trifecta: £272.60. CSF: £76.94. NR: My Honey B. 4.20: 1, PETRA CELERA (D Tudhope 9-2); 2, Patontheback (5-1); 3, Sunny Orange (7-1), 5-2 fav Arnaz, 3/4l, 1/4l, 8 ran. R Fell & S Murray. Tote: £17.20; pl £4.40, £1.70, £1.90. Exacta: £109.90. Tricast: £617.19. Trifecta: £484.70. CSF: £90.84. NR: One More Dream. 4.55: 1, JEHANGEER (T Eaves 13-2); 2, Manila Scouse (11-1); 3, Summerghand (15-8 fav), 1/4l, hd, 9 ran. K Ryan. Tote: £7.50; pl £1.90, £1.80, £3.10, £1.20. Exacta: £68.00. Tricast: £185.84. Trifecta: £240.20. CSF: £73.71. 5.25: 1, GARIFULLINA (S B Kiriene 13-2); 2, Calafino (10-3 fav); 3, Holbach (12-1), 1/4l, nk, 1l, 9 ran. J J Davies. Tote: £7.50; pl £1.90, £1.80, £4.00. Exacta: £38.00. Tricast: £221.55. Trifecta: £418.90. CSF: £28.63. 5.55: 1, TANTALUS (Joanna Mason 13-2); 2, Northern Prince (9-2); 3, Parson's Meadow (11-1), 4-1 fav Hombre, nk, nk, 1l, 11 ran. B Haslam. Tote: £7.50; pl £2.40, £1.60, £3.70. Exacta: £45.10. Tricast: £326.76. Trifecta: £473.50. CSF: £36.02. QUADPOT: £4.90 PLACEPOT: £6.80

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SPORTWORD

- ACROSS 1. West Brom and 2019 Nigeria striker (4,4) 7. Noah ..... 2019, 2022 and 2023 World Championships 200m gold medalist (5) 8. See 12 Across. 9. Vladimir ..... 1994-2001 Slovakia and 1997-99 Middlesbrough defender; 1997 FA Cup Final and 1998 League Cup Final runner-up against Chelsea (6) 10. Arthur ..... 1975 Wimbledon singles tennis champion (4) 12 and 8 Across. Car driven by the winner of the 1950 and 1951 F1 World Drivers' Championship (4,5) 14. John ..... 1967-81 Wolves defender; 1974 League Cup Final winner (6) 17. Troy ..... 2018 Commonwealth Games men's triple jump gold medalist (5) 18. Efan ..... 1994-97 Nigeria, 1993-94 Norwich and 1994-99 Wimbledon striker (5) 19. 1973 Wimbledon men's singles tennis champion (3,5) DOWN 1 and 6 Down. West Ham United, 2016-18 Spain, 2014-16 Porto, 2019-22 Sevilla and 2022-23 Wolverhampton Wanderers manager (5,9) 2. Cricket club; 2003, 2006 and 2007 County Championship winners (6) 3 and 4 Down. English golfer; winner of the 1982 Italian Open and 1990 Dunhill British Masters tournaments (4,5) 4. See 3 Down. 5 and 16 Down. 2012 Olympics Heavyweight boxing gold medalist representing Ukraine; undisputed Heavyweight champion since May (9,4) 6. See 1 Down. 11. Omar ..... 2016 Olympics men's 110m hurdles gold medalist (6) 13. Jose ..... 1983-88 Morocco national football team manager (5) 15. The ..... Millwall FC nickname (5) 16. See 5 Down.

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JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP
Quietness 2.10 Quietness
Nogo's Dream 2.40 Secret Mistral
Miss Hathaway 3.10 Raison D'etre
Grant Wood 3.40 Tiriac
Cavallo Bay 4.10 Sir Paul Ramsey
Kode Secret (nap) 4.45 Mostar Dreams

2.10 YALE FILLIES' HANDICAP
Class 5 1m 4f (5 runners) £4,187

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Quietness, Nogo's Dream, Miss Hathaway, Grant Wood, Cavallo Bay, Kode Secret.

2.40 APPRENTICE TRAINING SERIES HANDICAP
Class 5 5f (8 runners) £4,187

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Loco, Nogo's Dream, Secret Mistral, Fahrenheit Seven.

PERTH Racing TV

2.18 HORIZON PARKING MAIDEN HURDLE
Class 4 (10 flights) 2m 4f (12 run) £4,084

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Kells and Connor, Luckie Seven, Major Champion.

2.48 AEJ FACILITIES MANAGEMENT H'CAP HURDLE
Class 4 (8 flights) 2m (8 runners) £4,753

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Well Planted, Max of Stars, Carrarea.

3.18 SECURE AIR PARKS HANDICAP CHASE
Class 4 (15 fences) 2m 4f (7 run) £5,281

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Garde Des Champs, Stylish Recruit, Dickey Rieley.

YARMOUTH sky sports racing

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP
Blueflagflyinghigh 2.30 Blueflagflyinghigh
Haazeez 3.00 Shadow Of Light
Pretty Thing 3.30 Glistening
Queen's Company 4.00 Siempre Arturo
Salamanca City 4.30 Salamanca City
Zaman Daar (trb) 5.00 Scarlet Lady

2.30 'HANDS AND HEELS' APPRENTICE HANDICAP
Class 5 1m 2f (4 runners) £4,397

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Blueflagflyinghigh, Tango Man, Haazeez.

3.00 WEATHERBYS EBF MAIDEN STAKES
Class 4 2YO 6f (11 runners) £5,373

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Lapper Class, God of War, Haazeez.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT-GOOD IN PLACES

3.10 IRISH EBF MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES
Class 3 2YO 6f (9 runners) £5,400

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Brown Gold, Definitive, Ecology.

3.40 SUPALITE GROUP HANDICAP
Class 4 6f (13 runners) £6,281

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Raatea, Albert Cee, Triac, Hyperforce.

GOING: GOOD

3.48 HORIZON PARKING HANDICAP CHASE
Class 4 (10 flights) 2m 4f (11 run) £4,753

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Petrastar, Varnhagen, Bayonetta.

4.18 HORIZON PARKING HANDICAP CHASE
Class 5 (12 flights) 3m (8 run) £4,489

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Cardamon Hill, Meetmeintemorning, Easy Bucks.

4.50 HANDICAP HURDLE (DIV 1)
Class 5 (12 flights) 3m (10 run) £3,961

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Swallows Song, Diamond State, Blended Stealth.

5.20 HANDICAP HURDLE (DIV 2)
Class 5 (12 flights) 3m (10 run) £3,961

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Bullied, Shantuo Moon, Franckies Fire.

3.30 QUINNBT.COM MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES
Class 5 2YO 7f (8 runners) £3,672

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Baileys Honeymoon, Bantmah, Eighth Avenue.

4.00 QUINNBT BEST ODDS HANDICAP
Class 5 1m 2f (7 runners) £4,397

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Siempre Arturo, Due To Henry, Siempre Arturo.

TOP TRAINERS (with runners) R Hannon 26 winners, (14.6% strike rate), £13.61, T Easterby 22, (7.4%), £107.08, C Appleby 20, (32.8%), £12.00, K Ryan 19, (11.5%), £38.51.

TOP JOCKEYS (with mounts) Jason Hart 12 winners, (12.5% strike rate), £18.55, Callum Rodriguez 12, (18.2%), £3.86, Rossa Ryan 11, (12.0%), £36.88.

4.10 ODL QUEEN OF THE NORTH EBF NOVICE STKS
Class 3 2YO 7f (10 runners) £5,400

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Cavallo Bay, Berkshires Smudge, Claim To Glory.

4.45 EUROCELL 'GROW WITH US' HANDICAP
Class 5 3YO 7f (11 runners) £4,187

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Mostar Dreams, Project Geofin, Arkhalia Flynn.

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP
Bishop Hill 2.18 Major Champion
Max Of Stars 2.48 Annie Agnew
Stylish Recruit 3.18 The Gypsy Davey
Malangen 3.48 Earth Cry
Easy Bucks 4.18 Up For Appeal
Pammi 4.50 Pammi
Daileo 5.20 Somebody's Fortune

5.20 HANDICAP HURDLE (DIV 2)
Class 5 (12 flights) 3m (10 run) £3,961

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Swallows Song, Diamond State, Blended Stealth.

5.20 HANDICAP HURDLE (DIV 2)
Class 5 (12 flights) 3m (10 run) £3,961

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Bullied, Shantuo Moon, Franckies Fire.

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JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP
Jakarta 5.15 Modern Utopia
Everywhere 5.50 Juneberry
Russian Crescendo 6.25 Consuelo (nb)
Pumalin Park (nb) 7.00 Indemnity
Ludo's Landing 7.35 Cracksking (nap)
Crafty Spirit 8.10 Heathcliff
Glamorous Express 8.45 Habooba

GOING: STANDARD TO SLOW

TRACKFACTS Right-handed Polytrack all-weather course. 1m round with tight turns and a 3f run-in. Stalls touch inside.

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Jakarta, Everywhere, Russian Crescendo.

5.15 UNIBET ZERO% MISSION EBF FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES
Class 5 2YO 7f (6 runners) £3,672

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Jakarta, Loven Leven, Modern Utopia.

5.50 UNIBET MORE BOOSTS FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (DIV 1)
Class 5 1m 3f (10 runners) £3,780

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Autumn's Breeze, Bittalemon, Domains Des Combes.

6.25 UNIBET MORE BOOSTS FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (DIV 2)
Class 5 1m 3f (9 runners) £3,780

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Burgeon, Consuelo, Falsetto.

7.00 UNIBET SUPPORT SAFE GAMBLING HANDICAP
Class 4 1m (12 runners) £5,757

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Indemnity, Diamond Ring, Sudden Ambush.

7.35 UNIBET ZERO% MISSION HANDICAP
Class 3 1m 4f (11 runners) £7,731

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Global Heat, There's The Door, Cracksking.

8.10 TRY UNIBET'S IMPROVED BET BUILDER HANDICAP
Class 5 3YO 6f (12 runners) £4,187

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes Heathcliff, Morning Suit, Aidan Andabettin.

8.45 UNIBET MORE EXTRA PLACES RACES HANDICAP
Class 5 6f (12 runners) £4,187

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Horse Name, Jockey, Trainer, Odds, and Weight. Includes One More Wave, Walking On Clouds, Al Ameen.

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# BIRCH FELL

## City Of Troy rival forced to pull out of Eclipse

**CITY OF TROY is the sponsor's 2-5 hotpot (from 1-2) for Saturday's Coral-Eclipse after chief market rival White Birch fell by the wayside yesterday.**

The John Murphy-trained four-year-old, the three-length conqueror of Auguste Rodin in the Group One Tattersalls Gold Cup at the Curragh last month, was forced to miss a rematch in the Prince of Wales's Stakes - last year's Derby hero went on to triumph at Royal Ascot - by a low-grade virus. Connections warned White Birch, Coral's 5-1 second favourite, could miss a clash with 2023 Derby victor City Of Troy at Sandown Park pending the results of further blood tests. And yesterday Murphy's son and assistant George ruled the son of

by DAVID YATES

Ulysses out of the clash of the generations, reporting the colt's latest blood sample had not "come back 100 per cent perfect".

"He seems to be in tip-top shape but we don't want to risk anything," he said. "You don't go to any race without having everything right, but especially a top-class Group One."

"Obviously, it's a bit of a disappointment that he won't be travelling this weekend and I'll speak to his owners and they will decide where he will go next."

Epsom sixth Dancing Gemini and Prix du Jockey Club fourth Ghostwriter are now 7-1 joint-second favourites and the former's trainer Roger Teal said: "I think the step back to a mile and a quarter will be ideal - he just failed to stay the distance in the Derby."



**WHITE OUT:** White Birch has failed a blood test prior to Saturday's Coral-Eclipse

# Fatalities were unique

by DAVID YATES

THE British Horseracing Authority has ruled that "unique circumstances" were the cause of four equine fatalities at Newton Abbot on June 25.

Racing's regulator pledged the deaths of Happy Helen, Hallowed Rose, Bala Brook and Cuzzicombe would be "thoroughly investigated".

Ahead of the Devon course's meeting on Friday, a BHA statement said: "The BHA's Racecourse and Facilities Manager is satisfied that there was no issue with the racing surface or any other facility at the track that caused these incidents."

"It has been determined that each injury was sustained in unique circumstances and there appears to be no external factor linking them."

CIEREN FALLON (above) is ruled out for the next few weeks after suffering two fractured vertebrae in a fall at Windsor on Monday evening.



Table with 4 columns of horse names and odds. Includes horses like Haydock K, Blue Akoya, Dalileo, etc.

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## GREYHOUNDS

### NOTTINGHAM

- 11.09 TIDY UP CLOUD (4).....Sparkler (2)
11.27 CUSHIE MAESTRO (1).....Glideaway Bono (6)
11.43 MILLROAD HEIDI (5).....Honour Rihanna (3)
12.01 MASONMONKEYMAC (4) Shockwave Ice (6)
12.18 BERTIES LAD (2).....Billis Starlet (1)
12.34 TRACY'S ROCK (nap) (2).....Bellmore Bailey (3)
12.51 RACKETHALL NIFTY (3).....Shianns Gem (6)
1.08 FAIREST VILLAGE (nb) (6). Lets Go Champ (3)
1.26 LAGILE FERNANDO (2).....Wolf Rebel (4)
1.42 KAYLEIGH (4).....Kranky Don (6)
1.59 GREY WIND (1).....Laughil Oscar (5)
2.14 JESSIE DREAM (3).....Thistlecrack Boy (5)

### CRAYFORD

- 2.23 OLWINN DASHER (1).....Droopys Anchor (5)
2.41 KIRA (2).....Moaning Capriati (5)
3.01 CORBALL CHUBBS (1).....Wicky Moe (3)
3.19 TEACHERS TEMPEST (nap) (3) Lisnakill Lance (2)
3.38 REAVEYS REBEL (4).....Capel Cutie (3)
3.57 DECE GREEN (2).....Gusty Boo (3)
4.16 DROOPYS SUNBEAM (1).....Silver Bow (5)
4.34 SLOWLANE SANDY (6).....Earls Ruby (4)
4.28 SAY RUBY (1).....Droopys Promise (3)
5.12 MOLLYCODDLE (5).....Minella Wildcat (4)
5.31 YOULLALWAYSHAVME (nb) (4).Kellsboro Roly (3)
5.49 LE FOU (6).....Swift Rally (3)

### PERRY BARR

- 2.29 POLLYHADADOLLY (6).....Firecrackerheid (2)
2.48 OBSESSION (5).....Avongate Adonis (1)
3.07 PORTHALL PAT (2).....Crafty San Diego (5)
3.26 SHOCKWAVE WICCA (nb) (5).Blacklabel Bob (1)
3.44 BLACKLABEL ELLEN (4).....Darbys Rainbow (1)
4.03 EASY MAGIC (2).....Swift Saba (3)
4.22 BALLYBRAZIL OREO (nap) (4).....Oakfront Gem (6)
4.41 LEAVE A LEGACY (5).....Take Em On (6)
4.59 SHORTWOOD CLOUD (3) Lasso The Moon (1)
5.18 CLASSY GOREY (1).....Refuse To Give (4)
5.37 FAITH IN PALOMA (2).....Ferryforth Daisy (6)
5.56 RIDGEMOUNT LUCKY (5).....Eilys Blue (4)

### KINSELY

- 2.36 JAXLEG SWIFT (3).....Jaxleg Sue (4)
2.54 FEARMORE COLIN (nap) (1).....Restless Jet (5)
3.13 DEENEYS DELIGHT (2).....Parkview Alice (3)
3.32 SUNSET DAYBREAK (3) Drop The Torpedo (5)
3.51 AMELIAS DELIGHT (2).....Ballymac Pia (4)
4.09 GRUMPY GLADYS (3).....Black Albatross (6)
4.28 SAY GRACE (nb) (1).....Saratoga Arteta (3)
4.47 SEB VET (2).....Burrow Wild (1)
5.06 RECTORS REPRIEVE (5) Clondoughs Mia (4)
5.24 VANILLA SLICE (1).....Barnfield Tune (5)
5.43 IVY HALL LILLY (3).....Lundhill Alfie (6)
6.02 SLEEPY BALE (6).....Group Goldie Lox (1)

### HOVE SKY SPORTS

- 6.08 MARSTON JESS (1).....Avarua Zlatan (2)
6.26 PUNK ROCK HOBBIT (6).....Oi Oi Sausage (4)
6.42 ADREAMTOSHARE (6).....Lightfoot Stevie (1)
6.59 FOREVER BILLY (5).....Moustows Muttley (6)
7.16 ROANNA ZARA (nap) (2).....Rapido Ava (5)
7.33 SHARP STAR (6).....Bluestar Pilot (4)
7.49 INGRIDS WISH (6).....Ettas Dream (5)
8.07 INSAINE MARSHALL (2).....Sportmans Penny (3)
8.24 GREENYS MAGIC (nb) (4) Heroyalhighness (1)
8.41 ANTIGUA PADDY (4).....Rules For Some (1)
8.59 ANTIGUA ANNA (1).....Kitmins Nelis (5)
9.16 TOUCHDOWN THEO (1).....Jossa The Dossa (3)

### MONMORE

- 6.14 RAVENSWELL ZIPPY (nap) (3).....Skyfall Sirius (1)
6.31 SIGNET MERYL (2).....Bangon Elvis (1)
6.48 ALIEN DREAM (5).....Hilton Mary (6)
7.06 IVY HILL GEORGE (6).....Alien Wildfire (5)
7.22 BANG ON EDITH (5).....Kilara Coco (4)
7.39 FINBOROUGH FLYER (5).....Hawk (6)
7.56 AERO BRENO (6).....Drumdoit Theo (2)
8.13 ROMANTIC CAT (5).....Swift Eaglestone (6)
8.31 PLAZA TONI (4).....Aero Maestro (1)
8.47 COR BLIMEY (6).....Roxhill Monarch (4)
9.04 SEAVIEW SYDNEY (nb) (4).....Icemans Girl (1)
9.23 LONGACRES HONEY (4).....Howbinyas Moya (5)

## BAGS WINNERS AND PRICES

### HARLOW

- 11.04: Trapstyle Dolly (5) 9-2, Waikiki Tune (4) 18-1, bf: £86.74, tri: (5-4-1) £339.95. 11.21: Rapido Drops (6) 11-8 fav, A Pet (5) 13-8, NR: Brynoffa Bambi (res), bf: £4.59, tri: (6-5-4) £0.00. 11.38: Gurtacreehy Crew (3) 5-2, Definitive Force (1) 2-1, f.v, bf: £3.48, tri: (3-1-6) £0.00. 11.54: Aurora Slippy (5) 11-4, Blastoff Bailly (1) 6-1, bf: £22.95, tri: (5-1-3) £61.89. 12.12: Keeper Lit (3) 2-1, Holycross Hollie (1) 9-2, NR: Dark Romeo (res), f.v, bf: £12.05, tri: (3-1-5) £0.00. 12.29: Ranchuelo (res), bf: £12.05, tri: (3-1-5) £0.00. 12.29: Franky Summer (4) 11-4, Beechwood Brandy (5) 9-2, bf: £18.77, tri: (4-5-3) £67.22. 12.46: Flamimgmagical (6) 11-8 fav, Moss Row Madam (4) 6-1, NR: Airlie Sunshine (res), bf: £11.95, tri: (6-4-3) £0.00. 1.03: Crying Jonesy (3) 13-8 fav, Maybe Banter (6) 7-4, bf: £5.15, tri: (3-6-2) £0.00. 1.19: Helters Skelter (6) 7-4 fav, Cree Lullaby (4) 20-1, bf: £38.33, tri: (6-4-3) £98.39. 1.37: Essjay Forest (6) 3-1, Small Johnny (5) 3-1, bf: £13.85, tri: (6-5-4) £47.57. 1.54: Millview Blondie (1) Evens fav, Beslo Sarah (3) 6-1, bf: £9.11, tri: (1-3-6) £0.00. 2.11: Essjay Christine (1) 11-8 fav, Burgess Mentor (5) 7-1, bf: £13.85, tri: (1-5-6) £28.21.

### HOVE

- 2.23: Crossfield Maxi (4) 10-3, Burrows Diamond (6) 2-1, bf: £13.43, tri: (4-6-2) £0.00. 2.41: Pocket Jet (1) 5-4 fav, Reality Tipp (4) 9-1, bf: £15.51, tri: (1-4-5) £35.73. 3.01: Jesse Gee James (3) 3-1, Antigua Guinness (5) 6-4 fav, bf: £10.24, tri: (3-5-1) £0.00. 3.19: Optic Rambo (5) 7-2, Bandit Pebbles (1) 5-4 fav, bf: £10.67, tri: (5-1-3) £0.00. 3.38: Toffee Tiger (6) 4-1, Hazelhill Madge (2) 10-1, bf: £43.28, tri: (6-2-3) £0.00. 3.57: Smuriever (2) 5-4 fav, Melbury Curly (4) 1-8, bf: £5.85, tri: (2-4-3) £0.00. 4.16: Feadh Cailin (4) 15-8 fav, Hopes Melody (1) 4-1, bf: £10.95, tri: (4-1-2) £0.00. 4.34: Rioja Minstrel (5) 3-1, Alarming Awol (3) 8-1, bf: £30.41, tri: (5-3-1) £0.00. 4.53: Farranroy Blitz (6) 11-1, Sportsmans News (4) 6-1, bf: £81.88, tri: (6-4-2) £0.00. 5.12: Punkrock Perkele (2) 15-8 fav, Typhoon Bombay (1) 9-4, bf: £7.39, tri: (2-1-5) £25.57. 5.31: Pocket Bullsve (1) 10-3, Gigis Parachute (3) 6-4 fav, bf: £11.60, tri: (1-3-5) £0.00. 5.49: Murraybirds Boy (5) 10-11 fav, Broadfieldbullet (4) 9-2, bf: £6.97, tri: (5-4-3) £26.25.

### MONMORE

- 11.01: Kilara Honey (1) 11-8 fav, Gatchells Sky (6) 9-2, bf: £9.33, tri: (1-6-5) £19.15. 11.18: Red Camellia (3) 2-1 fav, Moanteen Mason (6) 5-1, bf: £14.18, tri: (3-6-4) £67.61. 11.34: Glavin Laz (3) 6-1, Final Friend (1) 2-1 jt-fav, bf: £24.57, tri: (3-1-2) £59.79. 11.52: Fab Farm Sid (3) 7-2, Swift Fagan (5) 6-1, bf: £31.04, tri: (3-5-4) £70.69. 12.09: Mindyoumners (6) 10-11 fav, Sugar Boy Franky (2) 7-1, NR: Outdoor Sacred (res), bf: £9.59, tri: (6-2-1) £0.00. 12.26: Rosshill Tina (1) 7-4, Spring Dancer (5) 9-1, bf: £21.64, tri: (1-5-2) £73.09. 12.42: Winterfield Bob (5) 15-8 fav, Velvet Mini (6) 4-1, bf: £10.97, tri: (5-6-3) £41.43. 12.59: Emerald Sarah (3) 5-1, Elderberry Luna (6) 4-6 fav, bf: £14.03, tri: (3-6-5) £75.11. 1.17: Elderberry Hazel (1) 5-2, Crossfield David (6) 14-1, bf: £40.63, tri: (1-6-4) £98.83. 1.33: Droopys Sunset (1) 4-1, Aero Azrich (2) 3-1, bf: £17.41, tri: (1-2-3) £81.87. 1.51: Drumdoit Stella (1) 15-8 co-fav, Bit View Barry (4) 15-8 co-fav, bf: £7.04, tri: (1-4-2) £10.66. 2.07: Light Up Lucy (2) 7-2, Hitthelids Lolly (1) 5-1, bf: £30.29, tri: (2-1-4) £0.00.

### NEWCASTLE

- 2.29: Gartcloss Tam (1) 10-3, Alnwick Fire (3) 4-1, bf: £19.08, tri: (1-3-2) £62.63. 2.48: Alnwick Tommy (1) 2-1 fav, Blackhouse Finn (2) 7-2, bf: £9.34, tri: (1-2-5) £23.51. 3.07: Canny Mini (2) 5-2 fav, Jayque Dazzle (5) 18-1, bf: £54.79, tri: (2-5-6) £177.82. 3.26: John The Joiner (5) 2-1 fav, Alnwick Turbo (6) 11-4, bf: £9.02, tri: (5-6-2) £22.38. 3.44: Alnwick Patch (6) 15-8 fav, Bruno On Fire (5) 9-4, bf: £7.07, tri: (6-5-2) £14.34. 4.03: Babs Bonnie (2) 15-8 fav, Isak On Fire (1) 4-1, bf: £10.89, tri: (2-1-4) £30.69. 4.22: Blackhousebrooke (2) 5-1, Westforth Lindy (3) 11-10 fav, bf: £15.75, tri: (2-3-6) £33.95. 4.41: Texas Bonnie (1) 15-8 fav, Droopys Clare (4) 3-1, bf: £8.44, tri: (1-4-3) £22.61. 4.59: Drumdoit Lady (4) 10-3, Ballybiggin Bus (1) 9-2, bf: £22.07, tri: (4-1-2) £54.23. 5.18: Ava Amelia (1) 9-4, Alnwick Martyn (4) 7-4 fav, bf: £7.74, tri: (1-4-6) £35.03. 5.37: Hey Duke (6) 4-6 fav, Alnwick United (3) 4-1, bf: £4.99, tri: (6-5-3) £10.06. 5.56: Move Over Love (1) 13-8 fav, Swift Elliot (5) 7-1, bf: £15.46, tri: (1-5-3) £38.63.

### NOTTINGHAM

- 11.09: Jaymir Tara (5) 15-8 fav, Neaves Noodle (6) 12-1, bf: £25.05, tri: (5-6-1) £66.88. 11.27: New Cross Nights (1) 2-1, Jimmys Gadgets (5) 15-8 fav, NR: Peads News (res), bf: £6.95, tri: (1-5-3) £0.00. 11.43: Harwell Silver (3) 7-4, West Bank Ruby (6) 7-1, bf: £16.70, tri: (3-6-2) £21.12. 12.01: Swift Satisfy (5) 4-1, Pilgrims Pride (3) 8-1, bf: £48.29, tri: (5-3-6) £127.29. 12.18: Aslan (4) 11-10 fav, Diego Spitfire (3) 6-5, bf: £2.84, tri: (4-3-5) £9.93. 12.34: Saracen (2) 7-1, Jaymir Bono (4) 11-4, bf: £40.03, tri: (2-4-1) £117.66. 12.51: Baby Arc (1) 20-1, Sudokoy Sullivan (3) 5-1, bf: £117.36, tri: (1-3-6) £550.60. 1.08: Wolf Moon (5) 13-8, Blythe Belpine (2) 6-1, bf: £14.69, tri: (5-2-1) £55.95. 1.26: Macalpine (2) 15-8 fav, Coney Worldie (4) 2-1, bf: £7.09, tri: (2-4-3) £18.46. 1.42: Tex Brit (6) 13-8 fav, Jaymir Monica (5) 2-1, bf: £5.79, tri: (6-5-3) £18.82. 1.59: Jaymir Arlo (3) 10-3, Hitthebottleneck (6) 2-1, bf: £14.64, tri: (3-6-5) £64.38. 2.14: Harwell Charlie (4) 9-2, Jaymir Susie (2) 9-4, bf: £21.33, tri: (4-2-5) £40.88.

## SHEFFIELD SKY SPORTS

### 11.01 (A3) 500m

- 1 2341 Tommys Image (md fw).....29.58
2 433 Move It Molly (r) ro.....29.49
3 2511 Worsley Warrior (wd ep).....29.49
4 6212 CRYSTAL TURTLE (md ro).....29.31
5 1114 Has A Squeak (ep ro).....29.33
6 3344 Distant Tanya (wd ep).....29.34
Star betting: 11-4 Crystal Turtle, 7-2 Has A Squeak, Distant Tanya, 9-2 Worsley Warrior, Tommys Image, 5 Move It Molly.

### 11.18 (D4) 280m

- 1 4543 Sandwood Hunter (r) ro.....16.65
2 2224 DARVER NINETY SIX (r) ro.....16.59
3 6465 Lassiesfromclash (wd ro).....00.00
4 6443 Darver Dolly (wd ep).....16.70
5 4344 Deedar Juju (r) ro.....16.60
6 6512 Coologue Opal (wd ep).....16.71
Star betting: 5-2 Darver Ninety Six, 3 Deedar Juju, 7-2 Sandwood Hunter, Coologue Opal, 9-2 Darver Dolly, 8 Lassiesfromclash.

### 11.34 (A4) 500m

- 1 6456 The Corinthian (sa r).....29.58
2 5252 DOONEEN ALFIE (md ro).....29.43
3 2225 MARCIANUS PUNCH (md ro).....29.35
4 1453 Never Be Blue (wd ep).....29.58
5 2111 Swift Saga (md ro).....29.57
6 5453 Crystal Amber (wd ro).....29.50
Star betting: 11-4 Marcianus Punch, 4 Dooneen Alfie, The Corinthian, Crystal Amber, 9-2 Swift Saga, Never Be Blue.

### 11.52 (H'cap) 500m

- 1 5513 Killbobbin Keva (r) (fw h).....29.44
2 3445 Adams Spottydog (9m) (ep).....29.41
3 1625 Slippy Shane (9m) (fw h).....29.35
4 4443 Galsgone (6m) (md h).....29.36
5 2112 SLIPPY SHANNON (NAP) (5m) (fw h).....29.26
6 3313 Abigail's Padjoo (5r) (fw h).....29.49
Star betting: 5-2 Slippy Shannon, 3 Abigail's Padjoo, 7-2 Killbobbin Keva, 4 Slippy Shane, 9-2 Galsgone, 4 Adams Spottydog.

### 12.09 (D3) 280m

- 1 6452 Fleadh Thiam (sa r).....16.37
2 Lady Bella (r) ro.....00.00
3 3125 PARADISE JORDAN (md ro).....16.40
4 4413 Glaise Domo (md ro).....16.43
5 1566 Apupfiroisinn (wd ro).....00.00
6 2511 Ritasueandbobtoo (wd ep).....16.48
Star betting: 9-4 Fleadh Thiam, Paradise Jordan, 5-2 Ritasueandbobtoo, 5 Glaise Domo, 8 Apupfiroisinn, Lady Bella.

### 12.26 (A4) 500m

- 1 6245 Laredo Chuka (r) ro.....29.53
2 5425 Shockwave Taboo (r) ro.....29.59
3 4123 Make It Easy (md ep).....29.41
4 4112 CHOCTAW WILLOW (nb) (md ro).....29.56
5 5243 Strong King (sa r).....29.56
6 4623 Buttons (md ep).....29.63
Star betting: 11-4 Make It Easy, 10-3 Choctaw Willow, 7-2 Strong King, 9-2 Laredo Chuka, Buttons, 11-2 Shockwave Taboo.

### 12.42 (D4) 280m

- 1 1553 Thomtree Badger (r) ro.....16.59
2 6423 KILARA JAG (md ro).....16.45
3 3523 Ringsend Adele (md ro).....16.69
4 6534 Blue Weekend (wd ep).....16.84
5 1365 Baby Maggie (wd ep).....16.50
6 3435 Marny Dreaming (wd ro).....16.67
Star betting: 9-4 Kilara Jag, 3 Baby Maggie, 4 Ringsend Adele, Thomtree Badger, 5 Marny Dreaming, 6 Blue Weekend.

### 12.59 (A6) 500m

- 1 3434 Kishlawn Cian (sa r).....30.05
2 5666 Crackaway Magic (r) ep).....30.22
3 3552 Kilgaran Belle (qa r).....29.83
4 6326 Swift Agenda (wd ep).....29.87
5 1555 Footfield Anna (wd ep).....30.01
6 3323 MUCHO MACHO ENDA (md ro).....29.73
Star betting: 11-4 Mucho Macho Enda, 3 Kilgaran Belle, 7-2 Swift Agenda, 9-2 Crackaway Magic, Kishlawn Cian, 6 Footfield Anna.

### 1.17 (D2) 280m

- 1 3131 LIGHTFOOT SHINE (md ro).....16.20
2 1213 Lady Barbie (md ro).....16.22
3 6513 Magna Phoenix (md ro).....16.32
4 4563 Knock Zia (sa md).....16.01
5.....
6 5682 Minglers Courage (wd ro).....16.34
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### 1.33 (A5) 500m

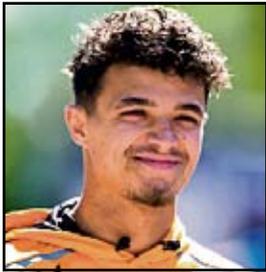
- 1 4545 Ballygur Kate (md ro).....29.76
2 133 KILARA BUNDEE (r) ep).....29.54
3 4155 Rosegarland Zena (r) ro.....29.90
4 3212 SPORTSMANS ZARA (md ro).....29.57
5 4514 Rockfield Jack (ep md).....29.53
6 442 Team News (wd ep).....29.66
Star betting: 9-4 Kilara Bunde, 3 She Goes Wash, 10-3 Whitewood Luke, 9-2 Stan Free, 5 Ballygur Kate, 6 Rosegarland Zena.

### 1.51 (A4) 500m

- 1 3144 Bit View Kitty (r) ep).....29.54
2 Droopys Foremost (md ro).....00.00
3 3124 SPORTSMANS ZARA (md ro).....29.57
4 3514 Darver Mineola (wd ro).....29.59
5 4415 Rockfield Jack (ep md).....29.53
6 442 Team News (wd ep).....29.66
Star betting: 9-4 Team News, 7-2 Sportsmans Zara, Rockfield Jack, Bit View Kitty, 4 Darver Mineola, 8 Droopys Foremost.

### 2.07 (A6) 500m

- 1 5345 Birdwell Rover (r) ro.....29.85
2 3131 BALLYBOSS CONNIE (md ep).....30.14
3 6216 Ballymac Mumba (wd ro).....29.91
4 4412 Rolo Lotto (md ro).....30.08
5 5334 Tullymurry Nina (wd ep).....30.01
6 2351 Adams Daisy (wd ep).....29.96
Star betting: 3 Birdwell Rover, Ballymac Mumba, 7-2 Ballyboss Connie, 4 Adams Daisy, 5 Rolo Lotto, 11-2 Tullymurry Nina.



FIGHTING TALK: Norris

## Lando's pushing to Max

by DANIEL MOXON

LANDO NORRIS has warned Max Verstappen he is ready to take their battle to the limit when they meet on the track at Silverstone.

Norris and Verstappen clashed at last weekend's Austrian Grand Prix when the McLaren man was battling his Red Bull rival for the lead.

The coming together saw both drivers pick up punctures, with Norris forced to retire and Verstappen coming home in fifth place after picking up a 10-second penalty for causing the collision.

But Norris heads into his home race on Sunday full of belief he can beat Verstappen.

"I'm very excited for the British Grand Prix," Norris told the Chris Moyles Show on Radio X.

"I reviewed everything, we've gone over stuff, and let's say I won't really change what I did. I was fighting, and that's what we want - we want to fight.

"We're fighting, we both want to win and we're going to push it to the limits - some slightly more than others."

Norris will be one of three Brits heading into the race full of belief that they can deliver the result the home crowd craves.

George Russell took the chequered flag in Austria, while Mercedes chief Toto Wolff is adamant that Lewis Hamilton can win again before he leaves for Ferrari.

Wolff said of his team's chances: "We will have to be at our best to challenge for the podium once again. That is our aim, though."

# TOUR DE FRANCE

# CAVIT!

## Sir Mark breaks Le Tour win record

by MIKE WALTERS

**SIR MARK CAVENDISH rolled away the stone and made it look easier than pushing a hoop downhill.**

At 39, the Manx Missile did not just sprint into Tour de France history and join Britain's all-time greats with his record 35th stage win.

Cavendish blew a raspberry at Old Father Time himself with a sporting feat for the ages which beggars belief.

He will always cherish the 165th win of his career, which took him past Belgian legend Eddy Merckx as the man with more wins than any other in 121 years of Le Tour.

A knighthood last month almost seems insufficient because Cav is Britain's undisputed king of the road.

Tour race director Christian Prudhomme's tribute was pitch-perfect. He said: "Everyone has a smile today - even Eddy Merckx. Everybody thought it was too late but him. It is a wonderful story. He is the Yellow Jersey of the sprinters."

**Stanley Matthews scored for England aged 41, Geoffrey Boycott compiled his final Test century at 40 and Steve Redgrave won Olympic gold, for the fifth Games in a row, as a 38-year-old.**

But Cavendish may have topped them all because his chance to join the immortals appeared to have gone.

Just four days earlier, he was throwing up in punishing 95-degree heat on the lung-

## Historical

**From Back Page cycling, right? I just want to see my family and my team-mates, those people who have been unwavering in their support for the last part of my career. I want to spend my time with them.**

"I think I have been home less than three weeks this year. When you have five children and your wife is bringing them up, they make sure they live a normal life while dad is away. They have supported me the whole time.

"For them to share this moment, any father would be able to testify how special that is."

Cav's weeping wife Peta said: "I cannot believe it. But I am so pleased, I am so proud of him."

bursting 127-mile Grand Depart from Florence to Rimini.

And as the sprint trains lined up for the final dash after the 110-mile trek from Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne to Saint-Vulbas, all the big guns were there - including Jasper Philipsen, the rival who had denied him on the line in Bordeaux last year.

When Cavendish crashed out of the race with a broken collarbone 24 hours later, his appointment with destiny seemed to have disappeared.

But his Astana-Qazaqstan

team offered him a one-year extension. Down the years, he had overcome depression, the debilitating Epstein-Barr virus, having bottled urine thrown at him, multiple crashes and a terrifying armed robbery at his Essex home in 2021.

His encore was pure gold. "Maybe your life changes if you cross that line first, maybe it doesn't if you don't - that is what makes it so beautiful," said Cavendish after dissolving into tears.

He is so respected his rivals

are almost reluctant to chase down his record.

**Current race leader Tadej Pogacar, who has 12 stage wins to his name so far, said: "Incredible. He came to me and said, 'Don't break the record, but I don't think I can.'"**

And Geraint Thomas, his former Team Sky sidekick and 2018 Tour de France champion, said: "I'm super-happy for him. I told him, 'Mate, if you win this stage, just drop your bike and walk away, but he was like, 'I'll want to win more.'"



**TOUR DE FORCE:** Cav takes the stage and (inset) is joined by his family

# STAR SHORTS

## Rose is bloomin'

by GOLF

JUSTIN ROSE believes he is a contender to win The Open at Royal Troon after a classy display in final qualifying.

The 2013 US Open champion finished in a tie for first at Burnham and Berrow in Somerset at eight-under-par.

"I want to be at The Open, I still believe I can win The Open so it was an important day to get through for me," he said.

## Lauren's high five

by CRICKET

LAUREN BELL claimed a maiden five-wicket haul as England wrapped up a 3-0 series win over New Zealand.

Bell took 5-37 to restrict New Zealand to 211-8 from 42 overs.

England reached their target with five wickets and 20 balls to spare.

Bell said: "I have made changes to the mental side of my game, the skill's been there."

## ANSWERS

**YESTERDAY'S SPORTWORD**  
Across: 1. Tab Ramos; 6. David; 7. Raith; 9. Bond; 10. Wilkie; 12. Collin; 14. Tate; 17. Yengi; 18. Innes; 19. Morikawa.  
Down: 2. Alvin; 3. Rudi; 4. Martin; 5. Spink; 6. Debuchy; 8. Hoeness; 11. Liger; 13. Lynam; 15. Agnew; 16. Pink.

**FIVE FOR FUN ANSWERS**  
1. Andy Murray and Stan Wawrinka, 2. Niall Ewalds and Tom Opacic, 3. Haris Rauf, 4. Italy, 5. Rob White

## County cracker

by JOSHUA PECK

AN astonishing County Championship clash finished in a tie yesterday as Glamorgan fell one short of a world-record run chase against Gloucestershire at Cheltenham.

Having been set a mammoth target of 593, Glamorgan got to within touching distance in the final couple of overs.

Mason Crane levelled the scores with one ball to go, but in a final dramatic twist, their last wicket fell when Jamie McIlroy was out to the final ball from Ajeet Singh Dale.

Surrey extended their lead at the top of Division One with a 145-run victory over rivals Essex as Tom Lawes took 4-26.

Liam Dawson smashed a sensational 28-ball 56 as Hampshire claimed a six-wicket win over Kent.

And Joe Clarke's fourth century of the season frustrated Jimmy Anderson and Lancashire as Nottinghamshire hung on for a draw at Southport.

# I'M READY TO GET BLACKPOOL ROCKING

**KISS me quick - I'm going to Blackpool!**

I can't describe the ups and downs of the qualification race to the World Matchplay, but I somehow made it.

We ended up with two days of Players Championships left to decide the final places, and it was clear that a couple of off days and you'd be watching on TV, not competing.

I figured I needed to win seven or eight matches over the two days.

As it transpired six was just enough - but it came down to



the wire. I should have sealed it on the first day by winning the event but ran out of steam and went out in the quarter-finals.

The good news was that left me in the provisional places and gave me the consolation that it was in my hands yesterday.

I won my first two, and at the same time Andrew Gilding

and Kevin Doets had fallen by the wayside, so winning my last-16 game would have seen me comfortable.

Obviously, it was me so that didn't quite happen!

That left me waiting on results, which is never a good place to be.

When Luke Humphries missed match darts and Cameron Menzies, who would have overtaken me if he won the event, went on to beat him, I started to think the darting gods were against me.

I've always liked

Jonny Clayton and I like him a bit more now after he put me out of my misery.

Jonny went on to win the whole thing.

The great thing is that I am playing really well, and being in a tournament means I have a chance to win.

I have been in the Matchplay 18 times and on one third of those occasions I have reached the final - not a bad return and one that I

hope keeps going this time around. See you in Blackpool!



**DELIGHT:** Your Daily Star columnist

# Job holds no fear for Scott

SCOTT ROBERTSON has faced down a shark – so had no worries about taking the New Zealand head coach job.

The position of All Blacks boss is one of the most scrutinised in sport and in this rugby-mad country he is under pressure to deliver.

Robertson, 49, has known he would get the gig since March last year and has been in position officially since November but he will coach his first Test match on Saturday against England in Dunedin.

He had the legendary two-time World Cup-winning captain Richie McCaw address the squad in Wellington last week to show them what being a winner was all about.

But with seven Super Rugby titles as Crusaders coach, Robertson (right) was ready for the big time.

And as a man who has stared at a potentially man-eating

■ from ADAM HATHAWAY in Dunedin

shark, while riding the waves in South Africa around 25 years ago, he has no problem with the heat he is under.

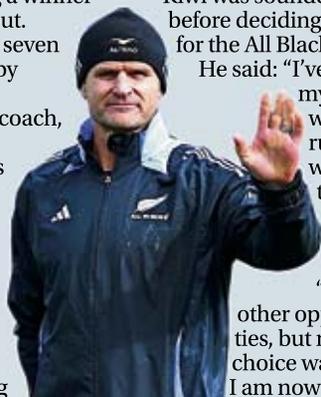
“We were a couple of hours south of Durban. I was the last one out, then I saw the tiger shark. It was massive,” said Robertson

“I just went straight up on my board and straight in, with my feet up.”

The RFU were interested in bringing in Robertson, who won 23 caps as a player, to coach England when Eddie Jones was due to leave after the 2023 World Cup.

Jones got sacked a year before the tournament in France but the Kiwi was sounded out before deciding to wait for the All Blacks job.

He said: “I’ve done my time with club rugby. It was time to test myself at Test level. “I had other opportunities, but my first choice was where I am now.”



# Brown slams French farce

WORLD CUP finalist Kevin Brown slammed England’s Test against France, comparing it to an academy fixture and claiming players were short-changed.

There has been a huge backlash to the state of international rugby league after Saturday’s underwhelming match in Toulouse.

In their only fixture before the autumn series with Samoa, England ran out 40-8 winners in front of a tiny crowd, with little build-up, an under-strength side and lots of unanswered questions.

Ex-Wigan, Warrington and England stand-off Brown, 39, said: “It left me really worried.

“It was like an academy game – there was no one there, no atmosphere and it wasn’t on TV. It was streamed but that started buffering. It looked like a curtain-raiser.

“I was really disappointed. I really felt for

■ by DAVE CRAVEN

the players. I’ve played France and had some great experiences but that looked really poor.

“I just felt really sorry for the lads who’ve never had an international experience before.

“International rugby league should be a step up. But that was a step down from Super League.”

Brown (inset) played in front of a sell-out 30,000 crowd in Auckland when England beat Tonga in an epic 2017 World Cup semi-final.

Many people fear international rugby league will never reach those levels again.

The former Huddersfield captain, reckons England must fork out to seek better mid-season opposition. He added:

“There’s no real point in players doing what they just did against France. “Players have to be tested.”



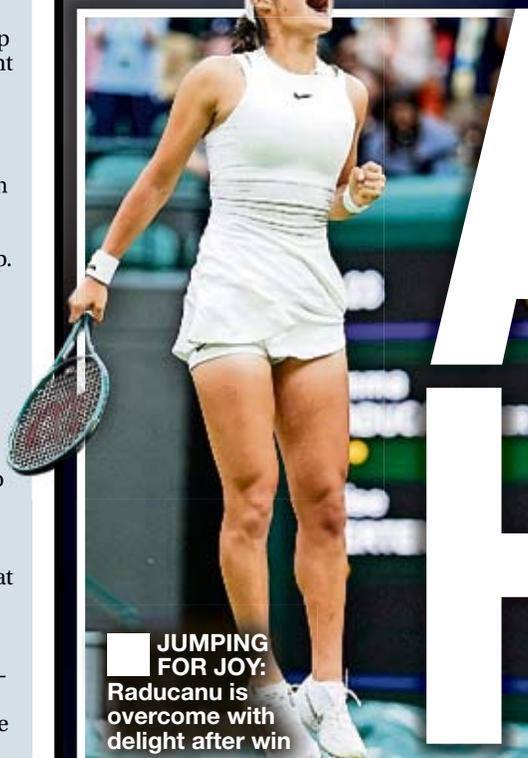
# WIMBLEDON: DAY 3

# EMMA'S

# NO.1

# HIT

Court rises and salutes brilliant Raducanu win



■ JUMPING FOR JOY: Raducanu is overcome with delight after win

NOT since Emma Raducanu won the US Open in 2021 has she been victorious two games in a row at a Grand Slam.

The British star disagreed it was her best performance since she lifted that title three years ago but the confidence and swagger will give a glimmer of hope to those craving home glory at SW19 this summer.

Raducanu, 21, breezed past Belgium’s Elise Mertens and into the third round for just the second time with a 6-1 6-2 win.

She didn’t even remember until reminded afterwards that this was the first time she was back on Court 1 since her fourth-round retirement against Ajla Tomljanovic due to breathing difficulties in 2021.

The match she most remembers from that year is her third-round encounter with Sorana Cirstea on the same court.

“When I think of Court One, I just think of that amazing win against Sorana,” said Raducanu. “That was my first kind of coming out into tennis society.

“I just have such amazing memories from

■ by CHRIS McKENNA

that court. I think that match in particular, it was the first time playing on a court that size.

“Today, I think I played very well but I don’t think it was my best match since the US Open,” she said.

“I think I’ve played a few matches that I was personally probably happier with.

“But of course, today I’m very pleased with, again, how I handled situations.

“I mean, it’s always a lot of fun but it’s never easy stepping out onto a massive court. It’s not straightforward. I think the way I handled that, the first game going 0-30, then re-grouping, finding a good rhythm, I’m very pleased with that.”

The British star was in total control here from the off. A superb shot across court with a forehand to make it 4-0 was arguably the highlight of some fine tennis on her way to the first set against the world No.33.

Raducanu broke Mertens in the third game of the second set, and then again to move 4-1 up.

The first of two match points were soon

taken when Mertens hit beyond the baseline and the fans were brought to their feet to applaud the impressive victory.

Raducanu has agreed to team up with Andy Murray for the mixed doubles and there will be a dream scenario that she helps the Scot bow out of Wimbledon with a title next week.

But she may also have her own focus in the singles draw if this form continues. Some big names are out like Aryna Sabalenka and the draw is opening up for her.

World No.9 Maria Sakkari will be her third-round opponent. She knows her well having beaten her in the last four on her way to US Open glory three years ago.

“I think you just have to take every moment as it comes because it’s very easy to get caught up in, yeah, parallels, things that have happened in the past,” she said.

“But no situation is the same.”

# JAMIE'S DOUBLES DELIGHT



■ FAMILY TIES: Jamie and Andy Murray practise for their doubles match

JAMIE MURRAY has hailed the “refuse-to-lose attitude” of his brother Andy before the Scottish siblings play their first – and maybe last – men’s doubles match together at Wimbledon.

And the doubles specialist hopes the “fun experience” will be another memory on his long journey on Centre Court.

The brothers will face Australian pair John Peers and Rinky Hijikata. It should be a night to remember.

“It’s something we wanted to do at some point,” said

■ by NEIL McLEMAN

Jamie Murray, the former doubles world No.1.

“Hopefully it’s a fun experience for us both. And I guess appreciate what we have been able to do on the court for the last 15 years or so.

“It is unique to do high-level sport with your brother.

“For me, it’s a cool thing to be able to do with him, regardless of how it goes.

“His determination probably more than anything overrides most things that people think of

him. Like his refuse-to-lose attitude. That is what makes me most proud of him.”

Andy pulled out of the singles competition on Tuesday after undergoing spinal surgery to remove a cyst on June 23.

But he spent another two hours on the practice courts yesterday getting ready for doubles.

“Obviously my leg will keep getting better,” he said. “Fitness wise I am fine. My tennis is OK. I would just like to be moving a little better.”



**FIST PUMP:**  
Emma Raducanu feeds off the energy of the home crowd



**KART WORK:** Sonay hits out

# Sonay is dreaming

■ by CHRIS McKENNA

**SONAY KARTAL** will live out a childhood dream if she books a Centre Court date with Coco Gauff.

The 22-year-old from Brighton beat Frenchwoman Clara Burel in three sets 6-3 5-7 6-3 to set up a showdown with American favourite Gauff tomorrow.

She became just the second British woman to reach the third round as a qualifier in the Open era and the first since Karen Cross in 1997.

But now she will step up in class to take on US Open champion Gauff and will be waiting nervously to see if she is on Centre Court, where she once watched matches as a small child.

Kartal said: "Those are the moments you dream of as a little kid.

"If it is Centre Court, yeah, I'll be super excited, super proud to be on that court. It's a really special thing.

"I've got a picture in my room, I have an older brother, with my mum and my dad, we were on Centre Court. We got lucky, we had really good tickets."

## TOTALLY RAD

**From Back Page**  
Murray's camp approaching her coaching team on Tuesday night before the Scot texted the player.

Raducanu said: "My doubles record is not the longest but I couldn't say no. It's a once in a lifetime opportunity.

"Andy's a hero to us all, so for me it's a real gift and a real honour that he asked me.

"I'm just super excited and hopefully I can learn a thing or two about coming to the net or something."

Murray, who played mixed doubles with Serena Williams here in 2019, said: "I am pumped. To get the opportunity to play with her will be brilliant."

# CARLOS: I'M GOING FOR TIAFOE

**CARLOS ALCARAZ** lined up a blockbuster clash with Frances Tiafoe, after the defending Wimbledon champion beat Aussie Aleksandar Vukic on Court No.1

It set up a repeat of his US Open semi-final thriller against Tiafoe in 2022 and he warned: "I'm going for him!"

The American has slipped down the rankings since that five-set marathon at Flushing Meadows and admitted he has been "losing to clowns" during a roller coaster 2024.

But Tiafoe, who has only won back-to-back matches at

■ by MIKE WALTERS  
two of 15 tournaments this season, beat Croatia's Bora Coric in straight sets and will now look to escape from Alcaraz at the second attempt.

The No.3 seed edged a tight tie-break before powering past Vukic 7-6 6-2 6-2.

Alcaraz said: "Frances is a great player and a great person, always smiling. It's going to be fun to watch. I'll try to bring out my good weapons and I'm going for him!"

Meanwhile, British No.3 Dan Evans hit out at officials for insisting he continued to play

on an 'unsafe' court. He was beaten 6-2 7-5 6-3 yesterday by Chile's Alejandro Tabilo after a weather and light-delayed first-round match.

Evans had to come back to finish after it was called off on Tuesday night due to fading light, but he wanted it pulled earlier as he felt the surface was too wet on Court 12.

He said: "I didn't think the court was playable last night for the large majority of the time we were on court.

"The powers that be in the fancy jackets didn't agree with me and we carried on."

## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

**Men's Singles 1st rnd:** E Ruusuvoori (Fin) bt M McDonald (USA) 7-6 (8-6) 4-6 5-7 7-6 (8-6) 6-3, A Rinderknech (Fra) bt K Nishikori (Jpn) 5-7 6-4 6-7 (2-7) 6-3 6-2, (24) A Tabilo (Chi) bt D Evans (Gbr) 6-2 7-5 6-3, T Machac (Cze) bt D Goffin (Bel) 3-6 3-6 6-4 6-1 7-6 (10-5), R Safiullin (Rus) bt (26) F Cerundolo (Arg) 6-7 (5-7) 3-6 7-5 6-3 6-4, T Kokkinakis (Aus) bt (17) F Auger-Aliassime (Can) 2-6 5-7 7-6 (11-9) 6-4 6-4, L Pouille (Fra) bt L Djere (Ser) 3-6 7-6 (7-4) 3-6 6-3 6-1, Q Halys (Fra) bt C Eubanks (USA) 6-4 6-4 6-2, (21) K Khachanov (Rus) bt A Karatsev (Rus) 6-3 6-7 (4-7) 7-6 (13-11) 2-0 ret.

**Men's Singles 2nd rnd:** M Kecmanovic (Ser) bt (27) T Griekspoor (Ned) 4-6 7-6 (9-7) 1-6 6-2 6-3, J Struff (Ger) bt (32) Z Zhang (Chn) 5-7 6-3 7-6 (7-1) 7-6 (10-8), (5) D Medvedev (Rus) bt A Muller (Fra) 6-7 (3-7) 7-6 (7-4) 6-4 7-5, (3) C Alcaraz (Spa) bt A Vukic (Aus) 7-6 (7-5) 6-2 6-2, (29) F Tiafoe (USA) bt B Coric (Cro) 7-6 (7-5) 6-1 6-3, B Nakashima (USA) bt J Thompson (Aus) 6-3 6-2 6-2, (16) U Humbert (Fra) bt B Van de Zandschulp (Ned) 7-6 (11-9) 6-1 6-3, (12) T Paul (USA) bt O Virtanen (Fin) 4-6 6-3 5-7 7-5 6-4, (23) A Bublik (Kaz) bt A Cazaux (Fra) 6-4 7-6 (7-1) 6-4, R Bautista Agut (Spa) bt L Sonego (Ita) 6-3 3-6 6-3 6-4, F Fognini (Ita) bt (8) C Ruud (Nor) 6-4 7-5 6-7 (1-7) 6-3.

**Women's Singles 1st rnd:** (11) D Collins (USA) bt C Tauson (Den) 6-3 7-6 (7-4), M Camila Osorio Serrano (Col) bt L Davis (USA) 6-3 6-1, (20) B Haddad Maia (Bra) bt M Frech (Pol) 7-5 6-3, (31) B Krejckikova (Cze) bt V Kudermetova (Rus) 7-6 (7-4) 6-7 (1-7) 7-5, K Volynets (USA) bt M Lourdes Carle (Arg) 6-2 7-5, J Niemeier (Ger) bt V Golubic (Svi) 6-2 6-1, (21) E Svitolina (Ukr) bt M Linette (Pol) 7-5 6-7 (9-11) 6-3.

**Women's Singles 2nd rnd:** L Sun (Nzl) bt Y Starodubtseva (Ukr) 4-6 6-3 6-2, L Zhu (Chn) bt (25) A Pavlyuchenkova (Rus) 6-4 6-3, E Raducanu (Gbr) bt E Mertens (Bel) 6-1 6-2, (9) M Sakkari (Gre) bt A Rus (Ned) 7-5 6-3, (28) D Yastremska (Ukr) bt V Gracheva (Fra) 3-6 6-4 7-6 (10-5), D Vekic (Cro) bt (3) E Andreeva (Rus) 6-2 6-3, (7) J Paolini (Ita) bt G Minnen (Bel) 7-6 (7-5) 6-2, B Andreescu (Can) bt (26) L Noskova (Cze) 6-3 7-6 (7-5), D Shnaider (Rus) bt S Stephens (USA) 6-1 6-1, (19) E Navarro (USA) bt N Osaka (Jpn) 6-4 6-1, S Kartal (Gbr) bt C Burel (Fra) 6-3 5-7 6-3, (2) C Gauff (USA) bt A Todoni (Rom) 6-2 6-1.

**Men's Doubles 1st rnd:** (12) N Lammons (USA) & J Withrow (USA) bt M Giron (USA) & A Michelsen (USA) 6-3 6-2, (8) K Krawietz (Ger) & T Puetz (Ger) bt L Darder (Ita) & F Romoli (Bra) 6-4 6-2, H Heliouvaara (Fin) & H Patten (Gbr) bt (5) S Bolelli (Ita) & A Vavassori (Ita) 6-3 6-4, P Martinez (Spa) & J Munar (Spa) bt D Lajovic (Ser) & S Nagal (Ind) 6-2 6-2, R Matos (Bra) & M Melo (Bra) bt J Fearnley (Gbr) & J Pinnington Jones (Gbr) 6-4 7-6 (7-5), N Barrientos (Col) & F Cabral (Por) bt (10) I Dodig (Cro) & A Krajicek (USA) 7-6 (7-4) 7-6 (8-6), C Frantzen (Ger) & H Jebens (Ger) bt P Kotov (Rus) & C Rodriguez (Col) 7-6 (7-3) 7-6 (7-3), (2) R Bopanna (Ind) & M Ebdn (Aus) bt S Arends (Ned) & R Haase (Ned) 7-5 6-4.

**Women's Doubles 1st rnd:** M Kato (Jpn) & S Zhang (Chn) bt A Moratelli (Ita) & N Podoroska (Arg) 6-2 7-6 (7-2), L Fernandez (Can) & E Shibahara (Jpn) bt H Guo (Chn) & X Jiang (Chn) 2-6 7-6 (7-4) 6-3, (16) U Eikeri (Nor) & I Neel (Est) bt C Rosatello (Ita) & L Samsonova (Cze) 6-3 6-7 (2-7) 6-3, C Garcia (Fra) & K Mladenovic (Fra) bt X Yu Wang (Chn) & S Zheng (Chn) 6-2 6-4, (10) M Bouzkova (Cze) & S Sorribes Tormo (Spa) bt E Avanesyan (Rus) & O Kalashnikova (Geo) 6-3 6-7 (1-7) 6-2, (2) G Dabrowski (Can) & E Routliffe (Nzl) bt M Andreeva (Rus) & A Potapova (Rus) 6-2 7-5.

## ORDER OF PLAY

All courts 11.30am start except Centre (1.30pm) and No1 (1pm).

**Centre Court:** J Fearnley (GB) v (2) N Djokovic (Ser), (1) I Swiatek (Pol) v P Martic (Cro), R Hijikata (Aus) & J Peers (Aus) v A Murray (GB) & J Murray (GB).

**Court 1:** (32) K Boulter (GB) v H Dart (GB), (28) J Draper (GB) v C Norrie (GB), M Giron (USA) v (4) A Zverev (Ger).

**Court 2:** (7) H Hurkacz (Pol) v A Fils (Fra), (10) O Jabeur (Tun) v R Montgomery (USA), (4) E Rybakina (Kaz) v L Siegemund (Ger).

**Court 3:** J Munar (Spa) v (9) A De Minaur (Aus), X Wang (Chn) v (5) J Pegula (USA), (11) D Collins (USA) v D Galfi (Hun), E Ruusuvoori (Fin) v (11) S Tsitsipas (Gre).

**Court 4:** C Bucsa (Spa) v J Bouzas Maneiro (Spa), L Darder (Ita) v (25) L Musetti (Ita), D Shnaider (Rus) & E Vesnina (Rus) v Y Putintseva (Kaz) & C Tauson (Den), H Dart (GB) & M Lumsden (GB) v (5) S Errani (Ita) & M Paoletti (Ita).

**Court 5:** M Frech (Pol) & K Kawa (Pol) v A Danilina (Kaz) & Y Xu (Chn), M Demoliner (Bra) & D Medvedev (Rus) v G Escobar (Ecu) & A Nedovyesov (Kaz), E Navarro (USA) & D Parry (Fra) v L Bronzetti (Ita) & V Gracheva (Fra), A Erlar (Aut) & L Miedler (Aut) v (9) N Skupski (GB) & M Venus (Nzl), A Blinkova (Rus) & M Sherif (Egy) v E Hozumi (Jpn) & M Uchijima (Jpn).

**Court 6:** V Cornea (Rom) & F Marozsan (Hun) v A Mies (Ger) & J Smith (Aus), N Balaji (Ind) & L Johnson (GB) v (4) M Arevalo (Esa) & M Pavic (Cro), (13) G Olmos (Mex) & A Panova (Rus) v M Kostyuk (Ukr) & E Ruse (Rom), I Gamarra Martins (Bra) & B Haddad Maia (Bra) v I Khromacheva (Rus) & K Rakhimova (Rus), (6) S Gonzalez (Mex) & E Roger-Vasselin (Fra) v D Evans (GB) & H Searle (GB).

**Court 7:** T Mihalikova (Svk) & O Nicholls (GB) v (6) D Schuurs (Ned) & L Stefani (Bra), (7) C Dolehide (USA) & D Krawczyk (USA) v S Aoyama (Jpn) & A Krunic (Ser), X Wang (Chn) & L Zhu (Chn) v E Appleton (GB) & Y Miyazaki (GB), C Bucsa (Spa) & N Hibino (Jpn) v T Maria (Ger) & A Rus (Ned), H Baptiste (USA) & A Parks (USA) v M Ninomiya (Jpn) & F Wu (Tpe).

**Court 8:** (31) B Krejckikova (Cze) v K Volynets (USA), T Machac (Cze) v R Safiullin (Rus), T Kokkinakis (Aus) v L Pouille (Fra), G Minnen (Bel) & H Watson (GB) v (14) S Kenin (USA) & B Mattek-Sands (USA).

**Court 9:** S Grey (GB) & T Moore (GB) v (3) N Melichar-Martinez (USA) & E Perez (Aus), A Bublik (Kaz) & A Shevchenko (Kaz) v Y Bhambrri (Ind) & A Olivetti (Fra), F Martin (Fra) & M Middelkoop (Ned) v T Griekspoor (Ned) & B Stevens (Ned), (1) M Granollers (Spa) & H Zeballos (Arg) v A Fils (Fra) & U Humbert (Fra), M Linette (Pol) & P Stearns (USA) v A Bogdan (Rom) & J Cristian (Rom).

**Court 10:** (15) A Muhammad (USA) & A Sutjiadi (Ina) v I Begu (Rom) & M Trevisan (Ita), J Clarke (GB) & M Willis (GB) v (15) M Purcell (Aus) & J Thompson (Aus), (4) K Siniakova (Cze) & T Townsend (USA) v R Masarova (Spa) & L Noskova (Cze), N Bains (GB) & A Rajeci (GB) v T Babos (Hun) & N Kichenok (Ukr), M Kolodziejova (Cze) & A Siskova (Cze) v L Davis (USA) & K Zimmermann (Bel).

**Court 11:** (3) R Ram (USA) & J Salisbury (GB) v W Blumberg (USA) & C Ruud (Nor), (30) T Etcheverry (Arg) v A Popyrin (Aus), (16) S Dombia (Fra) & F Reboul (Fra) v O Crawford (GB) & K Edmond (GB), K Piter (Pol) & V Tomova (Bul) v C Burel (Fra) & M Osorio Serrano (Col), C Eubanks (USA) & E King (USA) v L Broady (GB) & B Harris (GB).

**Court 12:** Y Wang (Chn) v (12) M Keys (USA), (10) G Dimitrov (Bul) v J Shang (Chn), (13) T Fritz (USA) v A Rinderknech (Fra), C Wozniacki (Den) v (30) L Fernandez (Can).

**Court 14:** (18) M Kostyuk (Ukr) v D Saville (Aus), F Cobolli (Ita) v (24) A Tabilo (Chi), G Mpetshi Perricard (Fra) v Y Nishioka (Jpn), (1) S Hsieh (Tpe) & E Mertens (Bel) v A Barnett (GB) & F Christie (GB).

**Court 15:** Y Putintseva (Kaz) v (27) K Siniakova (Cze), M Osorio Serrano (Col) v (20) B Haddad Maia (Bra), (17) A Kalinskaya (Rus) v M Bouzkova (Cze), Q Halys (Fra) v (21) K Khachanov (Rus), T Machac (Cze) & Z Zhang (Chn) v A Behar (Uru) & A Pavlasek (Cze).

**Court 16:** F Comesana (Arg) v A Walton (Aus), D Snigur (Ukr) v (13) J Ostapenko (Lat), (23) C Garcia (Fra) v B Pera (USA), (9) L Kichenok (Ukr) & J Ostapenko (Lat) v D Saville (Aus) & Y Yuan (Chn), F Coria (Arg) & M Navone (Arg) v (7) W Koolhof (Ned) & N Mektic (Cro).

**Court 17:** P Badosa Gibert (Spa) v B Fruhvirtova (Cze), D Shapovalov (Can) v D Altmaier (Ger), J Niemeier (Ger) v (21) E Svitolina (Ukr), (11) C Gauff (USA) & J Pegula (USA) v (11) A Kalinina (Ukr) & D Yastremska (Ukr).

**Court 18:** (14) D Kasatkina (Rus) v Y Miyazaki (GB), L Harris (SA) v (14) B Shelton (USA), (15) H Rune (Den) v T Seyboth Wild (Bra), E Avanesyan (Rus) v (15) L Samsonova (Rus).



**FIRED UP:** Carlos salutes his win

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**THIRD ONE DAY INTERNATIONAL—England Women v New Zealand Women** (Bristol): New Zealand 211-8 (42.0 overs; A C Kerr 57; L K Bell 5-37). England 212-5 (38.4 overs; N R Sciver-Brunt 76no, A E Jones 50). England beat New Zealand by 5 wickets.

**COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP - DIVISION ONE—Hampshire v Kent** (The Rose Bowl): Hampshire 505-8dec. (130.0 overs; J M Vince 211, B C Brown 110; J D M Evison 4-83) and 180-4 (22.1 overs; L A Dawson 56no). Kent 343 (99.3 overs; J A Leaning 118, F I N Khushi 53; K H D Barker 4-85) and 340 (118.2 overs; B G Compton 92, H Z Finch 84; K J Abbott 5-89). Hampshire (23pts) beat Kent (4pts) by 6 wickets.

**Lancashire v Nottinghamshire** (Southport): Lancashire 353-9dec. (97.0 overs; K K Jennings 187no; L W James 4-61). Nottinghamshire 126 (44.4 overs; B T Slater 64no; J M Anderson 7-35) and 270-4dec. (102.0 overs; J M Clarke 115no). Lancashire (14pts) drew with Nottinghamshire (11pts).

**Somerset v Warwickshire** (Taunton): Warwickshire 412 (109.1 overs; M G K Burgess 147, E Barnard 92, W M H Rhodes 63; M Pretorius 5-104) and 281-8dec. (83.2 overs; J Bethell 66, R M Yates 57, A L Davies 50; C Overton 4-57). Somerset 284 (83.2 overs; T Banton 78, T B Abell 61; O J Hannon-Dalby 6-56) and 413-5 (91.4 overs; T B Abell 152no, T Banton 81, J E K Rew 57no). Somerset (20pts) beat Warwickshire (7pts) by 5 wickets.

**Surrey v Essex** (The Oval): Surrey 262 (83.2 overs; J L Smith 100) and 278 (75.0 overs; R S Patel 107, J L Smith 70). Essex 180 (51.3 overs; P I Walter 64) and 215 (61.1 overs; D Elgar 60, P I Walter 56; T Lawes 4-26). Surrey (20pts) beat Essex (3pts) by 145 runs.

**DIVISION TWO—Gloucestershire v Glamorgan** (Cheltenham): Gloucestershire 179 (44.4 overs; T van der Gugten 5-59) and 610-5dec. (116.0 overs; J R Bracey 204no, C T Bancroft 184, M A H Hammond 121, B J Webster 65no). Glamorgan 197 (61.1 overs; B J Webster 5-17) and 592 (152.0 overs; S A Northeast 187, M Labuschagne 119). Gloucestershire (11pts) tied with Glamorgan (11pts).

**CYCLING**

**TOUR DE FRANCE, Stage 5** (Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne - Saint-Vulba, 177km): 1 M Cavendish (Gbr) Astana Qazaqstan Team 4h 08m 46s, 2 J Philipsen (Bel) Alpecin-Deceuninck, 3 A Kristoff (Nor) Uno-X Mobility. **General Classification:** 1 T Pogacar (Slo) UAE Team Emirates 23h 15m 24s, 2 R Evenepoel (Bel) Soudal Quick-Step at 45s, 3 J Vingegaard (Den) Team Visma | Lease a Bike at 50.

**TODAY'S DIARY**

(7.45pm unless stated)  
**League of Ireland Prem:** Drogheda Utd v Shelbourne, Galway Utd v Bohemians, Shamrock Rovers v Dundalk (8pm), Sligo Rovers v Derry City, Waterford v St Patricks Athletic.

**GOLF**

**Aramco Team Series** (Centurion Club, St Albans).  
**USPGA Tour John Deere Classic** (Illinois, USA).  
**DP World Tour BMW International Open** (Munich, Germany).

# INSIDE ILIMAN

## Ndiaye's Goodison move helped by pal Idrissa

**ILIMAN NDIAYE** revealed Senegal team-mate Idrissa Gana Gueye played a part in luring him to Goodison Park.

by **CHRIS McKENNA**

Everton confirmed the signing of the Marseille forward after completing a £15m move for him.

Ndiaye, 24, has signed a five-year contract with the Blues as boss Sean Dyche and director of football Kevin Thelwell bolster their attacking options.

But Gueye also helped bring Ndiaye to the club.

Ndiaye said: "I am so pleased to be an Everton player.

"The main reasons I wanted to join were how big the club is, its history and the part I can play in helping the team in the forward direction it is going in.

"I'm so excited and can't wait to get going. Kevin (Thelwell) and the manager both spoke to me and made me feel wanted.

*"My Senegal team-mate Idrissa also played a part and spoke highly of the club and a lot of good things."*

Ndiaye scored just three goals last season in France.

But he did enjoy a fruitful spell in the Championship with Sheffield United during the previous campaign to help the Blades to promotion with 14 goals

and assists. He said: "As a player, I like to dribble, show skills and get the fans out of their seats.

"I want to score goals and get assists but I also like to work hard. I love running, chasing the ball, getting the team high up the pitch.

"As a striker, you're the first defender. I love doing that bit.

*"I'm so excited. I want to come in and carry on from the team's progress last season."*

"I feel like I'll be ready to help and I just want to give it my all to get this club higher up the table."

Everton will play their final season at Goodison Park in the upcoming campaign with Ndiaye already looking ahead to the move to Bramley Moore with a target in mind.

He said: "It's funny because someone said to me, 'Imagine you scoring the first goal at the new stadium'.

"It would be a quiz question for so long, 'Who scored the first goal for Everton at the new stadium?'

"At that moment, my daughter, who can't really talk yet, said, 'Dada!' Great answer! That's my target.

"I'll be very proud to be part of the last season at Goodison Park, too.

"There's history here. I'm really happy to now be part of that."



**FRIENDS REUNITED:** Ndiaye with Senegal team-mate Gueye

From **Back Page** desperate to make savings at United in the wake of his £1.3bn deal to purchase a 27.7 per cent stake in the club.

Ratcliffe believes United are overstaffed in several areas and would benefit from being streamlined.

It is hoped the millions saved can be ploughed into improving an under-performing squad and it's understood Ratcliffe has consulted with fellow owners, the Glazers, about his plan and the Americans are in agreement.

United have the biggest staff of any club in the Premier League.

This figure is higher than Liverpool, Manchester City and Arsenal, who all have less than 1000 members of staff.

Ratcliffe told Interpath Advisory to focus on the club's commercial, merchandising and match day departments in particular.

United recorded a record turnover of almost £649m in October, although City surpassed this the next month, despite having fewer staff.

**FOOTIE FLASHES**

● **BAYERN MUNICH** are closing in on a deal with Fulham for Joao Palhinha which will cost them almost £50m.

● **WREXHAM** striker Paul Mullin has had spinal surgery and will miss the start of the season.

● **BARCELONA** are interested in Hull winger Jaden Philogene, who is also wanted by West Ham and Ipswich.

● **SCOTT** Parker is poised to become Burnley boss.

● **LEEDS** have rejected a £5.1m bid from Real Betis for defender Diego Llorente.

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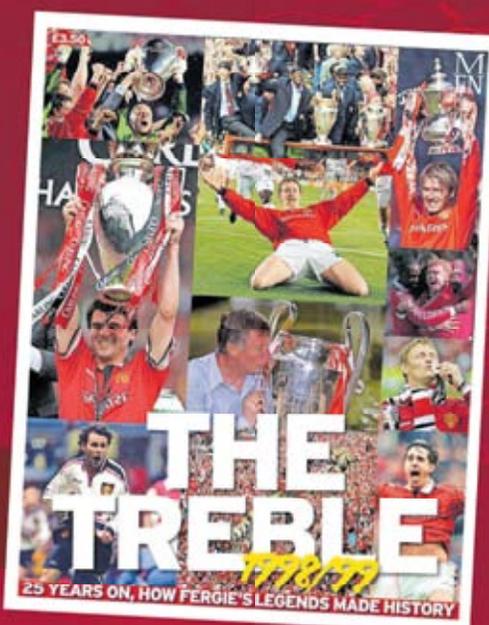
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# TICKED OFF



**POINT PROVEN:**  
Toney played part in Kane's winning goal

## But Toney and boss are mates after clock stop

**WHEN Gareth Southgate said Ivan Toney "had the hump" over being introduced into the Slovakia game four minutes into added time, it was the understatement of the tournament.**

Ask any striker how they feel about being thrown on in desperation with only moments of a match left, and they will tell you it feels like a kick in the teeth for a professional player.

Toney, after playing a decisive role in the remarkable comeback in Cologne, was all smiles back on the England training ground but it is clear he was seething with Southgate on Sunday evening.

He said: "You're excited to come out to a tournament - you want to get minutes and come on.

"In the dying moments, it's like, 'When am I going to come on?'

"You're looking at the clock thinking, now, now. I have seen it plenty of times when you're on the touchline ready to come on and the ball doesn't go out and the final whistle goes.

"I think my face said it all! The manager has been there before. I'm sure there's been a time when he's come on in the 90-odd minute and you just want to be on earlier.

"If I wasn't annoyed sitting on the bench, then I see it as you wouldn't have the right attitude and don't really want to play football.

**"But everything is sorted now, we're friends - not like we weren't friends - but we're friends again and concentrating on the next game."**

Southgate certainly should be friendly with Toney after the Brentford striker produced the assist for the Harry Kane goal that earned England a quarter-final tie against Switzerland on Saturday.

And while the manager is likely to stick with a formation that has Kane as a lone striker, Toney outlined a convincing case for why a forward pairing could be Southgate's secret weapon.

He added: "Obviously I would like to be playing as a two... We've played with each other and we've watched each other plenty of times and we know each

■ from **ANDY DUNN** in Erfurt

other. I feel like you just put yourself about when there's two upfront and then it gives the opposition more to think about."

**And while Toney might have been raging with Southgate for leaving it so late, the half-hour in Cologne still ranks as a highlight in his career.**

"It was probably one of the best feelings in my career," he said. "It's the dying seconds and we're close to heading home and Jude (Bellingham) does that.

"Then I play a part to head it into H... It's got to be up there."

Now, Toney, 28, wants to see a lot more action.

He said: "You might start, you might not, you might not play a second, but to be around is still playing a part.

"But for me, I want to be playing. I want to be playing and want to be on that pitch."

And if things are not going well in Dusseldorf this weekend, expect to see Toney earlier than the 94th minute.



**STEPPING UP:** Ivan Toney takes part in training after his cameo role against Slovakia where he celebrated victory with Harry Kane (above)

## 3 Lions at the back

■ by **JOHN CROSS**

**GARETH SOUTHGATE** could make a tactical change for England's Euros quarter-final clash with Switzerland.

The team worked on a back three in training yesterday ahead of the showdown in Dusseldorf.

Mannequins were set in that formation ready for an open training session before they closed it off to the public.

Attacking trio Phil Foden, Jude Bellingham and Harry Kane have struggled and Southgate is without a natural left-back. He made a huge success of a back three in the 2018 World Cup that carried them to a semi-final.

## Mystic Mug



**He talks a load of crystal balls...**

**TODAY** Keir Starmer claims England's comeback against Slovakia sealed Labour's Supermajority, saying: "It showed the country that amazing things can happen when you finally put a cross in the opposition's box."

**TOMORROW** Gareth Southgate voices his political concerns about Joe Biden and Donald Trump, insisting the US never found a natural replacement for 30th President Calvin Coolidge.



**SATURDAY** With England trailing Switzerland Gareth Southgate tries to convince Ivan Toney to be his last-gasp sub again. "You know coming on in injury time is like making love to a beautiful woman. Get your first touch right and bang we're into extra time." The Brentford striker replies: "F\*\*\* off with your Swiss Toney mind games, just tell me the odds."

**SUNDAY** After calling for Bukayo Saka to play left-back, Ian Wright insists the next England boss should be someone who rates Adam Wharton ahead of Declan Rice. Roy Keane smiles and says: "At last Wrighty's pulled his head out of his Arsenal."

**MONDAY** Gareth Southgate conjures up a natural replacement for not being able to put on any Calvins in Germany, by announcing plans to go commando.

**TUESDAY** Phil Foden hails the Bruce Springsteen-inspired chant about him as the perfect song because England's tactics have left him Dancing in the Dark. All together now. "You can't start a fire without a spark..."

**WEDNESDAY** Arsenal, Chelsea, Liverpool, Man United, Man City and Spurs are still pointless in the European Super League.



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# EURO 2024 QUARTER-FINAL: TWO



**FORM MAN:** Gakpo

## Cody's coming to boil

■ **from RYAN TAYLOR in Munich**

HALF of Cody Gakpo's 12 international goals have come at major tournaments.

Only Holland's all-time leading goalscorer at World Cups, Johnny Rep, has a better ratio.

And only Kylian Mbappe has scored more goals (nine) than the Dutchman at the past two major tournaments.

"He has been playing at a very high level for a year," said Dutch captain and Liverpool team-mate Virgil van Dijk after Gakpo netted in Tuesday's 3-0 demolition of Romania.

"I see him every day and know what kind of development he is going through."

Gakpo, 25 has been name-checked by boss Ronald Koeman as Holland's "best player" at Euro 2024 so far - a reputation he intends to maintain.

Koeman also made it clear that Gakpo's best position is left-wing - a role where opportunities have been limited at Liverpool.

But on this form, he will have every chance of pipping Luis Diaz to a starting spot.

## Bank on star Mert

■ **by SIMON MULLOCK**

MERT GUNOK insists his sensational point-blank save will mean nothing to him if Turkey are not crowned European champions.

The 35-year-old Besiktas keeper diverted Austria midfielder Christoph Baumgartner's injury-time header around the post to take his country into a quarter-final meeting with Holland in Berlin.

It generated comparisons to Gordon Banks' 'Save of the Century' to deny Pele at the 1970 World Cup.

Turkey's 2-1 victory over Austria on Tuesday was a classic settled by a Merih Demiral double and that moment of Gunok genius.

Gunok now has his sights set on a trip to Berlin for the Euro final on Sunday week.

He said: "I can rank the save as the best I ever made. We made it to the last eight - now hopefully, we will go all the way."



■ **FINAL BELL:** Jude Bellingham's overhead kick saves England from exit



■ **HANG ON:** Phil Foden is leaving the field after being substituted when he turns to see the celebrations

# 'I was 30 seconds from going home to the baby feeds but Jude saved me'

**PHIL FODEN is desperate to milk Jude Bellingham's wonder goal at Euro 2024.**

Because it has spared him from having to go home to do the night feeds with his newborn son, who arrived last week.

No one had a better view of Bellingham's last-gasp overhead kick against Slovakia than Foden.

He was walking around the pitch and back to the dugout when Bellingham pounced to take the game into extra time, which England won 2-1 thanks to Harry Kane's winner.

And while the whole bench celebrated, all Foden could think of was how it saved him from having some sleepless nights back in Cheshire.

Because England now face Switzerland in a crunch quarter-final in Dusseldorf this weekend instead.

Foden said: "I thought, 'I'm 30 seconds away from doing baby feeds at home here!'"

"So thanks to Jude for that, he saved me there."

"But honestly, it's unbelievable, what he did. It just sums Jude up. He never gives up until the end."

Foden believes the comeback win against Slovakia in

## NOW WE'LL BE IN FULL CRY FOR SWISS SAYS PHIL FODEN

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■ **from JEREMY CROSS in Blankenhain**

Gelsenkirchen can breathe new life into what has been a limp England so far.

**And he has rubbished suggestions him and Bellingham cannot play together in the same Three Lions team.**

He said: "I don't agree with that. I feel we do work good together."

"It's just the way the games have gone sometimes and the way football works."

"I feel like the last game we did build on it really well, in terms of keeping the ball a lot more, we piled pressure on in the end, and I feel like it can hopefully click

together in the next game. The way we won the (Slovakia) game, it's helped us in a way.

"I feel like it's given us so much more belief now. We have to remain focused, because we know we can do a lot better than we've done, so it's all about growing."

"We know we can be a lot better, but it's all about now not dwelling on the past just looking forward to the future."

"I feel that's all we can do you know, just try and make it right."

There is a clamour for Foden to be picked in the same No.10 role he excelled in with Premier League champions Manchester City last season.

But despite admitting he feels a little frustrated, Foden believes the chance for England to win Euro 2024 is still there.

He added: "I have been a little frustrated. I am not going to lie. I

want to try and score, do better things for England. And like I said, it has not worked out but it is about keeping a good mentality."

**"I have not been the best player in the Premier League to come here and not show it."**

"I feel like every game I am moving forward and hopefully I can put on some good performances. That has always been my aim for England."

"It has been a tight tournament. There's not been one (team) that's run away with it. It just shows the level of the teams involved."



■ **THUMBS UP:** Foden has a selfie with an England fan **PIC: ANDY STENNING**

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PEN PAL: Diogo Costa

## Diogo's keeping the faith

■ by MARK JONES

MISSED penalties and broken noses have meant these Euros have not exactly gone to plan for Cristiano Ronaldo and Kylian Mbappe just yet.

But for the men who will be trying to stop them from scoring in tomorrow night's mouthwatering quarter-final in Hamburg, things could scarcely be going better.

Diogo Costa heads into the last eight as Portugal's new hero. His three penalty saves against Slovenia have cemented him in the hearts of his nation.

When quizzed on how he kept out those spot kicks, he said: "I just went with my gut. I thought I needed to do that."

"Goalkeepers sometimes barely touch the ball, but this makes it worth it."

At the opposite end of the pitch will be France's Mike Maignan, who has conceded just one goal in his four games so far.

Back-up goalkeeper Alphonse Areola was full of praise for 'Magic Mike'.

He said: "We are qualified and he had his share of responsibility. We are by his side."

Ronaldo and Mbappe have been warned.

## Joselu's Toni goal

■ by CHARLIE GORDON

SPAIN striker Joselu wants to send former Real Madrid team-mate Toni Kroos into retirement tomorrow.

Spain and Germany will do battle in Stuttgart for a place in the Euro 2024 semi-finals.

And Kroos has confirmed that his final matches as a professional footballer will come at this summer's tournament.

"It was an honour to have played with Toni," said Joselu.

"As much as I love Toni, Friday's game will be his last. We hope to send him into retirement."

Kroos, 34, hit back at the former Stoke striker.

"I can understand him saying that, but we have a lot to say about it," said the German.

"I will do everything I can to prevent it from coming true!"

PILE ON! Foden (right) rejoins the party as the England players leap on their saviour



## BLAME

From Back Page see where it is going wrong and adapt our press.

"I feel like the players have got to take some of the blame. There has to be some leaders to get together and find out a solution to why it is not working."

"There is only so much the manager can do. He sets you up in a system and tells you how to press."

"The players have got to adapt better to what the other team is doing."

"It is something we have definitely spoken about and going forward, hopefully you will see a different side to us pressing-wise."

Fellow England star Cole Palmer says taking a penalty in a major shootout will involve a whole new level of pressure compared to club football.

The midfielder recently took on spot-kick duties at Chelsea but admitted: "It is so different."

"When you know you are going to take a penalty (in a shootout), you start thinking."

"And then there is the coin toss and everything. You have to stand there and watch everyone else take it, the pressure builds up and up."

"In a game, if you miss there is still time to do something, to score."

"Once you miss in a shootout, there isn't time to redeem yourself."

"If you miss and everyone scores, it's all your fault."

Even so, he won't shy away. "If I was nominated I wouldn't have a choice but to take one," he said.

## TURKEY CLASH WILL RAISE FAN FEARS

GERMAN police are on red alert ahead of a potential semi-final clash between England and Turkey.

The teams would meet in Dortmund next week if they win through their quarter-final matches this weekend.

England face Switzerland in their quarter-final on Saturday evening with Turkey against Holland following on that night.

If both teams win their games it will see rival supporters come together in a city with a large Turkish population. German police

■ by JEREMY CROSS in Blankenhain and other authorities fare prepared to make the fixture a high-risk one bearing in mind the huge interest in tickets likely to be shown by both sets of fans.

A huge security operation would be launched by Dortmund police chief Ralf Ziegler.

Police leave is likely to be cancelled, and extra English spotters would be drafted in to keep close tabs on known hooligans. Emotions are sure to be running high with a

place in the Euros final at stake.

The Turkish fans (left) are some of the most fanatical at the tournament and 19 were arrested in the wake of their side beating Austria to reach the last eight.

Police had firecrackers aimed at them in Gelsenkirchen, and one officer was injured.

In Berlin, local police had to break up groups of Turkish fans to stop the celebrations getting out of hand as thousands took to the streets.

In the past there has been

some flashpoints when English and Turkish club sides has faced each other.

In 2000 two Leeds United fans were stabbed to death in Istanbul, ahead of their side's UEFA Cup semi final with Galatasaray.

And ahead of the UEFA Cup final a month later, warring Arsenal and Galatasaray supporters were involved in violent running battles in Copenhagen.

The trouble tarnished England's bid to persuade FIFA to let it stage the 2006 World Cup.





# RATCLIFFE TO SHOW 250 UNITED STAFF THE DOOR

MANCHESTER UNITED have left staff stunned after telling them almost 25 per cent of the club's workforce will lose their jobs.

And the bombshell news comes less than 24 hours after United agreed to hand

■ by JEREMY CROSS around £8m in compensation to Newcastle for new sporting director Dan Ashworth.

Starsport revealed in March (right) how co-owner Sir Jim Ratcliffe (left)

intended to make drastic staff cuts across the board.

Now it has been confirmed following a series of meetings, which have resulted in Old Trafford bosses announcing up to 250 of the club's 1,100

employees would be made redundant.

Ratcliffe hired consultants Interpath Advisory to review a significant restructuring of the club's football operation.

The billionaire has been  
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Sir Jim gets his axe out



**GREATEST: Cavendish**  
 Cav is a history maker

■ by MIKE WALTERS

MARK CAVENDISH dissolved into tears after making Tour de France history and then sealed his triumph with a kiss.

Sprint legend Cavendish, knighted in the King's Birthday Honours, capped a memorable month by powering to his 35th career stage win on Le Tour to surpass Belgian great Eddy Merckx.

The 39-year-old Manx Missile burst clear with a sensational finish in Saint-Vulbas and was greeted by his wife Peta and their children next to the Astana-Qazaqstan team bus.

Cavendish said: "Wow, I'm in a little bit of disbelief. Astana took a big gamble to come here and try to win at least one stage this year."

"We did exactly what we wanted to do. Every little detail has been put towards specifically today and you see what it means because the Tour de France is bigger than

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**Doubles so Rad**

■ by NEIL McLEMAN

EMMA RADUCANU could not refuse the "once in a lifetime opportunity" of playing mixed doubles with her "hero" Andy Murray at his final Wimbledon.

And the two British Grand Slam champions are set to kick-off a Super Saturday of sport before England play Switzerland at Euro 2024.

Raducanu last night reached the third round of a Grand Slam for the first time since her 2021 US Open triumph but she has only ever played one Tour-level doubles match.

But that did not stop  
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## ENGLAND v SWITZERLAND



**QUARTER-FINAL**  
**SATURDAY**  
 5pm, BBC

# LIONS' SHARE OF THE BLAME

## Foden takes heat off under-fire Southgate

**PHIL FODEN insists the players are to blame for England's poor displays at Euro 2024 - not boss Gareth Southgate.**

The Three Lions have limped into a quarter-final against Switzerland on Saturday despite failing to get out of first gear.

Southgate has faced a barrage of criticism for team selections and tactics but Foden thinks those on the pitch should take more responsibility.

The Manchester City star has huge sympathy for his boss and wants the team to do more to work out what is going wrong

■ from JEREMY CROSS in Blankenhain

on the pitch. Foden said: "I feel sorry for Gareth."

"In training he has been telling us to press and be high up on the pitch."

"Sometimes it has to come from the players. We have to be leaders and I feel like in those games we could have got together a little bit more and worked out a solution for ourselves."

"I feel like we have spoken about it more and if it happens again in a game, we can get together and find a solution and

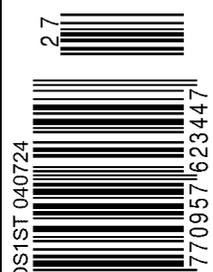
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**FUN AND GAMES:** Phil Foden and (inset) Declan Rice yesterday



**RAIN MAN:** England boss Gareth Southgate



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