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**MAN HELD: PAGES 8-9**

by **JERRY LAWTON**  
in Germany

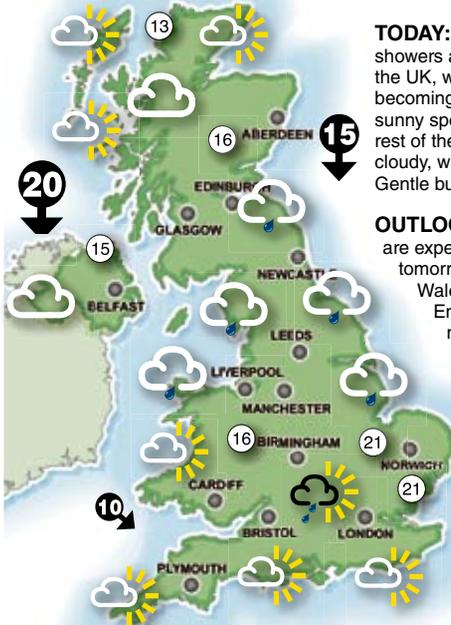
**NO, that was not a dream!** England are in the Euros final after supersub Ollie Watkins scored in the last minute to beat the Dutch. Be very, very afraid, Spain.

**Full story: Pages 2,3,4,5 & Sport**

# SUPERSUB WATKINS

# OLE OLE

## TODAY'S WEATHER



**TODAY:** A few isolated showers are expected across the UK, with some of these becoming locally heavy. Early sunny spells in the south. The rest of the day will remain very cloudy, with little sunshine. Gentle but variable winds.

**OUTLOOK:** A few showers are expected throughout tomorrow, particularly in Wales and Southern England. It will be mostly cloudy. The threat of some isolated heavy showers on Saturday.

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**FINALLY: Boss Gareth Southgate rejoices after taking team all the way**



Picture: HUMPHREY NEMAR

# FIRES LIONS INTO EUROS FINAL

# OLLIE!



**GET IN!** Ollie Watkins celebrates his goal. Ezri Konsa, Jude Bellingham and Watkins after the game. Above, fan's prediction



**FIGHT:** Dutch jobs 5 hurt in clashes

FIVE England fans had "minor injuries" after clashes ahead of last night's match.

Chairs, tables and bottles were thrown by Dutch fans outside a bar in Dortmund where police made a number of arrests.

A spokesman for the UK Football Policing Unit, which is helping German officers, said: "It appears that there have been several instances of Dutch fans attacking England fans in bars and attempting to steal flags."

Leo Woeho, a staff member at Sausalitos where the clash took place, said: "The Dutch started it."

"A TV and furniture were damaged. No one was seriously hurt."



**RISKY:** Drink driving 4 ales a danger

FANS who supped four pints watching last night's game shouldn't be driving today, experts have warned.

Supporters who decide to risk the school run or a commute to work could still be over the limit.

Hunter Abbott, MD of personal breathalyser firm AlcoSense, said: "If you drink four pints of average strength beer, 4%, up until closing time you won't be clear of alcohol until about 11am."

"For stronger beers it takes even longer."

"Just a small amount of alcohol in your system slows a driver's reaction time, inhibits judgement and reduces concentration - increasing the likelihood of a road accident."

by JERRY LAWTON

**OLLIE** Watkins sent England fans into dreamland by firing home a sensational 90th-minute winner to book a date with destiny in the Euro 2024 final.

The Aston Villa striker had only been on the pitch 10 minutes after replacing captain Harry Kane when he spun in the penalty area and blasted the ball home.

It sealed a hard-fought 2-1 victory against The Netherlands. The goal led to wild scenes inside the stadium where noise levels hit 100 decibels.

It triggered a booze frenzy among 28 million frazzled fans watching on TV in pubs, restaurants, fan zones, garden parties and living rooms across the UK.

Supporters supped 35million pints into

## England leave it late.. again, but it's enough

the early hours. Pubs were allowed to stay open until 1am so fans could enjoy a nationwide knees-up.

England face a showdown against Spain in Sunday's final. It is the first time in history England has made it to a major men's football tournament final outside the UK.

Gareth Southgate's team now stand just 90 minutes away from finally ending 58 years of hurt by winning their first trophy since the 1966 World Cup. That triumph

happened on home turf at Wembley - along with the heartbreaking spotkick shootout Euro 2020 final defeat by Italy.

Last night's semi was another nerve-shredder in the BVB Stadion in Dortmund where orange-clad Dutch fans outnumbered England supporters by five-to-one.

Watkins said afterwards he had a prediction he and Carlton Palmer would come on and Palmer would set him up for a goal.

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**ROAR:** Lions scent blood

# FANS UP THE EXCITEMENT IN



It's coming home 🇬🇧🏆

**NAME GAME:** Pancaldi

## A poor spell for tatt lad

A FAN celebrates England at the Euros with a tattoo – despite it being etched as “Engerland”.

Oliver Adams, 20, filmed the clip of his friend Jack Pancaldi, 20, sitting proud with his new ink.

The tattoo reads: “Engerland 2024 Winners.”

Oliver said: “He got it after watching England vs Switzerland while we’ve been on a lads’ holiday in Albuferia, Portugal.”

One TikTok user commented: “It’s England not Engerland.”

Another joked: “If we lose the Euros you can put darts World Cup at least.”

Meanwhile, an influencer has had Jude Bellingham’s name tattooed on her naughty bits.

Tiffany Santos, 21, donned a Three Lions shirt as the artist got to work.

One of her friends paid £7,000 for the intimate etching south of her belly button.

She said she was “open” to new experiences.

A pal said: “I think she wishes they’d gone for Saka... but at least it wasn’t Trent Alexander-Arnold. She and the tattooist would have missed the match!”

## Cops in phoney tops op

POLICE seized £100,000 worth of fake England football shirts in raids ahead of last night’s semi-final.

The City of London police force’s intellectual property crime unit made eight arrests over counterfeit goods.

Five people were nicked during raids at a shop and five houses in Camden, north London.

Two raids in Haslemere, Surrey, resulted in £50,000 worth of shirts being seized. In Sheffield officers rounded up £25,000 worth of counterfeit products including football kits.

**KEEPING IT CLEAN:** A fan cools off in rainwater falling from the stadium roof, while others take to the streets of Dortmund



**HELLO:** Adele joins the fans at Dortmund, while Ed Sheeran soaks up the atmosphere with a pal



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# GERMANY BEFORE BIG GAME



# HONOUR ME HEAD SON!



SMASHER: Bukayo

## 'Shot of my life' by Saka

BUKAYO Saka said he hit the "best shot of my life" after a two-minute lesson with golf star Ian Poulter.

The Ryder Cup hero put England's aces through their paces on the golf course at the team hotel in Blankenhain.

Poults, 48, stepped in to help struggling Saka on the driving range.

And seconds later the Arsenal winger blasted the ball into oblivion.

Saka, 22, said: "Oh my goodness. The best shot of my life. Just one lesson - not even a lesson - two minutes!"

Poulter said: "Flushed it, flushed it. That was nice."

Goalie Aaron Ramsdale said he had improved so much he knocked two shots off his handicap in just two rounds.

While captain Harry Kane revealed his handicap is an incredible 2.9 - not far off a professional golfers' zero.

Poulter, a double World Golf Champion and five-time Ryder Cup winner, said afterwards: "I'm super impressed."

"Some of the boys were feeling really nervous but I have got to be honest, they did amazing."

## Gaffer: World at your feet

GARETH Southgate told his England players he was going to help them win the World Cup in his very first meeting with them.

Former Three Lions star Phil Jones told Ladbrokes 1-2-Free podcast: "I remember when he took over and in his first meeting with the lads he was showing clips of the World Cup, the actual trophy, and the European trophy too."

"That was the first meeting we had with him and that's what he had in mind for us. He outlined that from day one."

by JERRY LAWTON

**GARETH Southgate is set to be knighted for turning England into winners again.**

The Three Lions' boss was close to becoming a Sir when the team got to the final of Euro 2020.

But his achievement in getting England into the final of this year's tournament in Germany is likely to clinch him a gong, sources say.

Research shows 39% of the nation

## Time to rise for Sir Gareth

backs the move. After landing the England job eight years ago he led the team to a World Cup semi-final in Russia in 2018 - their first since 1990.

Since then they have reached the Euro 2020 Final - losing narrowly to Italy on penalties - and a World Cup quarter-final in Qatar in 2022. Reaching the semis of

this year's footie showdown was said to be enough to promote him from his 2019 OBE to "Sir-hood".

Southgate, 53, is the Three Lions' most successful manager since Sir Alf Ramsey, who led the national side when they lifted the 1966 World Cup.

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# Chance to be legends

**WELL, well, well – what a night!**  
Just a couple of weeks ago fans and pundits alike were lamenting England's performances at the Euros. And now we're once again just one match away from ending 58 years of hurt and finally "bringing football home".

Sunday's showdown with Spain will be the second consecutive men's Euros final we've played in. *It's a remarkable achievement, considering where we were less than a decade ago.*

And whatever happens Gareth Southgate deserves the highest praise for how he's changed English football.

But Gareth himself will only regard his stint as manager a success if Harry Kane lifts that trophy in Berlin.

**And if that happens we can finally talk about Jude and Bukayo and Harry and Ollie and Gareth in the same breath as the two Bobbys and Geoff and Gordon and Alf.**

# Vexed on the beach

**MOST of us prefer a quiet beach to a crowded one.**

But the new laws in Greece seem a bit over the top.

Sunbeds and deckchairs must be kept a certain distance from the sea.

And anyone flouting the laws will be caught by drones and handed a fine.

*Sheesh – and we thought holidays were supposed to be relaxing!*

There is a wave of anti-tourist movements across Europe at the moment.

Obviously people should behave and respect any country and its customs when they are visiting.

**But by the same token, nations and resorts whose economy relies on money from holidaymakers should be careful not to put off visitors forever!**

# Beau-bots

**ONE in nine people fear they will be dumped for a robot.**

*Well clearly they press all the right buttons!*

# HOCUS FOCUS DRUID FACTS

## MAGIC HISTORY OF ANCIENT ORDER

★ POP star Marc Almond has revealed that he flunked out of druid school, as we reported yesterday, after failing to complete the exams.

Druids believe in the power of nature and the spirit world, but while the 67-year-old Soft Cell singer, right, says he's a believer, he admitted to not finishing the course to become a "Druid Companion".

Here **JAMES MOORE** conjures up some magical facts about the mysterious figures...



**SUMMER SOLSTICE:** Arthur Uther Pendragon, and right, The Wicker Man

**1** Priests of the ancient pagan Celts, druids first pop up in written records in the 4th century but probably date back to at least 1,000BC.

**2** The religious order were in charge of worship and even helped make laws. They did not have to pay taxes.

**3** They sported short hair, but long beards and the most senior ones wore golden robes. There were also druidesses, who could even divorce their husbands.

**4** Druid is a word which comes from an Irish Gaelic word for oak tree "know". They considered the trees sacred, associating them with wisdom and fertility.

**5** One of their rituals involved cutting mistletoe from oak trees with a golden sickle at night. The mistletoe wasn't allowed to touch the ground and had to be caught in a piece of cloth.

**6** Ancient druids wrote nothing down instead memorising verses, with instruction taking place in forests and caves. Becoming one could take up to 20 years of study.

**7** While they didn't fight themselves, druids were credited with having magical powers in battle. It was said they could rain down fire, conjure up snowstorms and even hurl mountains at the enemy.

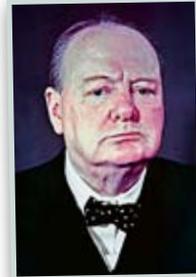
**8** Animal sacrifices – and possibly human ones too – were made by ancient druids. Roman leader Julius Caesar recorded that they even burned them in a wicker man, like the one in 1973 horror movie The Wicker Man, starring Christopher Lee.

**9** Druids were big on fortune telling and sometimes made

prophecies after eating sacrificed dog flesh, while the Roman writer Tacitus alleged: "The druids read the future by slicing open humans on their altars and watching which way they fell!"

**10** Many tall tales were told about druids. It was said they were capable of time travel and levitation. One, called Figol, could apparently prevent enemies from going to the toilet.

**11** Romans wanted to suppress the druids after invading Britain. They scared their soldiers, throwing down



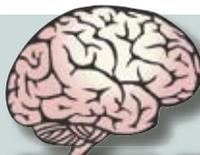
courses in battle. But Roman armies eventually defeated the druids in the 1st century AD at their stronghold in Anglesey. A century later druids had disappeared.

**12** Modern Druidry, inspired by some of the ancient beliefs, appeared as a movement in the 18th century. Even PM Winston Churchill, left, was a member of a druid order.

**13** It was once believed the druids were behind the building of 5,000-year-old Stonehenge, in Wiltshire, but historians now reckon they probably emerged after the stone circle was created.

**14** However, modern neo-druids, like Arthur Uther Pendragon, traditionally gather at the site for the summer and winter solstices every year.

**15** Today there are a host of different druid orders in the UK, with different beliefs. Some 2,500 folk identified as druids in 2011's census. It's reckoned there are 60,000-plus globally.



# THE BRAINBOX

## BRAINS OF BRITAIN

We asked for something made of rubber and should've known better:

- 1 Tyre
- 2 Eraser
- 3 Rubber
- 4 Elastic band
- 5 Wellington boots
- 6 Johnnie
- 7= Crocs, dinghy, plunger, duck, Duckie, doormat, hot water bottle, plug, washing up gloves, Barry

Join the BoB panel. Email StarLetters@dailystar.co.uk to get the next batch of questions

- 1 Which actor played DI Dave Creegan in the 1990s ITV crime series Touching Evil?
- 2 Who has made the most appearances for a single club in the Premier League?
- 3 Which American singer's Bad album was the best

- 4 Which film is featured in the picture – which doesn't show the title character?
- 5 Which word can be followed by both French and Glasgow to mean two very different things?

## ASK US ANOTHER

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**Q** Saw that insurance advert about the origin of the piggy bank. That's not right surely? **HOGGY**  
**A** It's thought that it comes from the word pygg or pygge, a type of clay that was used to make money jars.

### ANSWERS:

(1) Robson Green; (2) Ryan Giggs; (3) Michael Jackson; (4) Mary Poppins; (5) Kiss



**CHIM CHIMNEY:** Which film?



SECRET SOBS: Dyer

## Crybaby Danny a big softie

DANNY Dyer says he is a secret softie who cries and wears moisturiser.

The actor has made a career out of playing telly hardmen including Mick Carter on EastEnders.

But Danny, 46, confessed: "I put a little bit of tinted moisturiser on - just to give me a little bit of f\*\*ing glow."

He added: "I'm an alpha male who'll cry at a film like Marley & Me."

"The Press call me a hard man. I can swing a right-hander but I wouldn't go out of my way to do it."

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SHOW OFFER: Robson

## TV Linda told: No Dating..

LOOSE Women star Linda Robson has been offered the chance to find romance on TV - but her kids have ordered her not to do it.

The Birds Of A Feather actress split from husband Mark Dunford last year after 33 years of marriage.

Linda, 66, said: "I was asked to do Celebs Go Dating and my kids said, 'You can't. But I think I'd be really funny on there, and I'm not going to have sex with anyone or anything - I'd just have a laugh - but they told me, 'You're not doing that!' I wouldn't be looking for a date, I just want to meet people."

# Knickers to Jez

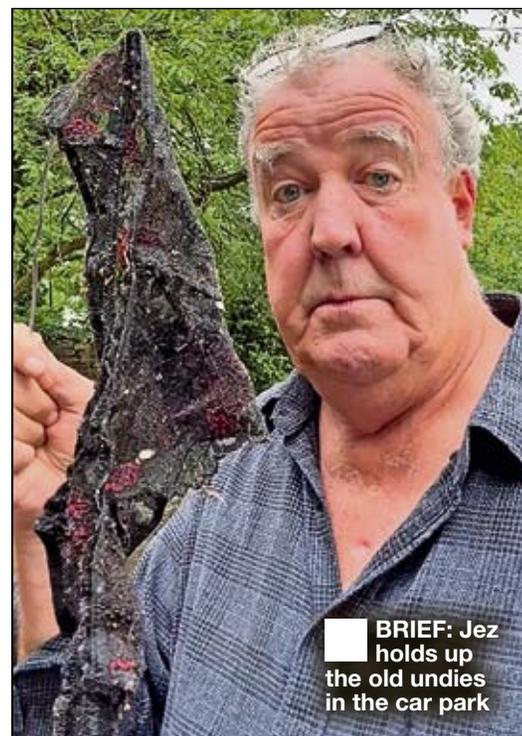


Poppy

★ ECO warrior Poppy is doing her bit for the planet.

★ The lass from Peterborough, 23, says: "Saving water is really important. I love a shower and it's great for washing your shirt too."

★ Despite all the rain we've had recently, we think this is one summer shower Poppy's fans won't mind at all.



BRIEF: Jez holds up the old undies in the car park

## DOGGERS AT CLARKSON'S NEW BOOZER

CREEPY Jeremy Clarkson found dirty knickers outside his pub after learning it was built on a "dogging" site.

The motormouth was horrified when he stumbled across the lacy undies on his land.

Jezza has just bought The Windmill near Burford in the Cotswolds, for which the former Top Gear star is reported to have paid "less than £1 million".

However he has since discovered the boozer is next to a notorious dogging hotspot. Jeremy, 64, inset, was holding the offending panties on the end of a stick in a short video posted to Instagram.

by PAIGE INGRAM

He told followers: "Tell me you bought a pub on a dogging site without telling me you bought a pub on a dogging site."

Another wrote: "Bet that was left there as a cruel joke by James May."

Clarkson's Farm star Jezza hopes to refurbish the pub, which is 10 miles from his Diddly Squat Farm, for a re-opening before Christmas.

One joker told him: [news@dailystar.co.uk](mailto:news@dailystar.co.uk)



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## Corrie tough, says Lipman

CORONATION Street star Maureen Lipman has spilled the beans on what it's really like behind the scenes on the soap.

The actress, 78, who plays Evelyn Plummer, says a lack of rehearsal time makes it "tough".

She revealed: "It didn't use to be like that, but now you're in and out. It sorts the weak from the strong because you've got to be able to do that."

# Family of BBC

## Racing's support for John

RACING paid tribute to John Hunt following the death of his wife and daughters.

Pledging his support to his bereaved friend, fellow pundit Matt Chapman shared a heartfelt message on X.

He wrote: "No words needed for what has happened to @Hunty Caller and family today. Impossible to comprehend the pain. Just know we are all here for you John."

"We love you pal - racing loves you."

Broadcaster and commentator Mike Vince said: "John Hunt was, is, and always will be one of the best broadcasting professionals I have ever had the honour of working with, and one of the nicest members of the human race. My heart bleeds for him. This is simply shattering."

Sky Sports Racing said it was "deeply saddened" by the deaths. It said: "Our thoughts are with our colleague John Hunt, his family and friends at this awful time."



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**CCTV: Suspect leaving home.** Above, Clifford with Louise. Below and right, police at scene



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# man's slain

## CROSSBOW SUSPECT FOUND IN CEMETERY

by ISOBEL DICKINSON

**A TRIPLE murder suspect hunted after a BBC racing pundit's family were found dead was last night captured in a cemetery.**

Dozens of officers swooped on the graveyard in dramatic scenes following a manhunt for Kyle Clifford, 26.

An ambulance was later seen leaving the scene in Hilly Fields, Enfield, north London, and a man was seen being carried on a stretcher.

Clifford had been found hurt and was last night receiving treatment for injuries, Hertfordshire Police confirmed.

It came following the discovery of the bodies of Radio 5 Live racing commentator John Hunt's wife Carol, 61, and daughters Louise, 25, and Hannah, 28, below.

They had been tied up in their home in Bushey, Herts, before they were shot dead with a crossbow in a "targeted attack" that may have also included "other weapons".

Kyle is believed to be the ex-boyfriend of Louise, with the couple believed to have recently split up.

Doorbell footage emerged of what is believed to be a suspect fleeing, carrying what appeared to be a crossbow concealed underneath a sheet on Friday evening.

The public were warned not to approach the ex-soldier after police launched a huge manhunt.

Last night they closed down the cemetery as officers carrying automatic rifles stood guard at the gates.

Two helicopters were also spotted hovering above - one believed to have been an air ambulance which landed in the cemetery grounds.

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**HORROR: Officers outside house**



**'TARGETED ATTACK':** Louise. Above, Carol with John



## DEFENDANT: Actor Baldwin in movie gun trial

ALEC Baldwin "violated the cardinal rules of firearm safety", a prosecutor said at the actor's trial for involuntary manslaughter.

Erlinda Ocampo Johnson said the set of the film Rust, where cinematographer Halyna Hutchins was shot and killed, was a workplace.

"Like in many workplaces, there are people who act in a reckless manner and place other people in danger," Ms Johnson said. "That, you will hear, is the defendant."

A defence lawyer called the death an "unspeakable tragedy" but added: "Alec Baldwin committed no crime." The trial continues

**FACT OF**

**THE Eiffel Tower gets taller in the summer.**  
When the iron heats up, the tower can be up to 15 centimetres taller.

**THE DAY**



## EXCITEMENT: Crimbo Festive run-up flies by

CHRISTMAS does seem to come around quicker every year for some.

Excitement about the holiday, or a lack of plans, are likely to make it feel it comes sooner, say boffins.

Research in the UK and Iraq questioned people about the onset of Christmas or Ramadan.

They found 76% of Brits felt Christmas came quicker, and 70% of Iraqis felt the same about Ramadan.

The team, from Liverpool John Moores University and Imam Ja'afar Al-Sadiq University, suggest the findings could mean our experience of time is shaped by what's been done and what's left to do.

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# SUNBED WAR



PLEDGE: Liz Kendall

## Labour jobs joy for Brits

CREATING good jobs and tackling the root causes of unemployment are priorities for the Government.

Work And Pensions Secretary Liz Kendall declared "economic inactivity is holding Britain back".

She said: "It's bad for people, bad for businesses and bad for growth."

"We'll create more good jobs, make work pay, transform skills, and overhaul jobcentres, alongside action to tackle the root causes of worklessness including poor physical and mental health."

The party said Jobcentre Plus and the National Careers Service will be merged to get more people into work and help people find better paid jobs.

### WORD OF

**SWOLE:** Extremely muscular (used especially of a man).

### THE DAY



SICK: Beckinsale

## Kate's bloody furious

KATE Beckinsale has confessed to "vomiting blood" during a terrifying health scare.

The Hollywood actress opened up while hitting back at an Instagram troll, who told her to "go do some squats" because her "ass ran away".

Kate, 50, replied: "I watched my stepfather die quite shockingly, my mother had stage 4 cancer."

"And then I was in hospital for six weeks because the grief had burned a hole in my oesophagus which made me vomit copious amounts of blood."

"So I'm not really concerned about what you think about my a\*\*."



## Queen Rita's red hot

★ RITA Ora is red for action as she poses at the Empire State Building. She wore several outfits in the colour to promote her role as Queen of Hearts in Disney film *Descendants: The Rise Of Red*.  
 ★ In fact, everything the 33 year old has worn on a whistlestop promotional tour has been scarlet.



SKY SPY: Protecting beaches

## Drones on patrol at hot spots

by KATE NELSON

BRITS abroad are being targeted by drones in a bid to finally end the dreaded sunbed wars.

Greek ministers have issued £300,000 worth of fines in a week to those flouting strict new rules on beaches.

Regulations state umbrellas and deckchairs must be at least 4metres from the sea. And no rentals are allowed on small stretches of sand.

Drones and satellite trackers are being used to target "entrepreneurs" flouting the rules. Residents can also snitch on a special app to log complaints.

The rules are aimed at eateries and sunbed sellers that hog the beach.

Kostis Hatzidakis, the economy minister, said: "Our goal is to protect both the environment and the right of citizens to access the beach freely."

The app had more than 1,000 complaints in just five days. Most were in the Chalkidiki peninsula, around Athens and on Corfu, a fave with Brit sun-lovers.

The move comes as hostility towards tourism in some parts of the Med is increasing.

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## 'ZOMBIES' SO SMART

NIGHT zombies are among the cleverest people out there, boffins say.

Folk who tend to be most active and alert in the evenings appear to perform better at cognitive tests, according to a study.

Dr Raha West, from Imperial College London, said: "Adults who are naturally more active in the evening - what we called 'eveningness' - tended to perform better on cognitive tests than those who are 'morning people'."

The researchers crunched data on almost 27,000 people.



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★ **DAISY** Edgar-Jones won't get to flex her vocal chops as **Carole King** after confirming that the planned biopic is off.

The *Normal People* actress had been tapped to play the legendary singer-songwriter – and even spoke to her.

★ Daisy said: "That's no longer happening. I think it's a gorgeous story and the script probably needs a little more time in the oven."

"But I met Carole on Zoom, and was like, 'This is the coolest thing ever.'

★ "I get so starstruck by musicians, much more than actors, and Carole was one where it was quite hard to keep my cool."



# JOSH OP

**QUEENS Of The Stone Age** shelved some of their European tour dates because frontman **Josh Homme** needs urgent medical attention.

In a statement, the rockers said: "QOTSA regret to announce Josh must return to the United States immediately for emergency surgery. Every effort was made to push through and play for you, but it's no longer an option."

Among the cancellations were shows in France, Slovakia, Croatia and Greece, all scheduled for this month.

Last year Josh shared that he had been diagnosed with a form of cancer in 2022 and had gone under the knife to have it removed.



## WIRED

**SABRINA** Carpenter has shared the tracklist for her Short 'N Sweet LP.

Out on August 23, the song titles include Taste, Sharpest Tool, Bed Chem, Dumb & Poetic and Lie To Girls.

## WORLD

## WIRED

**FRESH** from their comeback shows, **AC/DC's** *Back In Black* LP has been certified 26x platinum in the US.

That's a whopping 26million copies sold or streamed – with global sales now touching 50m.

## WORLD



# I'll plan Grande UK tour BUT IT'S FILMS 1ST

**GOOD** witch **Ariana Grande** is finally ready to wave her magic wand over UK arenas, in between two *Wicked* movies.

The pop star teased that she's keen to tour – five long years after she last hit the road.

Ari, who last toured her *Sweetener* album in 2019, will squeeze in gigs around the release of *Wicked: Part 1* – in November – and 2, out next year.

She said: "It would be a really lovely idea to be able to trickle in some shows... there's a version of that, that exists. It's definitely for a multitude of reasons not going to be a tour in the way that I used to tour – it will be a mini little sampling."

Ariana once feared she'd never be able to perform again in the wake of the Manchester Arena bombing, in May 2017, that killed 22 people including children – she went on to host a benefit concert in memory of the victims.

Meanwhile, the Yes, And? singer hit back at trolls criticising her speaking voice after an interview clip of her switching between a low and high register went viral.

"It's such a normal thing that people do, especially if you have a large range," she explained, adding that her vocal change was also a result of playing squeaky Glinda in the upcoming musical adaptation. "I did just spend a long time playing a character and training my voice to do different things."

Ariana went on to call out double standards in the industry, saying men don't attract the same amount of criticism or attention.

She railed: "You see male actors, sure people make jokes here and there as well, but it's always after the fact of, 'Oh wow, how dedicated to his craft, what an amazing transformation, he's a brilliant performer!'"

"Then it's like, God forbid I sneeze like Glinda or something, or make an intonation. It's just that I'm crazy, or 'Should someone check on her?'"



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All week



★ **THE "Curse of Drake"** hit the Canadian football team – and **Lionel Messi** is loving it. The rapper lost \$300,000 on a bet that his country would beat Argentina in Tuesday's Copa América semi-final in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

★ Drake posted an image on Instagram that showed his bet would have given him a \$2.88million payout if Canada had won.

However, when they lost 2-0 the official Argentina account responded with a photo that had the caption, "Not like us" – the title of a Drake "diss" track by **Kendrick Lamar**.

★ Drake has form for losing big sporting bets – dubbed the "Drake Curse".

However, his Super Bowl bet on Kansas Chiefs this year earned him a cool \$1.2m.



★ **THE LaFontaines** had a medical emergency before a show – after drummer **Jamie Keenan** got something stuck in his ear!

The Scottish band, whose album **Business As Usual** is out now, were given a fright as they prepared to perform at a festival in Venice.

★ Guitarist **Darren McCaughey** told me: "An earphone became lodged in Jamie's ear... we were already late on stage. So he had to continue the gig like this and have it seen to by the on-site medical team afterwards – it was quite serious."

★ The lads embark on their UK headline tour, including a date at London's Omeara, in September.



# SOME-FINN UPSET BILL

**BILLIE Eilish** and **Finneas** are like any normal brother and sister – they have almighty bust-ups.

While taking part in the viral Hot Ones chicken challenge, the siblings admitted they've had flaming rows.

Billie said: "Finneas is a lot of the time barefoot, or a lot of the time in very filthy shoes."

"He'll put them on the desk when my face is right there!"

Her producer bro also 'fessed that he was sometimes a, ahem, bad guy when they were making latest album **Hit Me Hard And Soft**.

He added: "I was high and mighty about, like, 'You're not being honest or authentic enough', and you were coming up with such beautiful melodies and cool cadences... I learned a lot about being too egocentric."

Things turned spicier when Finneas was asked to pay his sis a compliment – he quipped: "You look good in the dumbest f\*\*\*ing clothing."

This feud is finger-lickin' good!



★ **SOME** consider her to be the mother of pop and now **Kylie Minogue** has an anthem to accompany the sentiment. The Aussie legend drops new single **My Oh My**, aka **MOM**, tomorrow, ahead of her headline **BST Hyde Park** performance.

★ The track features pop "youngsters" **Bebe Rexha** and **Tove Lo**, who have both posted footage of themselves taking calls from "MOM".

Not sure Kylie would approve of that! Hear the first radio play on **Zoe Ball's BBC Radio 2** breakfast show this morning.



# A NASTY TASTE..

CREATING an alter ego helped **Tinashe** land a viral hit.

The US singer's tune **Nasty** is blowing up across social media and she revealed: "That kind of came from this persona that I've created in my mind."

"Nasty Nashe is this character that I like to tap into when I'm feeling really confident and braggadocious and hot and sexy. So I thought, why not just write a song named **Nasty**?"

To quote the lyrics, "Is somebody gonna match her freak?"

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SPOT: Roman Kemp

## Kemp: I saw a UFO

ROMAN Kemp insists he saw a UFO - like an upside down version of London's O2 venue

The radio host, 31, says the bizarre object once appeared in a crystal-clear blue sky while he was driving.

The One Show star, who has appeared on Celebrity Gogglebox with his pop star dad Martin Kemp, said: "I was in the car and had one of my friends in the car as well.

"And it had just snowed. And you know when it snows and all of a sudden it goes super clear - the sky is so clear, just blue.

"It was like a bowl that was upside down, silver, just hovering there. I could see every detail."

Roman said he saw the huge object over Rickmansworth, Herts.

He added: "When I tell all of my mates they kill me for it - but I saw it. So did my friend."

## Police rage at Piglets

SENIOR police have slammed ITV for calling a new comedy show Piglets.

Set in a police cadet training college, the programme's name appears to be a reference to "pig" - a derogatory word for police.

Tiffany Lynch, acting national chair of the Police Federation of England and Wales, branded the title "disgusting" and "highly offensive to officers risking their lives to protect the public every day".

An ITV spokesman said: "The title is not intended to cause offence. It's a comedic and endearing play on words to emphasise the innocence and youth of our young trainees."



## It'll be all white Tess

★ TESS Daly is in a reflective mood as she poses at a posh harbour.

The Strictly host, 55, models the latest range from her own NAIA Beach line in Ibiza.

★ She posted the sexy pic online, saying: "The most beautiful backdrop to shoot."

But this week Tess admitted she was left "heartbroken" when her 19-year-old daughter Phoebe moved away from home to study at university.

★ She said: "I remember silently sobbing all the way back down the motorway.

"She's my baby, my first born. I was heartbroken just dropping her off and waving goodbye."



ACCUSED: Pernice 'will clear name'

## Beeb widens inquiry over abuse claims

by ED GLEAVE

STRICTLY chiefs have started probing claims about a string of its stars.

Since launching an investigation about pro dancer Giovanni Pernice, 33, there have been a raft of new complaints.

It has forced the show to widen its inquiries.

A show insider said: "This investigation is no longer just about Giovanni but other, more wider issues.

"Having the Giovanni complaint has been a big enough issue, but now it looks like there is more to be scrutinised and looked into."

The probe is happening just weeks before production is due to start on the next series.

The investigation about show hunk Giovanni has been ongoing for months.

His former celeb partner Amanda Abbington, 50, claimed he was abusive behind the scenes when they competed on last year's series.

It has since been confirmed he has left the dance contest and will be replaced by former pro Aljaz Skorjanec, 34.

Giovanni has strongly denied claims made about him.

He said: "I reject any suggestion of abusive or threatening behaviour, and I look forward to clearing my name."

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## 'CURSE' REAL

DANCER Karen Hauer hinted at secret victims of the "Strictly curse" - where celebs and pro partners are said to find a romantic spark.

She told new! mag: "I've seen things. It exists. It's there."



# APPEAL TO SAVE YOUNG DRIVERS

## Time up for lost watch..

THE family of a teenager killed with two friends in a car crash want restrictions on young drivers.

World champion kick-boxer Callum Griffiths, 19, died with Jesse Owen and Morgan Smith, both 18.

Six people were packed into an Audi A1 when it collided head on with a bus in Coedely, South Wales, last December. Callum's mum

by STEVE HUGHES

Natalie said: "Anything we can do to not just save young lives, but ultimately to stop the ripple effect that has happened to us."

The family have joined pleas for so-called Graduated Driving Licences on drivers under 25, which would include a ban on carrying passengers or restrictions on driving at night.



KILLED: Callum

A HOBBY diver tracked down a luxury £55,000 watch on the seabed using a metal detector.

The timepiece, which was still ticking, had been lost by a tourist as he jumped into the sea from a boat last summer.

Diver Giorgio, 38, found the Patek Philippe Aquanaut Travel Time at 33ft off Port de sa Pedra de s'Asa in Mallorca, Spain, nestled in tall sea grass.



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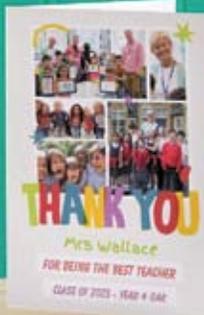
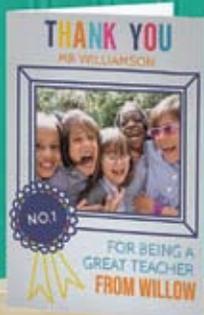


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★ A DUCKLING takes a leap of faith as it dives out of a bird box at just two days old. And after landing safely it is reunited with its mum and siblings, who have also plunged into the water from on high.

★ Steve Furcich, 66, who took the pictures near Lake Bavaria in Minnesota, USA, explained: "The chicks all hatch within 24 hours of each other and then all jump out of the nest 24 hours later. But not until the mother is outside the nest and calling to them."

★ "How this all happens on time and according to plan never ceases to amaze me."

# Duckling & diving



2. LANDING



3. REUNION

# Man bit snake to death

A BLOKE bit and killed a snake after it attacked him in his sleep.

Santosh Lohar was kipping at a labourers' camp when the intruder sank its fangs into him.

The 35-year-old, from Panduka in India, grabbed the reptile with an iron rod and bit it three times.

He said: "In my village, there's a belief that if a snake bites you, you must bite it back twice to neutralise the venom."

# AI DUMP YOU!



**ELECTRIC: Robo-romance**

■ by STIAN ALEXANDER  
**INSECURE** Brits worry their partner will dump them – for a robot.

Just over half of those polled (56%) said they were against a partner having an AI boyfriend or girlfriend on the side.

But some reckoned having a cyborg lover would stop a partner cheating with another human, researchers found.

A spokesman for DatingAdvice, which did the poll, said:

## Brits fear lovers will swap them for sexbot

"We found that the majority hold a negative view of AI partners."

"However, there is still significant support for the idea, with some even considering it a way to improve their relationship,

while others view it as a real-life prevention against cheating."

A total of 16% said a sexbot would ruin their relationship, with 11% saying they would be worried their partner would

leave them for the android. But 31% said they wouldn't mind – or would even encourage – their partner to take a robot-lover, with 13% unsure.

Gary Wentworth, 29, of Aylesbury, Bucks, said: "There is no way my girlfriend would ever allow me to have a robot partner."

"And there's no way I'd want her to have one – I'd worry it would be better than me."

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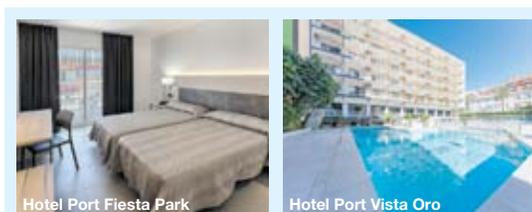
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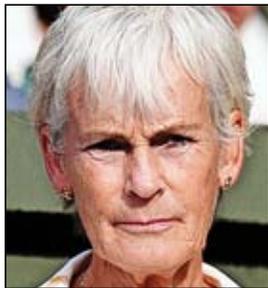
★ **GEORGE Clooney** has begged bumbling Joe Biden to end his bid for re-election this year. The lifelong Democrat said supporters now "hold our breath" when Biden, 81, speaks after his car crash debate with orange manbaby Donald Trump.

★ It came as PM Sir Keir Starmer met Mr Biden and Ukraine's President Zelensky in Washington.

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MESSAGES: Judy Murray

## Murray mint on Cameo

JUDY Murray has almost doubled the price of her personal messages on Cameo to £39.

The mum of retiring former Wimbledon champ Andy used to command just £22 for them.

But she's hiked the price up just as tennis aces are battling it out in SW19.

Judy joined Cameo in 2022 and will record anything from birthday wishes to pep talks and sporting advice.

The former Strictly contestant also offers dancing tips in her intro video for the site.

And fans love them.

One said: "Absolutely spectacular. Warmth came right through the screen and felt like an old friend."

"The message was so personal. Thank you thank you thank you thank you."

Another fan said: "We'd asked for a pep talk for our seven-year-olds first tennis tournament and she was simply amazing."



ICON: Pop star

## Peppa's musical pig-out

PEPPA Pig has released a new album - produced by a Grammy winner.

The pre-school icon's latest musical offering features "eight dynamic tracks" including hit song Piggie Wiggle.

The release has been produced by Grammy winner DJ White Shadow, who is known for producing Lady Gaga's album.

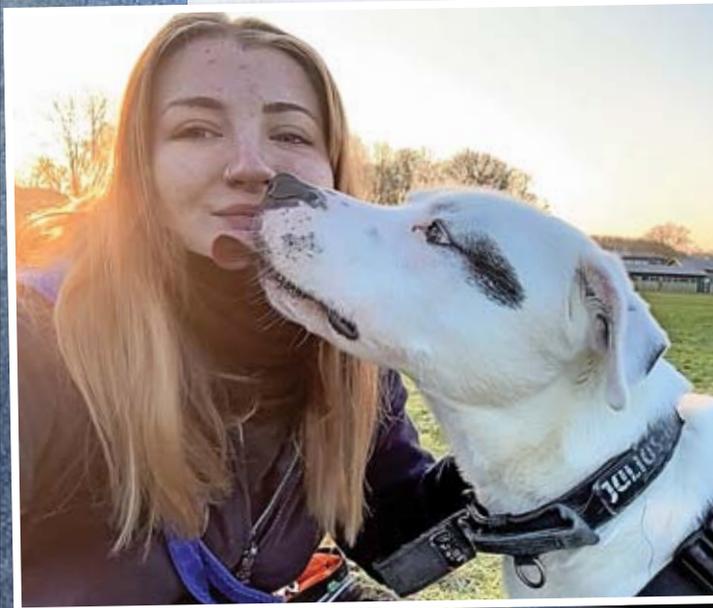
Peppa Pig maker Hasbro says the album is a tool for building confidence in youngsters.

A spokesman said that Peppa's Party: The Album "fosters an environment where children can explore their creativity, express themselves, and develop a positive sense of self".

# SMILES BETTER



★ BRITAIN'S saddest dog is finally smiling after a year of painstaking rehabilitation.  
 Ernie used to shake in terror when he was admitted to RSPCA kennels last year.  
 ★ But staff at the Mount Noddy centre, in Chichester, West Sussex, showered him with love and he is now ready for his forever home. Boss Susan Botherway said he deserves a "happy ever after moment".



Pictures: RSPCA/TRIANGLE NEWSNEWS

# We can't give up on our fur babies



Posed by models

CLOSE: Dog is one of the family

## OWNERS DODGE EUTHANASIA

THE "humanisation" of pets as "fur babies" means fewer people choose to put them down - even when it is kinder.

Owners would rather pay more for costly, complex treatment for sick pets than have them euthanised.

And TV shows about vets and pets mean more are doing whatever they can to save their animals, according to

by ISOBEL DICKINSON

research by consumer watchdog the Competition And Markets Authority.

It said: "Increased provision of more expensive, sophisticated treatments is to some extent due to the increased availability and 'humanisation' of pets.

"Vets have told us it may be driven by pressure from consumers to do as much as possible to assist their pet, particu-

larly when they have seen successful case studies on TV programmes."

But bosses fear owners are not as well informed as they might be about available treatments, with some pushed into more costly or inappropriate options.

The Royal College Of Veterinary Services' says vets must provide independent and impartial advice.

## Spoons' sales up

PUB giant JD Wetherspoon says it has had bumper sales so far this summer.

The 800-strong chain reported like-for-like sales increased by 5.8% in the 10 weeks to July 7, despite the poor weather. They rose 7.7% over the year-to-date, it was claimed.

Sir Tim Martin, who is chairman of the pub firm, said its sales hit "record levels" despite several venues being closed down.

Spoons opened two pubs but sold or surrendered the lease on 26 others.

## Weather blether..

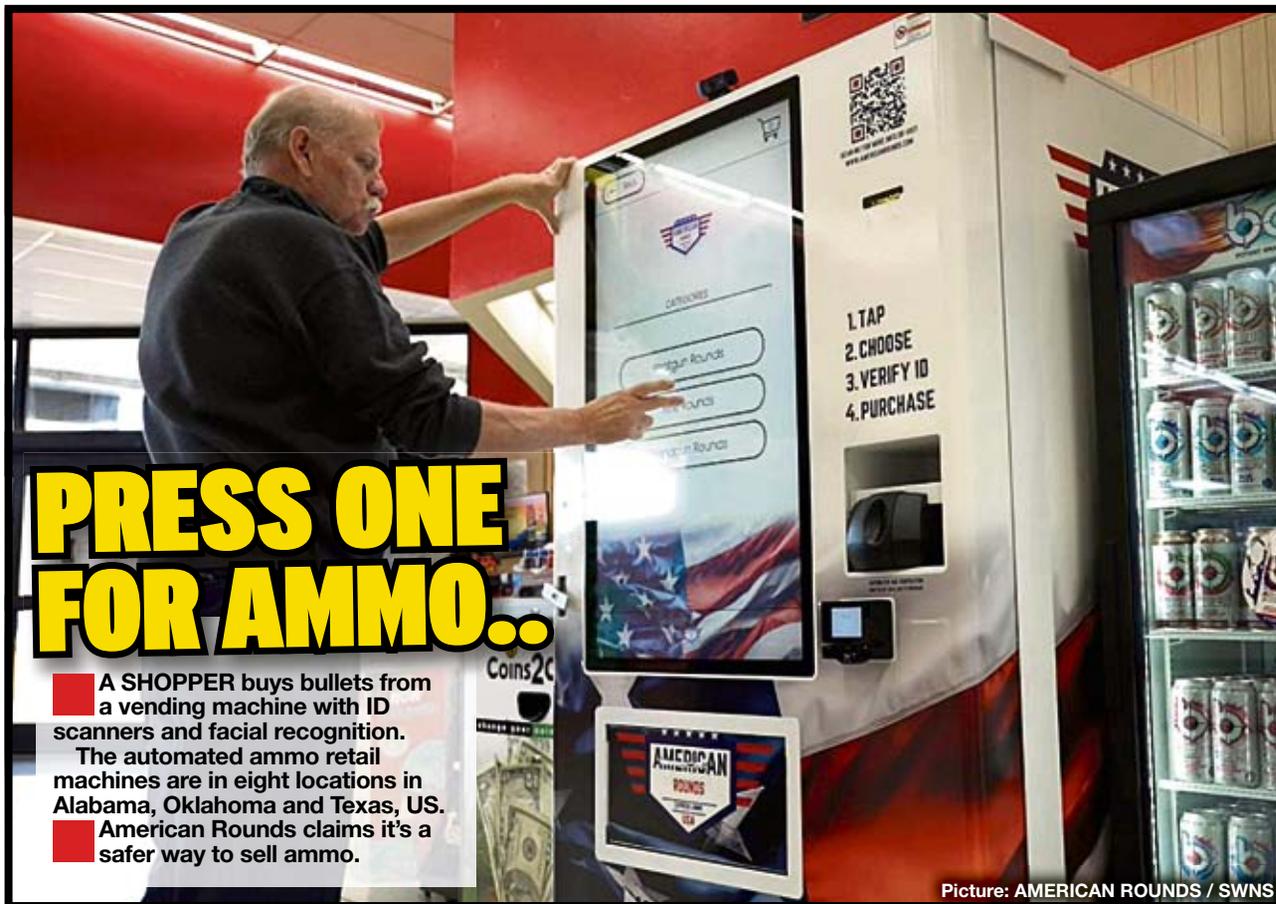
THE average adult spends the equivalent of five months of their life talking about the weather.

A poll of 2,000 people found Brits discuss the subject for an hour a week.

The survey was run by Warner Bros Pictures to celebrate its new blockbuster movie, Twisters.

One of its stars, Daisy Edgar-Jones, said: "As a Brit, I know we love to talk about the weather. But finding out we spend five months of our lives chatting about it is incredible."

# BALLS GAMES



THREADBARE: Clothes optional

## Nudie fun at flesh festival

by KATE NELSON  
NAKED revellers will rave it up in the buff at a three-day festival for folk who love to strip.

Party in the Stark will see guests play ball games, splash in the pool and dance the night away.

The Naturist Foundation event runs from July 26 to 29 at its Brocken Hurst holiday park in Kent.

Andrew Welch, from British Naturism, said: "People often ask if it is essential to be nude. That's the general idea, but no. The British weather often dictates that."

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# Kill croc shot by rangers

A CROCODILE that killed a 12-year-old girl has been shot dead.

Wildlife rangers had been trying to trap the 14ft beast since the attack last week in Mango Creek near Palumpa, Australia.

Police said tests confirmed it was the one that killed the girl.

Senior sergeant Erica Gibson said: "The events of last week have had a huge impact on the family."

The girl's death was the first fatal crocodile attack in the Northern Territory since 2018.



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# Doc No poster is £18k

A RARE poster from first ever James Bond film Dr. No is predicted to fetch at least £18,000 at auction.

It features a tuxedo-clad Sean Connery as Bond holding a handgun, and four scantily dressed Bond-girls, including Ursula Andress as Honey Rider.

The poster promoting the 1962 blockbuster has been stored in a draw by the original owner who bought it at a showing of the film in Oxfordshire.

The online sale by Heart of Gloucester Auctions ends on Sunday.

# FEATHERS WILL FLY

by JOHN WARD

★ FEATHERS fly as duelling peacocks show off their striking plumage in a scrap to decide who gets to mate with a nearby female.

Snapper Sudhir Shivaram took the photos in Ranthambhore Tiger Reserve, India.

★ He said: "Even though it's a fight, I still found it to be breathtakingly beautiful. The peacocks are at their most vibrant colours since this is the mating time, and they look very vibrant – even during a fight."



Picture: MEDIADRUIMAGES/SUDHIR SHIVARAM

# Sin City kick-off a big hit

RUGBY league fans went on a booking frenzy as it was announced Las Vegas would host its first match. Warrington Wolves and Wigan Warriors will play at the Allegiant Stadium on March 1 next year. And holiday firm On the Beach registered a 275% surge in people locking in trips to Sin City. Zoe Harris, at the firm, said: "Watching rugby league in Allegiant Stadium will be an incredible spectacle."

# Ratted out for tidying our street

# COUPLE ARE FINED £1,200

by DOMINIK LEMANSKI **JOBSWORTHS** fined a couple £1,200 after they tidied up their own litter-plagued street. Veronika Mike and Zoltan Pinter said the area outside their house has been a dumping ground, attracting rats, cats and gulls. But after they tidied the mess into a cardboard box - with just Zoltan's name on it - they were each fined £600 by the council. Veronika, 41, from Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, said: "We just wanted to clean our street and that's the thanks we get from the council. I was very angry and I cried." The council stands by the fine, which the couple are paying back monthly. Councillor Amjid Wazir, cabinet member for city pride, enforcement and sustainability, said: "This matter has been resolved and all liability discharged."



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**RUBBISH RESULT:** Zoltan and Veronika

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**TAKING OUT THE TRASH:** Mayor shows how to use a wheelie bin

# THE BLUFFER'S GUIDE TO HAIR

with PAUL DONNELLEY

TODAY marks World Fringe Day so here is some trivia about hair.

- An average human has between 100,000 and 150,000 strands of hair on their head. Blondes have more hair than non-blondes.
- A single hair strand has a thickness of .016-.05mm. The human body is covered in hair apart from palms, soles of the feet and lips.
- Hair is the body's fastest growing tissue. Bone marrow is the only thing that grows faster.
- US film star Veronica Lake was nicknamed The Girl With The Peek-A-Boo Bangs.
- Bangs are what Americans call a fringe.
- Men's hair grows faster than women's.
- Hair is made up of 50.65% carbon, 20.85% oxygen, 17.14% nitrogen, 6.36% hydrogen and 5% sulphur.
- Delilah didn't cut off Samson's hair (thus depriving him of his strength) – she paid someone to do it.
- In a lifetime, the average human will grow 590 miles worth of hair. As you read this 90% of your head hair is growing, the remaining is resting.
- By the time they reach 50, half of men will have suffered male pattern baldness.
- Stress can make dandruff worse and crash diets can cause hair to fall out.
- The musical Hair, in which the cast strip off at the end, opened in the West End at the Shaftesbury Theatre on September 27, 1968 and ran for 1,997 performances.
- The original company included Paul Nicholas, Oliver Tobias, Elaine Paige, Marsha Hunt, Floella Benjamin, Richard O'Brien and Tim Curry.
- Babies are born with about five million hair follicles, all created at five months in the womb.
- As soon as a hair follicle stops making melanin, it will never grow coloured hair again.
- Each individual hair follicle contains its own muscle, nerve and blood supply.
- The only part of hair that isn't dead is the one inside your scalp.
- In ancient Rome, women coloured their hair with pigeon droppings.
- The first hair product for men was Brylcreem, introduced in 1928. David Beckham later advertised it.
- African hair grows more slowly and is more fragile than European hair.
- The word shampoo derives from the Hindi word, champna, which means "to knead". It dates back to 1762.
- The first hair dye was invented by French chemist Eugene Schueller in 1907 and was named Aureole.
- Hairdryers were invented in the late 19th Century and the first for use in the home went on sale in 1920.



# I'M TANGRY



## BOTTY ..CELLI SHAZ

★ SHARON Stone goes topless to showcase her unusual hobby. The Hollywood icon, 66, uploaded a snap of herself painting online. She told her Instagram fans: "Sometimes I just have to go from pool to painting." But it wasn't just her artistic skills getting attention, with one fan replying: "Totally iconic!"



OFFICE RANT: Worn-out worker

## Getting a bit grumpy down to lack of kip

by ALICE HUGHES  
WEARY Brits are getting seriously "tangry".

Some 90% of us admit to getting irate due to tiredness, a study shows. Signs include overreacting over small issues, complaining and being impatient. Tangry episodes could also see folk crying at the slightest thing and swearing under their breath about everything. More than half feel grumpy and irritable due to exhaustion and 42% admitted they have no patience. Three quarters apologised for their tangry behaviour. Residents in or near Brighton and Hove were the tangriest – followed by people in Belfast and Cardiff. The research was commissioned by Bensons For Beds, which has worked with sleep expert Dr Sophie Bostock, to develop a Sleep Calm And Carry On programme to improve the nation's sleep wellness. Dr Sophie said: "A lack of sleep can alter the emotional control centres of the brain, making us more sensitive to stress and reducing self-control. This survey is a valuable reminder that many can feel like a different person when we are sleep deprived."

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## Ellen set to leave showbiz

ELLEN DeGeneres will be "done" with entertainment after her Netflix special. The former talk show host, inset, has confirmed her impending retirement after Ellen's Last Stand... Up Tour hits screens later this year and her latest stand-up stint. At a show in California, Ellen, 66, said when asked where fans can see her next: "This is the last time you're going to see me. After my Netflix special, I'm done."



# A KING'S RANSOM FOR PADDINGTON

## Pasties 'are best in world'

KING Charles is flogging Paddington Bear teddies for a whopping £275.

The special edition replicas are on sale at his Highgrove country home shop.

They stand 1ft tall and come in a gift box.

Delivery costs up to £19.95 for the UK or over £55 worldwide.

But the Paddingtons - made from goat hair - are

by **ANDY CRICK**

not for kids. The product listing reads: "Warning: This product is not a toy and is intended for collectors only."

"This level of craftsmanship ensures his durability and value, making him a worthy investment."

One shocked customer said: "It seems an awful lot for what is essentially a cuddly toy."



DEAR ME: Bear

A PASTY shop frequented by celebs has been hailed as the "best in the world".

Ye Olde Pastie Shoppe in Bolton is loved by locals and famous folk, says Taskmaster star Sophie Willan.

She told the Off Menu podcast: "It's ran by a woman called Marie"

"Every time you go in, she goes, 'Oh, Ringo Starr's daughter has been ordering pasties'."

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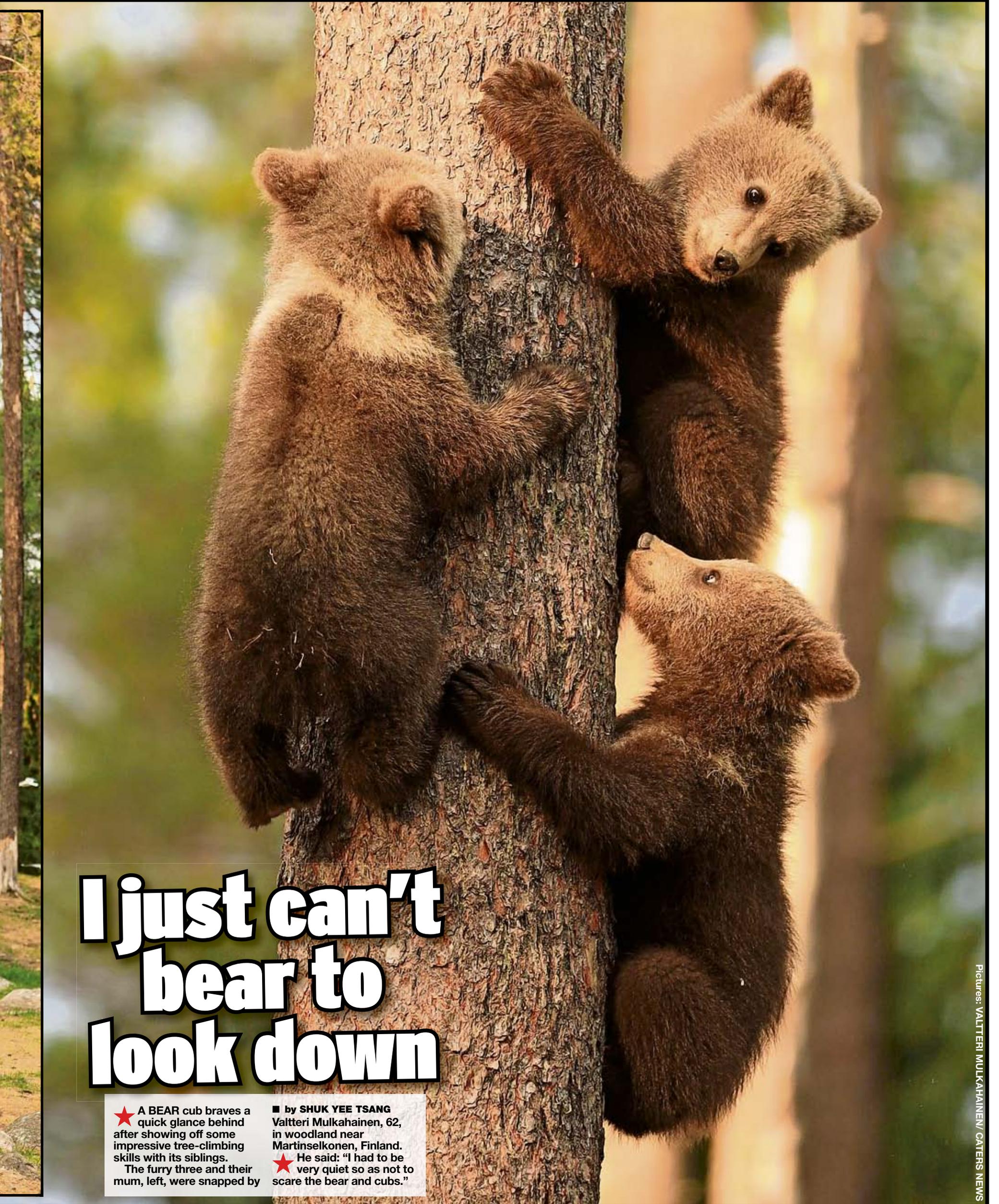
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# I just can't bear to look down

★ A BEAR cub braves a quick glance behind after showing off some impressive tree-climbing skills with its siblings. The furry three and their mum, left, were snapped by

■ by SHUK YEE TSANG Valtteri Mulkahainen, 62, in woodland near Martinselkonen, Finland. ★ He said: "I had to be very quiet so as not to scare the bear and cubs."

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# FIONA: I FEARED BBC PUSH AT 50

FIONA Bruce took out a private pension at the BBC, thinking she would not be working past 50.

The Question Time presenter, 60, spoke about the "brutal reality" of TV and said broadcasters do not often choose to leave.

Fiona revealed: "When I started I took out a private pension, and I remember thinking, 'Well, I'll never be

■ by STEVE HUGHES working past 50. No one will have me past 50. I'm astonished."

She added: "Nothing lasts forever. I've been doing Antiques Roadshow for 15 years. Maybe next run they ring the changes.

"I'll be really sad but I will totally accept it. You rarely leave at a time of your own choosing."



PENSION: Bruce

## Alert on fruit pile is nutty

HEALTH and safety bosses were called to inspect a tower of mangoes.

Greengrocer Muhammed Khalid, of Alam Food Store, was stunned when officials came to look at his "10ft high" pile of boxes.

He said: "I was surprised and thought it was a joke at first. I do build it pretty solid. I was told they might be a little too high."

No action was taken by Blackburn with Darwen Council, Lancs.



By Catherine Lamb

## Bird seed danger

I LOVE watching the birds flock to the feeder in the morning, and I'm sure many of you enjoy it too.

But what you may not know is that bird seed can be dangerous to dogs.

To ensure pets are kept safe, experts from gardenbuildingsdirect.co.uk are urging owners to be aware of the following risks...

■ Many ground and table seed mixes contain raisins and currants, which are toxic to dogs and can cause sickness, diarrhoea and acute kidney failure.

■ Mouldy seeds can also be harmful as they create toxic chemicals which can cause liver damage in animals if eaten.



■ Even uncontaminated seeds can be dangerous when consumed in large volumes, as this can lead to internal blockages and bloating.

To keep pooches safe, ensure your bird feeder is out of reach so they are unable to get to the food.

I have one that is screwed into the fence so my pups can't get to the seed, and the birds can enjoy their food in peace, without being pestered.

I also make sure to use a seed mix which does not contain any dried fruit, and I regularly collect and remove any leftovers that have fallen to the ground.



## MAKE TIME FOR A PUP CRAWL

THERE'S nothing like a walk to the pub with your pooch on a hot summer's day.

But make sure to remember your hound when you're getting a round.

Whilst dining out last month, my husband spotted some chews for dogs displayed in the bar area.

It was a really lovely touch for pooch owners - especially as our four-legged friends are often forgotten about.

The treats came in three tasty flavours and were supplied by The Canine Menu.

Nick Marsh, 34, started the business after becoming fed up at the

lack of choice when he took his dog Barney to the boozer. Nick, from Alderley Edge, Cheshire, said: "Often all that is on offer is some dirty water in an old ice cream tub and a gravy bone if they're lucky."

"It doesn't seem fair when dogs are part of the family, they should be part of the pub experience too."

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Ain't Nobody (2:25pm) aims to make it three wins from three in the July Stakes; Kevin Ryan's charge won the Windsor Castle at Royal Ascot.

The feature is the Princess Of Wales's Stakes at 3:35pm. Any more rain could aid the case for Hamish, who is an eight-time winner at Group 3 level. Giavellotto comes down in trip after landing the Yorkshire Cup for a second time in May.

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HONEST: Langsford

## Ruth in TV chat on split

RUTH Langford is to break her silence on her split with Eamonn Holmes as she returns to TV.

The star will be back on Loose Women next week after being absent from our screens since April.

A source said: "Ruth knows viewers are heavily invested in her break-up so she will be addressing her and Eamonn."

"She has always been very open and honest, and next week will be no different - she owes it to the viewers to say something."

After speaking on the show, Ruth, 64, will be "drawing a line under it".



Can you guess the year from these five clues?

1. Man Utd defeat German team Bayern Munich 2-1 in the Champions League Final.
2. Model Kelly Brook takes over as co-host of The Big Breakfast on Channel 4.
3. Eyes Wide Shut, starring Nicole Kidman and Tom Cruise, hits movie screens.
4. The Vauxhall Zafira car goes on sale for the first time.
5. British TV presenter Jill Dando is shot dead on the doorstep of her London home.

No Googling! Answer in tomorrow's paper. Yesterday's year: 2015

## Mayday on delay

AMBULANCE handover delays meant more than 32,000 patients in England may have come to harm in May, NHS chiefs warned.

The Association of Ambulance Chief Executives said delays at busy A&E departments, which also stop paramedics getting back on the road, should not be "the new norm".

# 'I'm cock a Hoops'

★ NHS worker George Critchley has landed his dream job – checking the flavours of snacks.

The 38-year-old beat hundreds of hopefuls to bag the plum gig as Aldi's Official Crisp Taster, who helps the firm's buyers.

★ George, who is from Sheffield, is so keen

■ by DOMINIK LEMANSKI on Hoops he even had crisp-themed tables at his wedding to Anna.

★ The father-of-two said: "My taste buds are ready to be put to the test in pursuit of finding the perfect crunchy snack."



# GOSSIP IS YOU CAN'T DO JOB

## But boffs say you're fab at parties!



CHAT'S YER LOT: It's 'waste of time'

GOSSIPS are seen as being less good at their jobs... but they're great at organising fun stuff.

Boffs found they were more likely to be trusted with arranging social events than to be asked for advice.

Dr Nahid Ibrahim, from the University of Leeds Business School, said: "Gossip is a valuable form of information exchange.

"It often helps people navigate the

workplace by offering information typically unavailable through formal channels.

"However, gossiping is also seen as a form of moral transgression as gossipers often share private and sensitive information about others, with or without an explicit intention to harm their reputation."

She said the fact gossip has labels such as "idle talk" and "chit chat" suggests it

is seen as a waste of time at work. Researchers presented 1,400 people with workplace scenarios about a colleague they called Alex.

In one experiment they were asked how to handle employees who got gifts from clients exceeding an allowed value and whether they'd ask Alex for advice.

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# SPOOKY TRIBUTE 25

# Witch Will Bi

IT'S 25 years on Sunday since freaky footage of students searching for a mythical witch in an eerie forest for a documentary had horror fans questioning what was real and what was acting.

The Blair Witch Project starred Heather Donahue, right, Michael C Williams and Joshua Leonard using their real names, making the question over whether they did really meet a sticky end even more puzzling. It was a movie - but there were a lot of elements that didn't come from a script.

Here, **KIM CARR** reveals 25 facts about The Blair Witch Project...

5 YEARS ON FROM RELEASE OF HORROR MOVIE

# of these facts bair your mind?



**1** The trio of actors were presented with an outline of 35 pages from writers Daniel Myrick and Eduardo Sánchez, below, which they penned in 1993 at film school, and told to improvise every word of dialogue.



**2** Instructions each day were left in milk crates in the woods, which they had to find using a GPS system.

**3** They got lost three times during filming of the movie.

**4** To bolster the project, the writers also put out a separate eight-minute fake documentary about the myth of the Blair Witch, using forged newspaper cuttings, right top, to make the tale seem real, based on a woman called Molly Dyer, who was tried for witchcraft in 1697.

**5** A website set up reporting the three actors as "missing" also got the buzz started.

**6** The actors, inset, had no idea the Blair Witch was entirely fictional until afterwards.

**7** Jaws was an inspiration to Daniel and Eduardo, who hoped the atmosphere of fearing what you don't see would put film fans on the edge of their seats.

**8** To land the part, the audition task involved being told: "You've been in jail for the last nine years. We're the parole board. Why should we let you go?" Anyone who hesitated was shown the door.

**9** Making sure the cast really appeared on the edge, they were allowed minimal food (bananas and energy bars) and little sleep.

**10** A fee of less than £1,000 for each day they worked was given to the stars, who shot the entire movie in eight days at Seneca Creek State Park in Maryland, US.

**11** As they were expected to stay in character, the stars developed the code word of "taco" when they wanted to speak as their real selves.

**12** Heather and Josh genuinely struggled to get along with each other in real life, leading to him being swapped with Mike as the first character to vanish.

**13** He was completely freaked out by the sounds of children playing in the woods - they were real kids playing outside Eduardo's mum's house.

**14** The witch is never shown but was meant to have been in a scene where art director Ricardo Mereno was dressed in a white gown, however the camera operator filmed in the wrong direction.

**15** For super creepy points, when Heather found a bundle of sticks in the woods containing human hair and teeth, they were real.

**16** The hair was from Joshua and Eduardo's dentist provided the gnashers.

**17** Shaky camera work throughout the film saw thousands of cinema-goers leave the big screens for the bogs to throw up.

**18** It's widely agreed the closing scene, with Michael facing a wall, is one of the creepiest on screen from the nineties, perhaps aided by the fact filming ended on October 31, aka Halloween, 1997, with the cast unaware they would be walking towards a house of doom.

**19** However, alternative endings were considered, including Mike being found crucified on a large stick figure and another of him seen with blood pouring from his chest.

**20** Different titles also considered were The Black Hills Project and The Blair Witch Tapes.

**21** Despite a small £17,000 budget, the success of the movie brought in nearly £200million - now that's what we call a return on investment!

**22** After finding fame, Heather decided to ditch acting to grow medical cannabis and even wrote a book about her green-fingered change called Growgirl.

**23** Probably a relief for her mum as when the film hit cinemas she was sent sympathy cards from people believing her daughter really was dead.

**24** Michael went back to working as a furniture mover alongside bit parts of acting and is now a guidance counsellor, while Joshua carried on acting - his last project was 2018 psychological horror Unsane with Claire Foy.

**25** A pair of sequels both flopped - Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2 and Blair Witch.



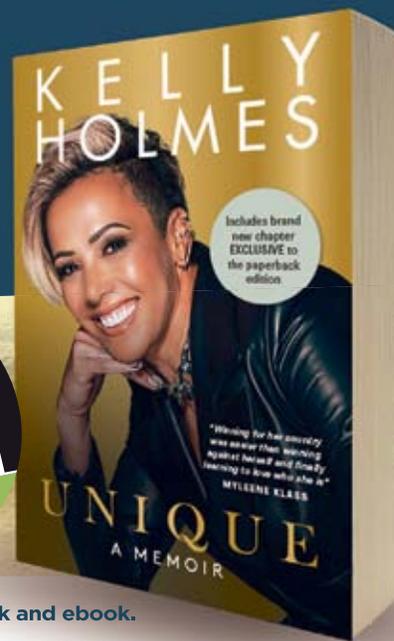
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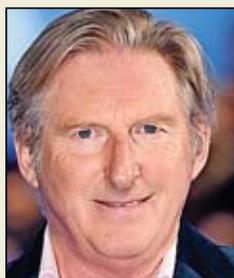
## BOFFIN: Tulleken X marks the grot

CHRIS van Tulleken is making a documentary about pandemics.

Hour-long special **Disease X**, which is for BBC Two, will investigate the ways our scientists are attempting to protect the world from future virus outbreaks.

Virologist Chris said: "The scientific consensus suggests another pandemic will happen in our lifetime and it could be even worse than what has gone before."

"This investigation into the source of the next pandemic is, therefore, imperative, and will provide a critical insight into one of the greatest threats facing humanity today."



## DUTY: Adrian Not Dun & dusted

ADRIAN Dunbar has urged **Line of Duty** boss Jed Mercurio to write a new series.

The actor is keen to reunite with co-stars Vicky McClure and Martin Compston for another run.

Speaking on **Good Morning Britain**, the Irishman said: "It'll be down to the BBC and Jed when and whether we do it. We are all up for it."

"We are keeping our fingers crossed."

"Hopefully someone will make a decision at some point and everybody will go, 'They're off again!'"



## A RUG OF MY MUG

HERE'S Danny Dyer as you've never seen him before... on a giant rug.

The crazy creation has been unveiled at his local boozer in Essex.

It's three metres high and six metres wide and took 425 hours to make.

The rug was created to celebrate Danny's

new comedy **Mr Bigstuff**, which starts on Sky Max on Wednesday.

It shows him posing as his character Lee in the telly series.

Danny was floored when he saw it. He said: "I love it! I want it! Am I a narcissist if I have it on the floor in my gaff?"



# Final episode will bring me to tears



PALS: Corden and Jones

## JAMES: SPECIAL IS EMOTIONAL

**JAMES Corden** thinks he'll break down in tears when he films the final episode of **Gavin & Stacey**.

The actor and co-creator Ruth Jones are reviving the show for one more special this Christmas and he knows he'll be emotional about playing Smithy for the final time.

He said: "I feel very emotional about it. I think there are going to be a lot of tears."

"We are going to end something that has been an incredible part of our lives, and certainly mine and Ruth's friend-

ship and everything we've gone through."

James and Ruth have penned the script for the special and filming is due to begin at the end of next month.

Stars reprising their roles include Joanna Page as Stacey, Mathew Horne as Gavin, and Rob Brydon as Uncle Bryn.

James said: "I can't wait to do it and I can't wait to share it with people. We're very, very excited to share it."

**Gavin & Stacey** has become one of the most popular comedies of all time since launching in 2007. It has won BAFTAs,

been shown around the world, spawned a chart-topping charity single and had cameos from big names including former Labour Deputy Prime Minister John Prescott.

But James insists there won't be any more after the new special airs on Christmas Day.

He said: "It'll be on and then it'll be no more. This is it."

"You'll know when you see it why it can never come back after this."

● See the full interview on **Heart Radio's YouTube channel**.

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** Gethin Jones and Michelle Ackerley present.  
**10.45 Homes Under the Hammer** Developers work alongside family members to transform run-down flats in Glasgow, London and Bournemouth.  
**11.45 Bargain Hunt** Roo Irvine presents the show from Nottinghamshire. (R)  
**12.30pm LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Coverage of day 11 of the Grand Slam tournament at the All England Club, featuring doubles action from the outside courts ahead of the ladies' singles semi-finals.  
**1.00 BBC News at One; Weather**  
**2.00 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Clare Balding presents further coverage of day 11 of the third Grand Slam tournament of the year, held at the All England Club, where the ladies' singles semi-finals take place. A number of doubles matches are also scheduled to take place.  
**6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather**  
**6.30 Regional News; Weather**

**BBC Two**

**6.25am FILM The Velvet Touch** (1948, PG) Thriller, starring Rosalind Russell. ★★★  
**8.00 Sign Zone: Gardeners' World** The team reports from the RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival. (R)  
**9.00 BBC News** Headlines.  
**12.15pm Politics Live** The latest from Westminster and beyond a week on from the election.  
**1.00 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Clare Balding presents coverage of day 11, including the opening ladies' singles semi-final. The corresponding last-four match in 2023 saw two unseeded players meet, and it was Marketa Vondrusova who belied her world ranking by comfortably prevailing 6-3, 6-3 over Elina Svitolina to reach her second Grand Slam final.  
**3.00 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Further coverage of day 11 of the Grand Slam tournament. Among the matches taking place today is the mixed doubles final, with the men's doubles semi-finals also scheduled for the afternoon.

**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.  
**12.30pm Loose Women** Celebrity interviews and topical debate.  
**1.00 ITV News; Weather**  
**1.25 Regional News; Weather**  
**1.30 LIVE ITV Racing: From Newmarket** Francesca Cumani and Ed Chamberlin present coverage of the opening day of the July Festival, including feature the 3.35 Princess of Wales's Stakes, plus races at 1.50, 2.25 and 3.00. With analysis from Adele Mulrennan and Jason Weaver. Commentary comes from Richard Hoiles.  
**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**

**Channel 4**

**6.30am Cheers** Double bill. (R)  
**7.20 Everybody Loves Raymond** Four episodes. (R)  
**9.10 Frasier** Four episodes. (R)  
**11.10 Undercover Boss USA** (R)  
**12.05pm Channel 4 News Summary** Headlines.  
**12.10 Help! We Bought a Village** (R)  
**1.10 Car S.O.S** Restoring a Japanese rally car. (R)  
**2.10 Countdown** Myleene Klass is in Dictionary Corner.  
**3.00 A Place in the Sun** (R)  
**4.00 Renovation Nation** In Lincolnshire, Lucy and Seb begin work on a bathroom in their Georgian farmhouse, while in Cornwall, Anouska and Greig try to find evidence of a smuggler's tunnel.  
**5.00 A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now?** Willie and Paul take a swing at a new idea. (R)  
**6.00 Four in a Bed** The week's final visit is to the Cross Inn in Heptonstall, Yorkshire. (R)  
**6.30 The Simpsons** Christian film producers offer the Simpsons a movie deal. (R)

**Channel 5**

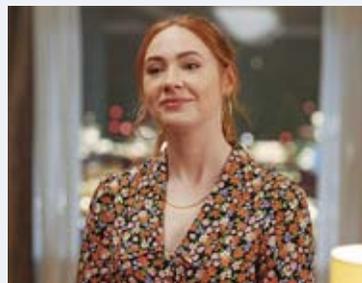
**6.00am Milkshake!** Children's TV.  
**9.15 Jeremy Vine** Discussion.  
**11.15 Storm Huntley** Debate.  
**12.45pm Friends** Double bill. (R)  
**1.40 5 News at Lunchtime**  
**1.45 Home and Away** Dana's fears are realised by the prosecution's aggressive line of questioning. (R)  
**2.20 FILM My Fatal Memory** (2022, 12) Premiere. After a car accident robs Grace of her memory, a handsome stranger enters her life, insisting that they are lovers. Thriller, starring Kate Watson. ★★★  
**4.00 Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun** Jackie has built a successful chain of tattoo studios in Benalmadena. Now she plans to expand her portfolio with tea production – but not traditional tea. (R)  
**5.00 5 News at 5** Headlines.  
**6.00 Police Interceptors** A motorist speeds through the Nottinghamshire countryside, a routine stop turns nasty and an artist is clocked doing over 100mph. (R); 5 News Update



7.30pm, **QUESTION TIME:** Fiona Bruce



10pm, **COUPLING:** Gina Bellman (centre)



9pm, **DOUGLAS IS CANCELLED:** Karen Gillan



10pm, **OUTRAGEOUS HOMES:** Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen



7pm, **HAPPY CAMPERS: THE CARAVAN PARK:** Mark (left)

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**7.00 The One Show** With Alex Jones and Roman Kemp.  
**7.30 Question Time** Fiona Bruce presents the topical debate, inviting a panel of politicians and other guests in Colchester to answer pressing questions from an invited audience.

**7.00 LIVE Wimbledon 2024** Clare Balding presents further coverage of day 11 of the third Grand Slam tournament of the year, at the All England Club. Action from the mixed doubles final and men's doubles semi-finals is scheduled to continue.

**6.30 ITV Evening News** A round-up of the headlines; Weather  
**7.30 Emmerdale** Drama from the Yorkshire Dales. Kim covers for Billy's absence, Manpreet tries to check how Charles is doing, and Gail seizes on an idea, but will it work?

**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** Down on the Cornish coast at Tencreek Holiday Park, new arrival ex-army sergeant Mark and his faithful dog have turned up for a quick birthday getaway; 5 News Update

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**8.15 EastEnders** Double bill. Stevie makes plans to leave Walford and apologises to Billy and Teddy, and Reiss' stress levels are through the roof as he receives an £18,000 bill; Phil drives a wedge between himself and everyone he loves.

**8.00 Today at Wimbledon** Qasa Alom presents highlights of the 11th day's play, including the ladies' singles semi-finals and the mixed doubles final. Last year, Ons Jabeur and Marketa Vondrusova triumphed to become the singles finalists.

**8.30 Tom Kerridge Cooks Britain** The acclaimed chef heads to Hexham in the North Pennines to see what it takes to raise the star ingredient of his Steak Diane. Later he is Lancashire-bound as he reveals tips on how to cook with tomatoes.

**8.00 The Suprvet: Noel Fitzpatrick** A toy poodle needs treatment for a damaged hip joint. Monty is so small that few vets are willing to perform such a procedure, but the family hopes Noel can help. Last in series.

**8.00 Supermarket Own-Brands: The Big Taste Test** Assorted own-brands are rivaling and sometimes beating the luxury brands out there. Here, some of the best are put through their paces in tests against the brands they competing with.

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**9.15 A Good Girl's Guide to Murder** Student Pip Fitz-Amobi investigates the disappearance of schoolgirl Andie, who was supposedly murdered by her boyfriend five years earlier. Crime drama, starring Emma Myers. (R)

**9.00 Sacred Rivers with Simon Reeve** The adventurer visits some of the world's most famous waterways and investigates how they have shaped the lives of the people living along them. He begins at the source of the Nile. (R)

**9.00 Douglas Is Cancelled** Madeline and Douglas meet up, three years after their first encounter – only this time there are explosive consequences. Comedy drama, starring Hugh Bonneville and Karen Gillan.

**9.00 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces** A couple attempt to combine an army lorry and an old caravan in order to create the ultimate off-roader. Meanwhile, a man returns to his family's farm to build a luxury cabin.

**9.00 Susan Calman's Grand Day Out** In Nottinghamshire, Susan walks in the footsteps of ice skaters Torvill and Dean, flexes her fingers at an archery contest, meets a Robin Hood enthusiast, and takes in Lord Byron's ancestral home.

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**10.00 BBC News; Weather**  
**10.30 Regional News; Weather**  
**10.40 A Good Girl's Guide to Murder** Now a team, Pip and Ravi turn their attention to Andie's best friends and find out Andie had a secret life that Sal was unhappy about. Meanwhile, Pip receives an anonymous warning. (R)

**10.00 Coupling** Jeff worries about his conversational abilities with members of the opposite sex. Steven Moffat's comedy, with Jack Davenport, Gina Bellman and Sarah Alexander. (R)  
**10.30 Newsnight** Analysis of the day's events, with Kirsty Wark.

**10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather**  
**10.30 Regional News; Weather**  
**10.45 Local Political Programmes** Discussion and analysis of the latest political developments and current affairs, featuring expert guests who explore the issues affecting the region.

**10.00 Outrageous Homes** Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen meets Jayne and Martin, who live in a medieval would-be castle in Weston-super-Mare. He also visits a house of skulls and a gentleman's lodge. Last in series.

**10.00 Truth or Dare: The Murder of Mary Gregory** With the aid of reconstructions, this documentary examines the case of a 94-year-old grandmother with dementia who died in horrendous circumstances. It led to the question – was her demise the result of an accidental fire or not? (R)

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**11.20 The Traitors US** Another player is banished, and the Faithful seem to be closing in as doubt about one Traitor spreads among even their most ardent supporters. (R)

**11.05 Today at the Test** England v West Indies. Highlights of day two of the first Test in the three-match series at Lord's. The teams had not met here in a Test match since 2017, when Ben Stokes helped the hosts to a nine-wicket win.

**11.15 FILM The Man with the Golden Gun** (1974, PG) James Bond investigates the death of a world-renowned scientist and is drawn into a battle of wits with a wily assassin. Spy adventure, with Roger Moore and Christopher Lee. ★★★

**11.05 Celebrity Gogglebox** Opinions on shows including Love Island, The Nevernets and The Yorkshire Vet. Plus, Shania Twain's performance at Glastonbury, This Morning's feature on cuddle therapy and the Biden v Trump debate. (R)

**11.30 Cold Case Killers** Factual crime documentary series. A small fleck of paint becomes a lead to finding the killer who murdered Doctor Brenda Page forty years ago. (R)

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midnight

**12.20am Match of the Day Top 10:** Moments of Euro 2020. Gary Lineker, Micah Richards and Alan Shearer count down the most memorable moments of the last European Championships. **12.50** Weather for the Week Ahead. A look ahead to the latest forecast. **12.55-6.00am** BBC News

**12.05am** Colin from Accounts. When Ashley leaves a mess in Gordon's sock drawer, she must make an impromptu trip to Costco. (R) **12.35** Sign Zone: Springwatch (R) **1.35** Sign Zone: D-Day: The Unheard Tapes (R) **2.35** Sign Zone: The Bidding Room (R) **3.20-6.15am** This Is BBC Two

**1.25am** Shop on TV **3.00** Tour de France Highlights. Gary Imlach presents action from stage 12, which followed a 203.6km route from Aurillac to Villeneuve-sur-Lot. Commentary from Ned Boulting and David Millar. **3.50** Unwind with ITV **5.05-6.00am** The Chris McCausland Show (R)

**12.05am** Gogglebox (R) **1.00** 999: On the Front Line (R) **1.55** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (R) **2.45** Super Surgeons (R) **3.35** Come Dine with Me (R) **4.25** Jamie's One-Pan Wonders (R) **4.50** Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free (R) **5.00** Frasier (R) **5.50-6.30am** Countdown (R)

**12.25am** Traffic Cops. PC Dave Shaw follows a car suspected of being used in a house burglary. (R) **1.20** PlayOJO Live Casino Show **3.20** Great British Gardens with Carol Klein: double bill (R) **4.50** Wildlife SOS (R) **5.15** House Doctor (R) **5.40** Entertainment News on 5 **5.45-6.00am** Paw Patrol (R)

**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** Wheel of Fortune **2.00** Supermarket Sweep **3.00** Charmed **4.00** Dawson's Creek **5.00** Dress to Impress. YouTuber Zac takes part.

**6.00** **Celebrity Catchphrase** With Richard Blackwood, Julia Bradbury and Roman Kemp taking part in a charity edition.

**7.00** **The Masked Singer US** The NFL and songs performed at the Super Bowl.

**8.00** **The Masked Singer US** The show takes a 2000s trip down memory lane.

**9.00** **Love Island** The contestants continue the battle to make it to the finish line.

**10.05** **Tell Me Everything** Jonny fights to win Bex back while unaware of her secret. Dylan faces a huge decision.

**11.05** **Family Guy** Animated double bill.

**12.05am** American Dad! **1.05** Don't Hate the Playaz **1.45** Shopping with Keith Lemon **2.45-3.00am** Unwind with ITV

**Dave** Freeview 19

**6.00am** Teleshopping **7.10** Whose Line Is It Anyway? USA **8.00** Border Force: America's Gatekeepers **9.00** Top Gear USA Special **10.00** Top Gear **12.00noon** Storage Hunters UK **2.00** James May's 20th Century **3.00** Top Gear **5.00** The Hairy Bikers' Asian Adventure

**6.00** **Rick Stein's Spain** The chef travels through Extremadura to Seville.

**7.00** **Would I Lie to You?** Clara Amfo, Tom Davis, Shaun Ryder and Henning Wehn join David Mitchell and Lee Mack.

**7.40** **Richard Osman's House of Games**

**9.00** **QI XL** With Sandi Toksvig, Ronni Ancona, Jack Dee and Alan Davies.

**10.00** **Have I Got a Bit More News for You** Jack Dee hosts the satirical quiz.

**11.00** **Taskmaster** Greg Davies sets more tasks for comics including Frank Skinner.

**12.00m't** Mock the Week **12.40** Would I Lie to You? **1.20** QI XL **2.30** Room 101 **3.00** Whose Line Is It Anyway? USA **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** When Scott confronts Jeremy, alarm bells start to ring.

**7.30** **Come Dine with Me Paralympics Special** Wheelchair basketball star Amy plans a night fit for historical heroes.

**8.00** **Dance Moms** Recalling the worst to the best performances. Last in series.

**9.00** **Gogglebox** Shows from late 2021.

**10.00** **Naked Attraction** Singletons from London and Liverpool take part.

**11.05** **First Dates** A helicopter pilot goes on his first date in women's clothing.

**12.05am** The Big Bang Theory **1.05** Rick and Morty **1.35** Smiling Friends **2.05** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **2.55** Dance Moms **3.45-5.00am** Modern Family

**Variations & S4C**

**WALES** As BBC1 except: **1.35-1.45pm** BBC Wales Today; Weather **6.30-7.00** BBC Wales Today; Weather **10.30** BBC Wales Today; Weather **10.40** Rewind: 60 Years of Welsh Pop **11.10** A Good Girl's Guide to Murder. Pip and Ravi turn their attention to Andie's best friends. **11.50pm-12.50am** The Traitors US. The prize pot is in sight as another player is banished.

**MERIDIAN** As ITV1 except: **1.25-1.30pm** ITV News Meridian **6.00-6.30** ITV News Meridian **10.30-10.45pm** ITV News Meridian

**CENTRAL** As ITV1 except: **1.25-1.30pm** ITV News Central **6.00-6.30** ITV News Central **10.30-10.45pm** ITV News Central

**ITV WALES** As ITV1 except: **1.25-1.30pm** ITV News Cymru Wales **6.00-6.30** ITV News Wales **8.30-9.00** Wales This Week: Election 2024, What It All Means. What the results mean for the people of Wales. **10.30** ITV News Cymru Wales **10.45-11.15pm** Tom Kerridge Cooks Britain

**WEST** As ITV1 except: **1.25-1.30pm** ITV News West Country. A round-up of the latest headlines. **6.00-6.30** ITV News West Country **10.30-10.45pm** ITV News West Country

**Telly movies**

**THE LODGE** ★★★ (2019), Film4, **10.50pm** Riley Keough plays Grace, the new fiancée of Richard (Richard Armitage), who is in the middle of difficult divorce. Keen for her to meet his children, Aidan (Jaeden Martell), and Mia (Lia McHugh), Richard takes them all away for a weekend in a remote cabin. However, when he is suddenly called home, Grace and the kids are left snowed in, and strange and frightening events begin to unfold.

**THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN** ★★★ (1974), ITV1, **11.15pm** 007 (Roger Moore) is sent after wily assassin Francisco Scaramanga, dodging death at every turn as he chases him to a secret island lair. Christopher Lee turns out to be one of the best Bond villains. Trivia fans may note that Alice Cooper recorded a title song for the soundtrack but filmmakers used one by Lulu instead. With Britt Ekland and Maud Adams.

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



They're doing another of those taste tests tonight on Channel 5. Seriously, there's no stopping these people.

**They're obsessed.** This time, in the latest episode of what's currently billed as **SUPERMARKET OWN-BRANDS: THE BIG TASTE TEST** (8pm) — but which may well be called something entirely different by the time it goes out, given how Channel 5 love changing their programme titles

mid-run for no apparent reason — they're weighing up rival products in the "luxury" category.

By which I mean champagne, beauty nonsense, posh perfume, poncy chocolate, Wagyu beef and extra virgin olive oil.

As before, the testers are being asked to blind-test a range of such items and decide if the low-cost "dupes" can compete with, even improve on, their big-brand rivals.

Much of this product testing, it turns out, is being carried out in conjunction with something called "Witch magazine", so I'm surprised they haven't road-tested rival broomsticks and

pointy hats. Maybe they're saving that for next week.

Meanwhile, over on ITV1, Tom Kerridge suffers a breakdown in **TOM KERRIDGE COOKS BRITAIN** (8.30pm), but no need to send him a get well card, because it's his "trusty" Fifties food truck that actually conks out.

Luckily, it doesn't stop him continuing this minor food odyssey he's undertaken, where he plans to drive the length and breadth of the nation.

To get his food truck to its next port of call, Tom arranges to have it put on the back of, yep, a truck. The bloke is a genius.

Follow Mike on Twitter @mikewardontv

**GB News** F'view 236

**6.00am** Breakfast with Stephen and Ellie **9.30** Britain's Newsroom **12.00noon** Good Afternoon Britain **3.00** Martin Daubney. Updates.

**6.00** **Dewbs & Co** Plain-speaking, straight-talking — Michelle Dewberry delivers her take on the day's news.

**7.00** **GB News Tonight** We explore the issues that matter to Britain with big political interviews and debates.

**8.00** **Jacob Rees-Mogg's State Of The Nation** Join Jacob for his unique and unmissable take on the news.

**9.00** **Patrick Christys Tonight**

**11.00** **Headliners** An all-star comedy cast takes an insightful look at tomorrow's headlines. With hosts Simon Evans and Dominic Frisby.

**12.00m't** GB News Tonight **1.00** Jacob Rees-Mogg's State Of The Nation Replay **2.00** Headliners Replay **3.00** Patrick Christys Tonight Replay **5.00-6.00am** Headliners Replay

**More4** Freeview 18

**8.55am** Food Unwrapped **9.30** 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 **3.10** Four in a Bed: five episodes **5.50** Chateau DIY

**6.55** **Car S.O.S** Car enthusiast Tim and master mechanic Fuzz take on a 1934 Singer Le Mans two-seater sports car, which had its last outing in 1998.

**7.55** **Grand Designs** Kevin McCloud returns to Gloucestershire to see the progress made by Jon and Noreen who set out in 2013 to build a three-bed treehouse on a budget of £250,000.

**9.00** **Perfect Pub Walks with Bill Bailey** Bill and Paul Merton walk the South West Coast Path on Dorset's Jurassic Coast.

**10.00** **24 Hours in A&E** Double bill. An 83-year-old is brought in after falling off his roof; a 12-year-old is airlifted in.

**12.05am** 999: On the Front Line. Medical documentary. **1.10** 24 Hours in A&E **3.20-3.50am** Food Unwrapped

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# Sport

## SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT

**6.00am** SSN Euro Report **7.00** Good Morning Euros  
**8.30** **LIVE DP World Tour Golf** The Genesis Scottish Open. Coverage of the featured groups on day one of the Rolex Series event, held at Renaissance Club in North Berwick.  
**10.15** **LIVE Test Cricket** England v West Indies. Coverage of day two of the first Test in the three-match series, held at Lord's.  
**6.30pm** **LIVE Women's International T20 Cricket** England v New Zealand. Coverage of the third match of the five-game series, held at The Spitfire Ground in St Lawrence, Canterbury.  
**10.00** **LIVE PGA Tour Golf** The ISCO Championship. Coverage of day one from Keene Trace Golf Club in Nicholasville, Kentucky.  
**12.30-6.00am** SSN Euro Report. Latest updates.

## SKY SPORTS CRICKET

**6.00am** Secrets of Success: Sir Dave Brailsford **7.00** Test Cricket **8.00** Test Cricket Bitesize **8.15** My Icon **8.30** Test Cricket **9.30** Red For Ruth Day **9.45** Jimmy Anderson's Greatest Spells **10.00** Test Cricket Bitesize  
**10.15** **LIVE Test Cricket** England v West Indies. Coverage of day two of the First Test in the three-match series, held at Lord's. The teams have not met here in a Test match since 2017, when an excellent all-round display from current captain Ben Stokes in the first innings, which saw him score 60 runs and take six wickets, helped the hosts to a nine-wicket triumph.  
**6.30pm** **LIVE Women's International T20 Cricket** England v New Zealand. Coverage of the third match of the five-game series, held at The Spitfire Ground in St Lawrence, Canterbury.  
**10.00** Test Cricket **11.00** Test Cricket Bitesize **11.15** Best of England v Windies **11.40** Stuart Broad - My Greatest Spells **12.00m't** Test Cricket **1.00** Women's International T20 Cricket **4.45** Test Cricket Bitesize **5.00** Best of England v Windies **5.50-6.00am** Best of the Women's World T20

## SKY SPORTS FOOTBALL

**6.00am** EFL Cup Retro **8.00** SPFL Special: Celtic's Invincibles **9.00** EFL Greatest Games **10.00** EFL **10.30** Jimmy Glass: The Great Escape **11.00** SPFL **12.00noon** Bundesliga Highlights Show **1.00** WSL **1.30** Women's Championship Show **2.00** Scottish Premiership Round-Up **2.30** EFL Highlights **3.30** EFL **4.30** EFL Highlights **5.30** EFL Greatest Games  
**6.00** Bundesliga **6.30** Bundesliga Highlights Show **7.30** WSL **8.00** WSL **8.30** SPFL Highlights **9.00** EFL **10.00** EFL **11.00** EFL **12.00m't** There's Only One Saeuzee **12.30** SPFL **2.00-6.00am** SPFL Greatest Games

## TNT SPORTS 1

**6.00am** AFL **8.00** Ultimate Pool **9.30** Major League Cricket Highlights **11.30** World Championship of Legends Cricket **1.30pm** International Rugby Union **3.00** Premier League Stories **3.30** Irish Rally Review **4.30** MLB Highlights **5.30** MLB: Off the Bat  
**6.00** **LIVE** MLB Detroit Tigers v Cleveland Guardians (Start time 6.10pm). Coverage of the American League match from Comerica Park.  
**9.15** TNT Sports Reload **9.30** Born Racers. Rico's story involves ice racing in Finland, while Ruche tries to step out of his father's shadow.  
**10.30** TNT Sports Reload **10.45** V8 Supercars Highlights **11.45** V8 Supercars Highlights  
**12.45am** Major League Cricket Highlights  
**1.15** **LIVE** Major League Cricket Washington Freedom v Seattle Orcas. Coverage of the T20 match from Grand Prairie Stadium, Texas.  
**5.15** MotoGP Rewind **5.30-6.00am** What I Wore

## TNT SPORTS 2

**6.00am** Badminton **8.00** Women's T20 International Cricket **9.00** WSL Championship Tour **10.00** WSL: Inside Pro Surfing **11.00** WNBA **1.00pm** MLB Highlights **2.00** Ultimate Pool **3.30** MotoGP Rewind **3.45** World Championship of Legends Cricket **9.45** What I Wore **10.00** UFC: The Ultimate Fighter **11.00** WSL Championship Tour **12.00m't** WSL: Inside Pro Surfing **1.00** Fishing: On the Bank **2.00** Born Racers **3.00** AFL **5.00-6.00am** UEFA Champions League - Stories of the Finals

## EUROSPORT 1

**6.00am** Tour de France - The Breakaway **6.30** Hall of Fame - Beijing 2008 **7.30** Tennis: Wimbledon **9.00** Olympic Games: The Power of the Olympics **9.30** Cycling: Tour de France **10.30** Tour de France - The Breakaway  
**11.00** **LIVE** Cycling: Tour de France Coverage of stage 12, from Aurillac to Villeneuve-sur-Lot.  
**5.00pm** Cycling: Women's Giro d'Italia **6.00** Climbing World Cup **7.00** Cycling: Desafio China by La Vuelta **8.00** Cycling: Tour de France **9.00** Tour de France - The Breakaway **9.30** Cycling: Women's Giro d'Italia **10.30** Olympic Games: The Power of the Olympics **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

## BEST OF THE REST - LIVE SPORT

**7.30-10.15pm** **LIVE** Betfred Super League Warrington Wolves v Leeds Rhinos (kick-off 8.00pm). (Sky Sports Action)

# Entertainment & Factual

## BBC THREE Freeview 23

**7.00pm** Top Gear **8.00** Top Gear **9.00** **FILM** Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials (2015/12) Sci-fi sequel. **★★★** **11.05** Man Like Mobeen **11.50** Paddy & Molly: Show No Mersey **12.50am** Top Gear **1.50** Man Like Mobeen **2.35-3.55am** A Good Girl's Guide to Murder

## BBC FOUR Freeview 9

**7.00pm** Today at the Test. England v West Indies. **8.00** Killer Storms and Cruel Winters: The History of Extreme Weather - Timewatch **9.00** **FILM** The Woman in Black (2012/12) Horror, starring Daniel Radcliffe. **★★★** **10.30** Mark Kermode's Secrets of Cinema: Horror **11.30** Talking Books **11.55** The Sky at Night **12.25am** Killer Storms and Cruel Winters: The History of Extreme Weather - Timewatch **1.25** Full Circle with Michael Palin **2.15-3.15am** Sleuths, Spies & Sorcerers: Andrew Marr's Paperback Heroes

## 5USA Freeview 21

**9.00am** NCIS **9.55** Entertainment News on 5 **10.00** NCIS **12.00noon** Law & Order **2.55** Entertainment News on 5 **3.00** Law & Order **6.00** NCIS **9.00** Blue Bloods **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **1.55am** Law & Order **3.00** The Blacklist **3.50-4.00am** Entertainment News on 5

## ITV3 Freeview 10

**6.00am** Classic Emmerdale **7.35** Classic Coronation Street **8.05** Agatha Christie's Poirot **10.30** The Royal **11.35** Heartbeat **1.40pm** Classic Emmerdale **3.15** Classic Coronation Street **3.50** Inspector Morse **6.00** Heartbeat **8.00** Vera. The detective investigates a suspicious suicide in an army barracks. **10.00** Trigger Point **11.55** The Royal **12.45-2.30am** Upstairs, Downstairs

## ITV4 Freeview 26

**6.00am** The Derby Through the Years **6.15** Minder **7.20** The Professionals **8.20** Dempsey and Makepeace **9.25** Magnum, PI **10.25** Kojak **11.30** Made in Britain **12.00noon** BattleBots **1.00** Tour de France Highlights **2.00** **LIVE** Tour de France. Coverage of stage 12. **5.00** Great Racehorses **5.25** Mr Bean **5.55** BattleBots **7.00** Tour de France Highlights **8.00** **FILM** Jaws: The Revenge (1987/15) **★★** **9.50** **FILM** Rocky II (1979/12) Boxing sequel. **★★★** **12.10am** The Professionals **1.10** Minder **2.05** Auto Mundial **2.35-3.00am** Motorsport Mundial

## REALLY Freeview 17

**6.00am** Fantasy Homes by the Sea **7.00** Cruise TV with LoveitBookit **8.00** Salvage Hunters **11.00** The Edinburgh Auction House **1.00pm** Money for Nothing **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Antiques Road Trip **5.00** The 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 **2.00-4.00am** Teleshopping

## SKY ARTS Freeview 36

**6.00am** Andre Rieu & the Dutch Royal Family **8.00** The Joy of Painting **9.00** Tales of the Unexpected **10.00** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **11.00** Discovering: John Travolta



**Live DP World Tour Golf Sky Sports Main Event, 8.30am**  
 The Genesis Scottish Open tees off at Renaissance Club in North Berwick. Rory McIlroy won last year as he finished one shot clear of Scotland's Robert MacIntyre (left).

**12.00noon** The Joy of Painting **1.00** Tales of the Unexpected **2.00** The South Bank Show Originals **3.00** Hepworth **4.00** Discovering **5.00** The Joy of Painting **6.00** Tales of the Unexpected **7.00** Battle of the Bagpipes **8.00** The Directors **9.00** Discovering: Tom Cruise **10.00** Sherlock Holmes vs Arthur Conan Doyle **11.00** Comedy Legends **12.00m't** The Pilgrimage of Gilbert & George **2.00** **FILM** Burning Man: Art on Fire (2020/15) **★★★** **3.15-3.45am** Auction

## GOLD

**7.10am** The Fosters **8.05** The Green Grass **9.20** My Hero **10.00** Are You Being Served? **10.40** Still Open All Hours **11.20** Last of the Summer Wine **12.40pm** The Green Grass **1.20** My Hero **2.00** Still Open All Hours **2.40** Dad's Army **3.20** Are You Being Served? **4.00** Last of the Summer Wine **5.20** Still Open All Hours **6.00** The Green Grass **6.40** Dad's Army **8.00** The Thin Blue Line **8.40** The Vicar of Dibley **9.20** Harry Enfield and Chums **10.00** Paul Whitehouse's Sketch Show Years **10.40** The Fast Show **11.20pm-1.20am** The Fast Show: Just a Load of Blooming Catchphrases

## YESTERDAY Freeview 27

**6.10am** Secrets of the Transport Museum **8.00** Abandoned Engineering **10.00** The World at War **11.00** Secret Nazi Bases **12.00noon** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **1.00** Antiques Roadshow **2.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **4.00** The Buildings That Fought Hitler **5.00** Secret Nazi Bases **6.00** Antiques Roadshow **7.00** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **8.00** Bangers & Cash **9.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **11.00** Abandoned Engineering **12.00m't** Great British Railway Journeys **1.00-3.00am** Secrets of the Transport Museum

## ALIBI

**7.15am** Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries **10.00** Elementary **11.00** Hudson & Rex **12.00noon** Father Brown **1.00** Death in Paradise **2.00** Murdoch Mysteries **4.00** Elementary **5.00** Father Brown **6.00** Hudson & Rex **7.00** Elementary **8.00** Father Brown **9.00** **NEW** So Help Me Todd **10.00** Death in Paradise **11.00** Elementary **12.00m't** CSI: Vegas **12.55** Murdoch Mysteries **2.50-4.00am** The Gulf

## 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

# Radio

## BBC RADIO 1

**97.6-99.8MHz** **6.57am** Newsbeat **7.00** Greg James **11.00** Rickie, Melvin and Charlie **12.45pm** Newsbeat **1.00** Matt and Mollie **3.00** Pop Anthems **3.30** Newsbeat **3.32** Going Home with Vick, Katie and Jamie **5.45** Newsbeat **6.00** New Music Show with Jack Saunders **8.00** Rave-Up with Arielle Free **10.00** BBC Introducing Dance **11.00** Radio 1's Residency **1.00am** Radio 1 Dance Presents **2.00** Radio 1 Happy **3.00** Radio 1's Chillout Anthems **4.00** Radio 1 Dance **5.00-6.57am** Sam and Danni

## BBC RADIO 2

**88-91MHz** **6.30am** The Zoe Ball Breakfast Show **9.30** Vernon Kay **12.00noon** Tina Daheley **2.00** Scott Mills **4.00** OJ Borg **6.30** OJ Borg's Half Wower **7.00** Jo Whaley's Shiny Happy Playlist **7.30** Jo Whaley **9.00** The Country Show with Bob Harris **10.00** Trevor Nelson's Magnificent 7 **10.30** Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation **12.00m't** The Reverend Kate Bottley **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 **9.30** Essential Classics **1.00pm** Classical Live **4.00** Composer of the Week: Thomas Linley Jr **5.00** In Tune **7.00** Classical Mixtape **7.30** Radio 3 in Concert **9.45** The Essay: Michael Longley's Life of Poetry **10.00** Night Tracks **11.30** 'Round Midnight. Jazz. **12.30-6.30am** Through the Night

## CHOICE

**Ramblings Radio 4, 3pm**  
 In the second of two episodes recorded in the Republic of Ireland, Clare Balding meets walking guide Iain Miller to explore a stretch of the wild Atlantic coastline of Co Donegal. Iain, who moved over from Scotland, runs a business involving rock climbing, hillwalking and other outdoor pursuits.

## BBC RADIO 4

**FM 92.4-94.6MHz** **6.00am** Today **9.00** Reflections **9.30** The Long History of Ignorance - from Confucius to Q-Anon **10.00** Woman's Hour **11.00** The Infinite Monkey Cage **11.45** Book of the Week: The Third Information Crisis **12.00noon** News **12.04** The Bottom Line **12.32** Sliced Bread **12.57** Weather **1.00** The World at One **1.45** Ten Second Showdown **2.00** The Archers **2.15** Drama: Faith, Hope and Glory **3.00** Ramblings **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 **7.00** The Archers **7.15** Front Row **8.00** The Media Show **9.00** Loose Ends **9.45** Empire of Tea **10.00** The World Tonight **10.45** Book at Bedtime: Glorious Exploits **11.00** The Today Podcast **11.30** Three Million **12.00m't** News **12.30** Book of the Week: The Third Information Crisis **12.48** Shipping Forecast

**1.00** MacGyver **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00** S.W.A.T **5.00** SEAL Team **6.00** Stargate SG-1 **8.00** The 90s: Cinema's Greatest Decade **9.00** The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live **10.00** The Walking Dead **11.00** Last King of the Cross **12.00m't** Entourage **1.00** Brit Cops: War on Crime **2.00** Road Wars **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00** S.W.A.T **5.00-6.00am** Highway Patrol

## SKY ATLANTIC

**6.00am** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets **7.55** Six Feet Under **10.05** Gomorrah **12.15pm** Game of Thrones **1.20** The Sopranos **3.30** Six Feet Under **5.40** Gomorrah **7.55** Game of Thrones **9.00** House of the Dragon **10.05** Succession **11.15** Winning Time: The Rise of the Lakers Dynasty **12.25am** Watchmen **1.30** The Leftovers **2.50-4.00am** Game of Thrones

## SKY WITNESS

**7.00am** 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** Chicago Fire **2.00** FBI: Most Wanted **3.00** Customs UK **4.00** Nothing to Declare **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** The Rookie **10.00** The Good Doctor **11.00** Chicago Fire **12.00m't** For Life **1.00** FBI: Most Wanted **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 **10.30** Vice Principals **11.40** Ballers **12.50pm** Eastbound & Down **2.10** 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** And Just Like That **10.40** The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon **11.40** Sex and the City **12.55am** Girls **2.05** Hello Ladies **3.50-5.00am** Eastbound & Down

## DISCOVERY

**6.00am** How It's Made **7.00** Deadliest Catch **8.00** Blowing Up History **9.00** How the Universe Works **10.00** Iron Resurrection **11.00** Wheeler Dealers: Dream Car **1.00pm** Treehouse Masters **3.00** Mystery at Blind Frog Ranch **4.00** Flying Wild Alaska **5.00** Salvage Hunters **6.00** Iron Resurrection **7.00** Kindig Customs **8.00** Bad Chad Customs **9.00** The World's Biggest Drug Lord: Tse Chi Lop **10.00** Naked and Afraid XL **12.00m't** Mystery at Blind Frog Ranch **1.00** The World's Biggest Drug Lord: Tse Chi Lop **2.00-4.00am** Naked and Afraid XL

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

**8.00am** Food Factory USA **9.00** Air Crash Investigation **10.00** WW2: Hell under the Sea **11.00** Nazi Megastructures **12.00noon** Car S.O.S **1.00** Drain the Oceans: Secrets of the Spanish Armada **2.00** Air Crash Investigation **3.00** Hitler's Last Stand **4.00** Lost Treasures of Egypt **5.00** Car S.O.S **6.00** Seconds from Disaster **7.00** Air Crash Investigation **8.00** Europe from Above **9.00** Wicked Tuna **10.00** **NEW** Alaska: The Next Generation **11.00** Air Crash Investigation **12.00m't** Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted **1.00** Trafficked: Underworlds with Mariana Van Zeller **2.00** Lords of War **2.30** Abandoned **3.20-4.10am** Food Factory

## BBC RADIO WALES

**FM: 94.6MHz** **6.00am** News Update **6.05** Wake up with Radio Wales **6.30** Country Focus **7.00** Radio Wales Breakfast **9.00** Wynne Evans **12.00noon** The Phone In **2.00** Michela Chiappa **5.00** Radio Wales Drive **6.30** Beena and Amrit **7.00** Aleighcia Scott **10.00** Eleri Sion **12.00m't** Relax with Radio Wales **1.00-6.00am** As Radio 5 Live

## CLASSIC FM

**100-102MHz** **6.30am** Classic FM Breakfast with Dan Walker **9.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame Hour with Dan Walker **10.00** Aled Jones **1.00pm** Anne-Marie Minhall **4.00** Margherita Taylor **7.00** Relaxing Evenings **10.00** Calm Classics **1.00am** Bill Overton **4.00-6.30am** Early Breakfast

## ABSOLUTE RADIO

**DAB 6.00am** Ben Burrell **10.00** Leona Graham **1.00pm** Jay Lawrence. Pop and rock tracks. **4.00** Bush **7.00** Danielle Perry **10.00** Emil Franchi **1.00-6.00am** Dan Noble

# Movies

## FILM4

**11.00am** **Comanche Station** (1960/PG) Western, starring Randolph Scott. **★★★★**  
**12.35pm** **The Iron Petticoat** (1956/U) Comedy, with Bob Hope, Katharine Hepburn and James Robertson Justice. **★★★★**  
**2.25** **The Ten Commandments** (1956/U) Cecil B DeMille's biblical epic, starring Charlton Heston and Yul Brynner. **★★★★**  
**6.45** **GI Joe: The Rise of Cobra** (2009/12) Adventure, starring Channing Tatum. **★★★**  
**9.00** **A Quiet Place Part II** (2020/15) Horror sequel, starring Emily Blunt. **★★★★**  
**10.50** **The Lodge** (2019/15) Premiere. A woman is left snowed in with her fiancée's children at a remote holiday village, and strange and frightening events begin to unfold. Horror with Riley Keough. **★★★**  
**1.00-3.50am** **Mother!** (2017/18) Thriller, starring Jennifer Lawrence, Javier Bardem, Ed Harris and Michelle Pfeiffer. **★★★★**

## SKY CINEMA PREMIERE

**7.15am** **Manodrome** (2023/15) See 1.40am for details. **★★★**  
**8.55** **Ruthless** (2023/15) Action thriller, starring Dermot Mulroney and Jeff Fahey. **★★★★**  
**10.35** **The Great Escaper** (2023/12) See 6.15pm for details. **★★★★**  
**12.15pm** **Anyone But You** (2023/15) See 8.00pm for details. **★★★★**  
**2.15** **LaRoy, Texas** (2023/15) See 10.00pm for details. **★★★**  
**4.15** **A Sacrifice** (2024/15) Drama, with Eric Bana, Sylvia Hoeks and Sadie Sink. **★★★**  
**6.15** **The Great Escaper** (2023/12) Drama, starring Michael Caine. **★★★★**  
**8.00** **Anyone But You** (2023/15) Director Will Gluck's romantic comedy, starring Sydney Sweeney and Glen Powell. **★★★★**  
**10.00** **LaRoy, Texas** (2023/15) Comedy crime caper, starring Steve Zahn. **★★★**  
**11.55** **Eileen** (2023/15) Thriller, with Thomasin McKenzie and Anne Hathaway. **★★★**  
**1.40am** **Manodrome** (2023/15) Thriller, with Jesse Eisenberg and Adrien Brody. **★★★**  
**3.20** **American Star** (2024/15) Thriller, starring Ian McShane and Nora Arnezeder. **★★★**  
**5.10-7.00am** **A Sacrifice** (2024/15) See 4.15pm for details. **★★★**

## SKY CINEMA DRAMA

**4.25pm** **What If** (2013/15) Drama, starring Daniel Radcliffe and Zoe Kazan. **★★★★**  
**6.15** **Quartet</**

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I'LL BE DARNED: Posh Spice

## Victoria's put her foot in it selling £150 socks

Just goes to show how out of touch some people are, Mrs Beckham selling pairs of socks for £150. Thats a week's shop for some people. **D TURPIN**

How many more years are we going to have to suffer the torturousley boring commentators on the Beeb from Wimbledon. Claire Balding's so ill prepared all she does is gushingly praise all and sundry. She's in with the bricks, no matter how rotten she is. Tim Henman's as boring off the court as he was on it. Andrew Castle, couldn't do it on the court, and is just as bad in the booth. As for McEnroe, as big a mouth he had in his heyday, he's pathetically bland at summarising. Dont get me started as to why we have to suffer this annual snobfest on both channels, the red button, and almost every radio station you can think off.. it's rubbish. **Mark Dougall**

why isn't gabby Logan on the tennis coverage??? Because she's on every bloody thing else. **ratboy Cumbria**

The reason people don't like Djokovic is because he is ARROGANT and SARCASTIC. Hence the booing and his GOOOODNIGHT. **HAZ**

I don't believe it's hatred they feel for Novac? Jeez he's won it 7 times! He's cocky and arrogant and implored/motioned with both arms to the crowd on four sides to admire him like the crowd showed to Ex champs. Don't snivel Novak EARN IT!!! **B. Taylor**

Peter Andre worried that people will think he's boring if he doesn't drink alcohol and Ben Shepherd moaning about bags under his eyes. On the grand scale of everything that's going on in the world, do they think anybody gives a s\*\*\*. **CP**

Could you please print a picture of the delightful Carol Kirkwood as she is one of the prettiest woman on the telly?  
**Grant Hately**



# Nick elites who rip off taxpayers

There has got to be a law made that any monies lost by fraud or deals like the Rwanda deal, the government who are in power and responsible must be made to pay all the monies back out of their own bank account, this would stop governments using money as if they were spending monopoly money, something has to be done to stop this criminal action. **mettyesh Durham**

Thames water billions in Deb BUT paid out billions to shareholders (who are mainly the people at top off Thames water as get options every year to take shares instead of Money which will b taxed). Now if labour want to start off right and back up their for working class they will take it back now and tell everyone of them share-holders u gotta pay back your last 15 years dividends and u get nothing for your shares but afraid birds off a feather stick together never gonna happen we the poor will have higher bills end off story. **EAST LONDON SPURSI**

Just when you think our country couldn't get more crazy up pops King Charlie severing links with the Royal Pigeon Racing Association and the National Flying Club. According to the Founder of the Nut Case Brigade Peta Animal rights group Ingrid NewKirk it's a blood sport. And King Charlie agrees but of course Horse racing at Royal Ascot ect is perfectly fine. His late mum Queen Elizabeth who held two patronages to Pigeon Racing and flying would be ashamed of him. Stick to what your good at King Charlie, talking to plants. **TOD**

WW3 can be avoided by diplomacy Kier Starmer can take the stage in peace talks and not be Bidens lap dog like Tony Blair was with Bush. **Jimi Peters DISS**

When will Rachel Reeves get it, you cannot build thousands more houses without building new sewage treatment plants or the rivers and sea will be one large sewer. **Stockton jeff**

So, our leader has appointed porn video buying at the tax payers expense Jacque Smith to the House of Lords. Not much change so far Kier! **Surprised, Doncaster**

The meeting of the new parliament saw deserved re election for LYNDSEY HOYLE as speaker. The MP for Chorley received all party congratulations. I know he is a capable man for anyone owning a much loved mischievous African Grey Parrot like me too who can recapture its escape on the Kings cross / Chorley train is more than a match for MP / Party leaders. Hilarious / relieved. **Brian Linford**

so Russia blasts a Ukrainian children's hospital so where are the marches for the Ukrainian children and people? **jellyhead**

NATO must let Ukraine join them, especially after Ukraine agreed to get rid of their Nuclear arsenal, through the Budapest or Bucharest agreement. I forget the latters finer details, but the fact is Ukraine complied, and the West should be doing more. They owe it to them. **Harry John. Linton, Cams**

Why does the Ukrainian president never wear a suit or shirt and tie? He looks like an out of work navy. **Anon**

Democratic headquarters, or as it is now known as a care home for OAP's. **Laurence**

If Dyson cut 1000 jobs in the UK who is going to pick up the pieces? **SUNDANCE**

can anyone answer me when men get older they grow beards, which most of them it doesn't suit, also why are answers to puzzles, crosswords etc are printed upside down? **rocky of nottm**

So ice-cream van got swept into sea, maybe owner might have a whip round for new one. **Phil Southend**

### JOKE OF THE DAY

Fred Dead, who spent his whole lifetime explaining to people his surname was pronounced "Deed", got run over by a bus on his local high street. He was unfortunately pronounced Dead at the scene. **Fran McMahon Liverpool**

## SNAP HAPPY



I'm in heaven. **Peanut**

SEND us your photos of anything you like - it can be you with a top celeb, some funny looking food, a fantastic view, or maybe your artistic side is coming out? Email with details of what's going on in the pic, who you are and where you're from.



Bonnie making a cash donation at charity shop. **Jo**

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Tech news

SOME 10 billion private passwords have just been leaked online, so it's a good time to make some changes and secure your accounts.

# StarTech

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Tech news

IT'S Prime Day next Tuesday, July 16, so you can expect huge discounts on Fire TV Sticks, Echos, Kindles and more.

## Apple has a head-turner

AFTER months of waiting, from tomorrow you can finally pop into an Apple Store and check out the space-age Vision Pro headset.

These clever tech specs blend real and virtual worlds together, allowing you to check your emails, surf the web or watch movies while still seeing what's happening around you.



AMAZING: Headset

They will set you back £3,500, but if you want to try before you buy you can book a demo via Apple's website.

StarTech has already tried them and they're well worth a go - your mind will be blown!

★ A UNIQUE and cheap new Android phone is coming to the UK. The team at Nothing are launching another eye-catching device that will set you back £209. The CMF Phone 1 includes a 6.67in Super AMOLED screen with 120Hz refresh rate (even faster than the iPhone 15's 60Hz), a 5G processor, impressive Sony camera and two-day battery life.

★ There's a distinctive design as well. Users can swap the back case to a colour that suits their mood or add custom accessories.

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## SCREEN SAVER

VIRGIN Media is dishing out free LG TVs this week. If you fancy a new 4K screen in your living room you'll need to sign up for one of its telly and broadband bundles before July 14.

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★ AMAZON is reviving its little Echo Spot speaker... and this time it's a bit less creepy.

The previous model - discontinued in 2021 - featured a tiny camera which didn't go down well with those who wanted to pop it on a bedside table.

★ This latest Spot has ditched that function and now gets a bigger display plus an improved front-firing directional speaker.

It comes in three different colours and costs £79.99.

★ Those with a Prime account can currently grab this gadget for just £49.99 to celebrate next week's Prime Day event.



## LUIGI GOES GHOSTBUSTING

**LUIGI'S MANSION 2 HD (Nintendo Switch) ★★★★★** THIS one's very much a revamped version of a classic game.

You play Mario's brother Luigi, a scaredy-cat who is thrust into eerie Evershade Valley to explore haunted mansions that are

screaming and teeming with troublemaking ghouls and paranormal puzzles.

Evershade Valley has been enveloped in a frightening fog and the Dark Moon which once hung in the sky is broken.

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and put the Dark Moon back together again with the help of your scientist buddy Professor E. Gadd.

Of course, it's the only way to stop the spirits from wreaking havoc across the valley.

The backdrops are cartoon spooky, rather than

genuinely scary, and you'll get the odd pre-planned jump scare when the monsters emerge. It's all in good giggly fun.

Nintendo has brought the visuals up to date but it remains at its heart a strong video game in the Mario franchise.

# Samsung's got nice ring to it

## NEW HEALTH TRACKER

IF the thought of a smart-watch pinging all day on your wrist sounds infuriating, Samsung may have the solution.

The firm has just announced the official launch of its Galaxy Ring wearable which is designed to track your health without being so intrusive.

With this gadget pushed on to your finger you'll get a swathe of data beamed to your smartphone including your heart rate, temperature, fitness tracking and how inactive you've been. It

will even watch over you at night to see how well you've slept and offer a daily Energy Score based on the data it's collected via the tiny in-built sensors.

Samsung says it's been made out of lightweight but durable titanium and can survive being taken for a dip in the pool.

The Galaxy Ring comes with a neat charging case and once fully refilled

should last for around a week - battery life that puts most smartwatches to shame.

There are three colours to choose from including Titanium Black, Titanium Silver and Titanium Gold, plus you can pick from eight different sizes.

If you fancy the Galaxy Ring on your finger then it's available to pre-order now and costs £399. Samsung says it will arrive in stores from July 24.



CIRCLE OF LIFE: Galaxy Ring



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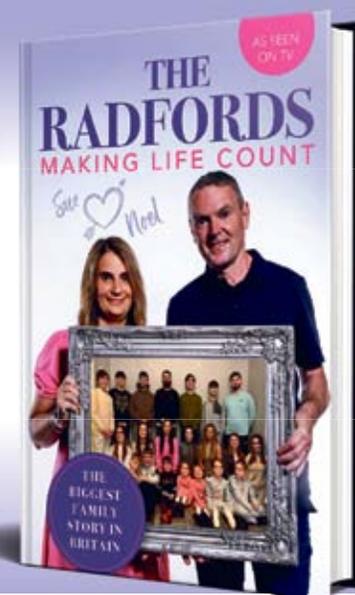
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**JANE O'GORMAN SOLVES YOUR PROBLEMS TODAY ... AND EVERY DAY**

## I regret mates' advice

MY friends persuaded me to dump my boyfriend - and now I regret it.

I was complaining about him being annoying and they chorused: "Ditch him."

So, I did. By text. It was a cheap, cowardly thing to do.

I've not heard a word from him since.

We were together for five years and I thought I could do better.

But I desperately want him back.

I hear that he's dating a variety of girls and I feel such a fool.

Meanwhile the "mates" who told me to dump him have all gone to Ibiza for the summer - leaving me behind.

**JANE SAYS:** You need to own your behaviour and give your ex-boyfriend some space.

From cruelly breaking up with him by text to hearing that he's dating again, I fear you've overplayed your hand.

What a shame that you allowed other people to influence your thinking.

Learn from this - be your own person and don't allow others to take over your decision making in future.

Did these "mates" have your best interests at heart or were they just being mischievous?

# His phone's filled with saucy snaps

## PHOTOS OF OLD LOVERS

MY boyfriend has hundreds of pictures of naked women on his phone.

He says it's only for a laugh and that I'm a prude for objecting. He claims ogling women distracts him from the tedium of work and is good for his mental health - but I'm not sure I buy it.

What about me? What about my feelings when he knows that I'm insecure and hate the idea of him fancying anyone else?

He proudly boasts an extensive library of pics on his handset. Some are professional models and porn stars, but others are real women from his past and online chat rooms.

I am struggling to cope with his behaviour. I think it's disgusting and disloyal. He says it's perfectly normal; he reckons all of the blokes he knows have sexy pictures on their phones. I know his passcode. Most of the time he has his phone gripped in his hand but occasionally he'll leave it on the kitchen counter and that's when I pounce. The explicit images break my heart.

Sometimes we're in a bar or in the park and I'm chatting away about my mates or family, and I realise that he's not listening. He's looking at his phone - at his pictures - while sitting with me!

Later he'll try and have sex with me, and I'll turn him down



Picture posed by models

**KING LEER:** Her fella has countless pics of naked women, including those of his exes

because I know that he has other females on his mind - this leads to rows. I don't think I'm paranoid or wrong, do you?

I don't have any pictures of naked men on my phone and don't want any. I don't know what I mean to him anymore or where I stand. How can he love and respect me when he gets his kicks looking at other girls?

**JANE SAYS:** Maybe it is very "modern" of your boyfriend to have pictures of other women on his phone, but if you don't like it, then you're entitled to speak out.

OK, maybe it's one thing

downloading pictures of professional models and porn stars. But why are those images of ex-lovers still on there? Did the women themselves give permission? Does he still fancy them?

How much time and money is he also spending on the individuals who operate online chat rooms?

What's worrying is he looks at his favourite images in front of you. If anything, he enjoys the wind up and seems proud of his vast collection.

Can you continue with a man who seems to be living a

whole other life and is indifferent to your happiness?

Remember, he isn't the only guy in the world and if he isn't making you happy - and you can't trust him - then you need to think about moving on.

Keep talking. Can you come back from this? Does he value you as a real person? My worry is that he's stopped respecting you and seeing you as he's living too much in his own head. Suggest he seeks professional help via his GP for this addiction. Because an addiction it definitely is...

## My life needs a revamp

MY cousin is a high flyer. He has his own business, a gorgeous wife and smart kids.

I can tell he looks down on me, even though my parents insist that's not true.

I can't stop comparing myself to other people and feeling inadequate.

I don't have a girl, a flat or a car. I still live at home. I know that my folks are keen to downsize, but I'm in the way.

My job is nothing special and my friends are stuck in the past.

My last girlfriend dumped me with the words: "You make me feel depressed".

Help.

**JANE SAYS:** Why don't you take a leaf out of your cousin's book? Can he give you any tips or hints on building a successful career and relationship?

As for your parents, perhaps if they do downsize and help you to rent a place of your own, then you'll feel invigorated?

You have to be proactive. Make lists - change everything in your life. If you don't, then I fear you'll sink even further into oblivion.

Are you exercising, getting plenty of fresh air and eating healthily too? Your life needs to be seized by the throat.



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## So angry over ex-rated hoax

MY ex has been messing with my mind and now I feel angry and stupid. He and I split in March.

Then I started receiving saucy messages from a secret admirer. He claimed that he'd always fancied me and was delighted that I was free. I allowed myself to be flattered and sent some stupid replies and sexy images. It was my ex getting me at it. How dare he?

**JANE SAYS:** Clearly your ex was angry, but re-inventing himself online was unacceptable. Does he need to be reported to the police?

Talk to someone you trust about what you've been through. Don't be embarrassed. Pretending to be someone else is dishonest and creepy.

# PHOTO CASEBOOK

## HOW COULD SHE DO THAT?

DAY 4

**1** See, it's not too bad, is it?  
Silly me... hic... I don't know what I was worried about

**2** Come on let's go upstairs  
Why not!

**3** Upstairs in the bedroom  
See how easy it is, if we just forget it's there  
Hic

**4** We can just be ourselves and then have as much fun watching ourselves later  
Actually... hic... I feel really randy

**CONTINUES TOMORROW**

# RUSSELL GRANT

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### ARIES

March 21 to April 20

A **LIVELY** conversation will make you see someone in a new light. Trust your instincts and embrace the romantic atmosphere. If you sense someone can be trusted, you're probably right. You're ready to compromise to maintain harmony in your relationships.

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### GEMINI

May 22 to June 21

**YOU'RE** the one calling the shots now. Even so, if you bite off more than you can chew it could feel overwhelming. You're getting fed up with constantly being on the go. You can change this – carve out some time to relax.

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### LEO

July 24 to August 23

**DECIDE** what you want to do and concentrate your efforts on this. You won't be disappointed. It stands to reason if you spread your focus across a range of interests, you will achieve minimal progress. Someone close with disappointing news needs your sympathy.

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### TAURUS

April 21 to May 21

**UNEXPECTED** encounters or impromptu invitations could pave the way for an exhilarating new romance if you are single. In a relationship? Your home will fill your heart with happiness. There's nowhere else you'd rather be.

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### CANCER

June 22 to July 23

**VOLUNTEERING** can bring personal and professional fulfilment. You can enrich your life in ways you never thought possible. Your creative thinking or a bold idea will lead to success. You might stumble upon a great deal while you're out and about.

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### VIRGO

August 24 to September 23

**FRUSTRATION** will be caused by the uncooperative atmosphere at home. Someone seems to be deliberately causing waves. Travelling to faraway destinations brings satisfaction. Positive news gives you something exciting to look forward to.

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### LIBRA

September 24 to October 23

**NEWS** is good and positive developments can be expected if you're involved in transactions. Even so, it will be important to respond swiftly to people. There will be time to take a break later but for now, don't be the one who causes delays.

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### SAGITTARIUS

November 23 to December 21

**DOMESTIC** arrangements will be managed better thanks to some labour-saving appliances. When it comes to work, it's important to avoid rushing tasks. Take your time and proceed with caution so as not to spoil what has the potential to be an excellent job.

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### AQUARIUS

January 21 to February 19

**ENCOURAGE** openness and clarity – making certain that everyone is fully informed about a shared concern will strengthen your bond. You will be delighted by improvements in finances. Spending time with loved ones brings harmony.

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### SCORPIO

October 24 to November 23

**AN** opportunity you won't want to miss could lead to improvements in your personal life or career. Your family and work life combine – you might be thinking about starting a business. Although it will require effort, the satisfaction you'll gain from this will be worth it.

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### CAPRICORN

December 22 to January 20

**FOCUSING** on your closest relationships brings benefits but be prepared to be challenged when things get confusing. Complex issues can't be seen in black and white. Stay open-minded when encountering strange or unusual ideas.

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### PISCES

February 20 to March 20

**YOUR** romantic and platonic relationships need some TLC. Creating memories together rekindles a spark in your marriage and friendships. A spontaneous trip could lead to an encounter with someone special. Don't forget to prioritise your relationships.

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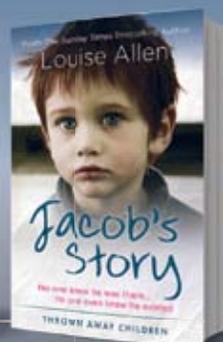
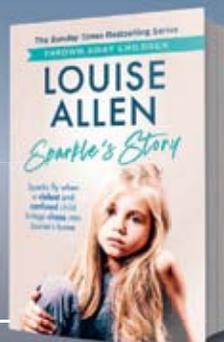


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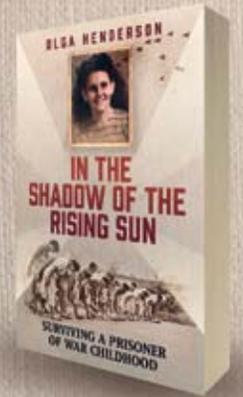
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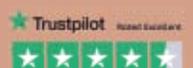
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STARFORM ZIZI DANGER: Geo

Star Betting: 3 Queue Dos, 7-2 Ellaria Sand, 4 Geo, 6 Lilly's Bet, 8 Zizi, 16 Lenton Lily, 20 others. 2023: Mapmaker 9, 2 Crouch 11-10 Fav (D Holland), drawn (7), 8 ran. STARFORM: ZIZI DANGER: Geo

7.00 DONNINGTON GROVE VETS HANDICAP Class 5 6f (11 runners) £5,757

Table with 2 columns: Race number and runner details including name, jockey, and odds.

7.35 PUMP TECHNOLOGY NOVICE STAKES Class 4 3YO 1m 2f (8 runners) £6,480

Table with 2 columns: Race number and runner details including name, jockey, and odds.

STARFORM CASTLE COVE 1-1fav (9-11) Keen tracked winner, hampered approaching final furlong, switched left over 1f out, stayed on one pace, 4th of 8, 3 1/2 behind Midnite Storm (9-4) at Redcar 1m 2f nov mdn stks (5) gf in Jun.

Vanish 12-1 (9-4) Towards rear, headway to tracked leaders 4f out, pushed along to press winner 2f out, ridden and one pace when edged left towards finish, 2nd of 10, 1 3/4 behind Voyage (9-4) at Newbury 1m 2f nov stks (2) gs in Apr. Kate The Cook 16-1 (9-2) Midfield, pushed along over 2f out, ridden over 1f out, went third final 110yds, kept on well, 3rd of 9, 3 1/2 behind Markoon (9-7) at Kempton 1m 2yo mdn stks (4) pol in Nov. Forest Gate 8-1 (9-5) Raced wide, towards rear, pushed along and headway 2f out, kept on inside final furlong, went 3rd close home, 3rd of 13, 7 behind So Deuce (9-5) at Leicester 1m mdn stks (4) gs in Jun. STARFORM: CASTLE COVE: DANGER: Vanish

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP

Table with 2 columns: Horse name and odds for Jason Heavey's star tip.

GOING: SOFT

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

8.10 WIN RACES WITH JONNY PORTMAN H'CAP Class 5 1m 2f (10 runners) £5,757

Table with 2 columns: Race number and runner details including name, jockey, and odds.

STARFORM LAURA BAY DANGER: Double Jump

8.45 CINDERELLA INCINERATING TOILET H'CAP Class 5 1m 5f (8 runners) £5,757

Table with 2 columns: Race number and runner details including name, jockey, and odds.

STARFORM: HY BRASIL DANGER: Al Khawaneej River

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- Which Italian lost both the 2024 French Open women's singles and doubles tennis finals? Who took pole and won race 1 in the 2024 MXGP of Portugal? Which nation won the 2024 European Athletics Championships mixed 4x400m relay? Of which European top-flight football club was Neil Lennon appointed manager in May? Which Wakefield Trinity trio each scored two tries in the 2024 1895 Cup final win over Sheffield Eagles?

SPORTWORD

Across: 1. National cricket team nicknamed The Chevrons whose first Test match was in 1992 against India (8). 7 and 4 Down: 1980 Olympics men's 100m gold medalist (5,5). 8. Gareth ....., 2006-10 Wales, 2001-07 Bath and 2007-10 Gloucester No.8 (5). 9. Les ....., 1962-74 England football coach and later assistant manager (6). 10. Name of the Oxford University Boat Club men's reserve crew (4). 12. Alex ....., 2022-23 Stoke boss (4). 14. Steve ....., Australia Test cricketer who took 6-35 against India in Pune in 2017 (6). 17. Spain and Manchester City midfielder born Rodrigo Hernandez Casante (5). 18. Phil ....., 1982-91 Worcestershire CCC captain (5). 19. Brazil, Manchester United, 2010-13 Sao Paulo and 2013-22 Real Madrid midfielder (8). Down: 1. Ned ....., 1991-97 Australia, 1992-95 Borussia Dortmund, 1995-96 QPR and 1997-2001 1860 Munich defender/midfielder (5). 2 and 11 Down: Switzerland, Manchester City and 2018-22 Borussia Dortmund defender (6,6). 3 and 16 Down: 1987 World Championships men's 1,500m gold medalist representing Somalia (4,4). 4. See 7 Across. 5 and 6 Down: Germany, Barcelona and 2010-14 Borussia Monchengladbach goalkeeper (4-5,6). 6. See 5 Down. 11. See 2 Down. 13. 1983, 2003, 2011 and 2023 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup finalists (5). 15. 2004-11 Brazil and Manchester City midfielder (5). 16. See 3 Down.

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JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP
Ancient Wisdom 1.50 Space Legend
Whistlejacket 2.25 Whistlejacket (nap)
Sergeant Wilko 3.00 Two Tribes
Hamish 3.35 Hamish
Miss Fascinator 4.10 Miss Fascinator (nb)
Lead Artist 4.45 Al Musmak
Fifty Nifty 5.20 Sterling Knight

GOING: SOFT-GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES

JACKPOT AND PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

1.50 BAHRAIN TROPHY STAKES (GROUP 3)
Class 1 3YO 1m 5f (4 runners) £113,420

- (5) ANCIENT WISDOM (40)(C,F,G,S)
311-20 C Appleby 9 3.....W Buick\*121
(2) KINESIOLOGY (35)(G)
02-12 J Harrington (IRE) 9 3 DOUBTFUL
(4) PORTLAND (21)(G,S)
3-2410 A P O'Brien (IRE) 9 3...R L Moore 111
(1) ROYAL SUPREMACY (20)(A,G)
41-323 A Balding 9 3.....O Murphy 114
(3) SPACE LEGEND (20)(S)
2-122 W Haggas 9 3.....James Doyle 117

Star Betting: 11-10 Ancient Wisdom, 2 Space Legend, 6 Royal Supremacy, 13-2 Portland, 2023: Castle Way 9 3, William Buick 9-2 (C Appleby), drawn (6), 5 ran.

STARFORM: PORTLAND DANGER: Ancient Wisdom

2.25 KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN JULY STAKES (GRP 2)
Class 1 2YO 6f (6 runners) £56,710

- (6) AIN'T NOBODY (22)(F,G)
11 K Ryan 9 2.....T Eaves\*110
(5) AOMORI CITY (28)(D,G)
1 C Appleby 9 2.....W Buick 94
(2) BILLBOARD STAR (14)(CD,F)
31 E J-Houghton 9 2.....C Bishop 96
(3) ELECTROLYTE (23)(D,G)
12 A Watson 9 2.....James Doyle 107
(4) RAJEKO (38)(D,F)
5 M Bell 9 2.....O Murphy 93
(1) WHISTLEJACKET (21)(BF,S)
214 A P O'Brien (IRE) 9 2...R L Moore 109

Star Betting: 13-8 Whistlejacket, 9-4 Electrolyte, 4 Ain't Nobody, 8 Aomori City, 12 Rajeko, 20 Billboard Star, 2023: Jassour 9 2, Jim Crowley 16-1 (C Cox), drawn (1), 9 ran.

STARFORM: WHISTLEJACKET DANGER: Ain't Nobody

3.00 BET BOOST AT BET365 H'CAP (HERITAGE H'CAP)
Class 2 3YO 6f (15 runners) £51,540

- (4) MILITARY (20)(D,B,T)
3-5440 A P O'Brien (IRE) 9 9...R L Moore 102
(10) WOODHAY WONDER (20)(CD,D4,F,G)
11-114 T Ward 9 8.....T Marquand 108
(16) DARK VINTAGE (20)(G)(V)
22-636 R Fahey 9 4.....Oisin Orr 105
(15) BRAVE EMPIRE (20)(D3,A,F,G)
1-0160 R Varian 9 3.....D Tudhope 104
(11) ZABRISKIE POINT (287)(F,S)
13410- C Hills 9 2.....Billy Loughnane 102
(6) TROPICAL ISLAND (26)(D,G,S)
5214-6 R Fahey 9 0.....D Garrity 103
(3) TWO TRIBES (20)(G)(B)
122-20 R Spencer 9 0.....H Doyle 107
(13) DORNEY LAKE (20)(D2,F,G)(T)
5-1110 J & T Gosden 8 13.....W Buick 105
(7) ELMONJED (26)(BF,D2,F,G)(P)
11-63 W Haggas 8 12.....DOUBTFUL
(14) ARAMRAM (24)(D,G)
0-154 R Hannon 8 11...Alec Voikhansky (3) 102
(5) THUNDER BLUE (20)(D,F)(T)
L2-040 J Osborne 8 11.....S Osborne 103
(9) SERGEANT WILKO (45)(D2,A,G,S)
45-141 K Ryan 8 10.....O Murphy\*109
(12) MOSWAAT (20)(D,S)
13-050 R Varian 8 9.....S De Sousa 107
(2) PALMAR BAY (26)(D,G,S)
2113-L R Beckett 8 8.....E Greatrex 106
(8) IMPERIAL GUARD (26)(D,A)
2-1L35 A Balding 8 6.....H Turner 105
(1) ROMAN EMPEROR (19)(D,A)(P)
220550 J Ryan 8 2.....Morgan Cole (5) 102

LONG HANDICAP: Roman Emperor 7-13, Star Betting: 5 Imperial Guard, 11-2 Woodhay Wonder, 6 Tropical Island, 8 Military, Sergeant Wilko, 10 Dorney Lake, 12 Dark Vintage, 20 Tribes, 14 others, 2023: Quinault 8 8, Connor Planas(5) 4-1 Fav (S C Williams), drawn (1), 16 ran.

STARFORM: DORNEY LAKE DANGER: Sergeant Wilko

3.35 PRINCESS OF WALES'S STAKES (GROUP 2)
Class 1 1m 4f (6 runners) £70,888

- (5) GIAVELLOTTO (55)(C,A,F,G)
53-351 M Botti 5 9 11.....O Murphy 116
(2) MOUTBI (11)(CD,D6,A,F,G)(P)
52-10L A Watson 9 9 11.....H Doyle 111

- (4) ARREST (63)(D,F,G,S)
512-02 J & T Gosden 4 9 8...K Shoemark 119
(6) HAMISH (41)(D5,A,F,G,S)
111-12 W Haggas 8 9 8.....T Marquand\*123
(1) MAXI KING (23)(D,G,S)
1-1140 Raphael Freire 4 9 8...David Egan 107
(3) TIME LOCK (41)(D3,F,G)
110-2L Harry Charlton 5 9 5...R L Moore 116

Star Betting: 6-5 Hamish, 3 Arrest, 5 Giavelotto, 11-2 Time Lock, 16 Outbox, 25 Maxi King, 2023: Israr 4 9 8, Jim Crowley 7-2 (J & T Gosden), drawn (3), 4 ran.

STARFORM: GIAVELLOTTO DANGER: Hamish

4.10 EBF MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES
Class 2 2YO 6f (9 runners) £20,616

- (3) ADOON VALLEY G Boughey 9 2.....Billy Loughnane -
(6) DREAM VOYAGE(H) Palmer 9 2.....O Murphy -
(2) HOT LIKE ME (19) R Spencer 9 2.....D Doyle 77
(30) MAGIC MILD (55) C Cox 9 2.....Rossa Ryan 88
(4) MISS FASCINATOR (13) R Varian 9 2.....James Doyle \*91
(5) MYSTICAL QUEEN (20) Darryll Holland 9 2.....H Turner 59
(7) PEARL OF WINDSOR C Allen 9 2.....D Keenan -
(1) SEA EMILY RUN (27) Tom Clover 9 2.....J Mitchell 80
(5) VALENTIA ISLAND (13) C Appleby 9 2.....W Buick 82

Star Betting: 11-4 Miss Fascinator, 3 Valentia Island, 5 Magic Mild, 6 Sea Emily Run, 13-2 Adoon Valley, 10 Dream Voyage, 12 Hot Like Me, 25 Pearl Of Windsor, 50 Mystical Queen, 2023: Sacred Angel 9 2, William Buick 11-2 (C Johnston), drawn (6), 10 ran.

S-FORM: MISS FASCINATOR DANGER: Valentia Island

4.45 SIR HENRY CECIL STAKES (LISTED)
Class 1 3YO 1m (6 runners) £31,190

- (6) 2-10 AL MUSMAK (21)(D,G,S) R Varian 9 5.....S De Sousa 110
(2) 1-32 BOLD STYLE (69)(D,A) C Appleby 9 5.....W Buick 107
(4) 2-1 LEAD ARTIST (55)(D,G) J & T Gosden 9 5.....K Shoemark 108
(3) -020 NATIVE AMERICAN (19)(G) R Fahey 9 5.....James Doyle 112
(1) 11 SOCIALITE (40)(G) C Hills 9 5.....O Murphy 98
(5) 2-25 KITTY ROSE (20)(BF,G) Mick J 9 0.....T Marquand \*113

Star Betting: 15-8 Lead Artist, 5-2 Kitty Rose, 6 Bold Style, 13-2 Socialite, 7 Al Musmak, 10 Native American, 2023: Nostrum 9 5, Ryan Moore 11-10 Fav (Sir M Stoute), drawn (4), 6 ran.

STARFORM: LEAD ARTIST DANGER: Socialite

5.20 BLANDFORD BLOODSTOCK HANDICAP
Class 3 1m (10 runners) £15,462

- (1) 5000 TEMPUS (22)(D2,A,G,S)(B) A Watson 8 10 2.....H Doyle 91
(10) 5-40 ALZAHIR (21)(D,A,G)(H,T) D O'Meara 4 10 2.....D Tudhope 96
(7) -000 HELM ROCK (14)(D4,A,G,S)(T) D & C Kubler 6 10 2.....David Egan \*98
(5) 0310 TWIRLING (23)(D3,A,S)(T) S & E Cristoforo 4 10 0.....R L Moore 97
(3) 0L10 STERLING KNIGHT (21)(A,G,S)(P) E Dunlop 5 9 12.....O Murphy 95
(6) 223- URBAN SPRAWL (20)(G,S) J Johnston 4 9 10.....W Buick \*113

Star Betting: 3 Fifty Nifty, 9-2 Twirling, 6 The Ice Phoenix, 8 Sterling Knight, 10 Urban Sprawl, Repertoire, Safwan, Helm Rock, 12 others, 2023: Darkness 5 10 0, Neil Callan 17-2 (D O'Meara), drawn (5), 8 ran.

STARFORM: TWIRLING DANGER: Safwan

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GOING: GOOD-GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

2.10 LAKE DISTRICT HANDICAP
Class 5 1m 3f (5 runners) £4,187

- (2) -00L ROLL IT IN GLITTER (23)(S) M & D Easterby 4 10 2...Joanna Mason 75
(4) 0036 BUSTAAM (43)(BF,S) D O'Meara 4 10 1.....L Nolan 74
(3) 1) 0400 MOUNT KING (18)(G,S)(P,T) T Easterby 4 9 9.....S B Kirrane 76
(5) 2062 INDIVIDUALISM (9)(BF) C D Williams 3 9 8.....J Fanning \*71
(3) -312 NATURALIA (22)(C,D) J Williams 3 8 13.....Shay Farmer (7) 71

Star Betting: 11-8 Individualism, 7-4 Naturalia, 7 Bustaam, 8 Mount King, 10 Roll It In Glitter, 2023: Whatacracker 3 9 0, R Sexton(3) 10-3 (M Wolford), drawn (4), 9 ran.

STARFORM: INDIVIDUALISM DANGER: Naturalia

2.45 MOLSON COORS HANDICAP
Class 6 6f (13 runners) £3,402

- (4) 016L B ASSOCIATES (15)(CD2,C2,G) J Jardine 4 10 0.....A Mullen 70
(2) 2144 WHITE UMBRELLA (21)(D3,A,G,S) C Kellert 5 10 0.....L Morris 71
(1) 2L-L HAWORTH STAR (202) R Fahey 4 9 12.....C Murtagh 74
(4) -L61 RUNNINWILD (5)(CD2,D2,A,G)(P) Mrs A Duffield 6 9 12 Z Wheatley (3) \*75
(5) -042 BRAVEHEART BOY (19)(D,G) T Easterby 4 9 11.....D Fentiman 71
(3) -6L2 HOUR BY HOUR (24)(D,S) J Jardine 4 9 10.....M Tabb (5) 70
(7) 121-230 KRISTAL KLEAR (44) Mrs Stella Barclay 4 9 9.....J Fanning 72
(11) 3612 JESMOND DAWN (3)(BF,D,G) G Tuer 3 9 7.....H Shaw 69
(13) L263 BERRYGATE (24)(B,F,G) C R Scott 9 7.....C Rodriguez 65
(5) 00LL SIDNEY'S SON (31)(CD,S) N Tinkler 4 9 7.....R Scott 73
(11) -011 EDGEWATER DRIVE (24)(CD2,T) W Storey 3 9 6...Paula Muir (3) 68
(8) 1425 KING OF THE JUNGLE (24)(A,G) M & D Easterby 4 9 6...Lewis Chalkley (7) 70
(3) 1320 PINPOINT (25)(G,S) Ewan Williams 3 9 8.....D Nolan 69

Star Betting: 5 Jesmond Dawn, 6 Runnindild, Edgewater Drive, 7 Hour By Hour, Berrygate, 8 White Umbrella, 12 others, 2023: Impeller 5 10, D Fentiman 10-1 (T Easterby), drawn (12), 10 ran.

STARFORM: B ASSOCIATES DANGER: Jesmond Dawn

3.20 32WEST BRITISH EBF FILLIES' HANDICAP
Class 4 6f (9 runners) £8,374

- (7) -236 ORIGINALTRAIL (19)(D2,G) B Haslam 5 10 2.....P Mulrennan \*85
(2) 0034 MAY BLOSSOM (23)(G,S)(B) J Camacho 5 10 0 0...McSwiney (3) 79
(6) 2-6L EMILY POST (43)(C,D,A,G)(H) M Dods 5 9 12.....C Rodriguez 82
(4) 9) 2-10 SHY HI BYE (33)(D,G) W Haggas 3 9 8.....C Lee 75
(3) 0111 RUN THIS WAY (21)(D5,S)(V) P Midgley 6 9 7.....D Nolan 81
(4) 1321 CYPRIOT DIASPORA (27)(D2,S) B Millan 3 9 7...Joanna Mason 80
(7) 1) 0510 IRIS DANCER (43)(D7,G,S) T Davidge 6 9 6...B Sanderson (3) 81
(8) 3231 MOSTAR DREAMS (24)(C,S) I Jardine 3 9 4.....A Mullen 77
(5) -302 BYZANTINE EMPRESS (19) Kevin Coleman (IRE) 3 9 1...P J McDonald 76

Star Betting: 10-3 Run This Way, 5 Mostar Dreams, Cypriot Diaspora, 6 Originaltrail, 13-2 Byzantine Empress, 15-2 Shy Hi Bye, 10 May Blossom, 12 Iris Dancer, 16 Emily Post, 2023: Sophia's Starlight 3 9 12, Oliver Stammers 11-4 (G Tuer), drawn (4), 7 ran.

STARFORM: RUN THIS WAY DANGER: Shy Hi Bye

3.55 RACINGTV MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES
Class 5 2YO 7f (6 runners) £3,726

- (3) 50 APULIA (15) D Loughnane 9 2.....T Greatrex 71
(2) 6) LADY CHARTWELL C Johnston 9 2.....J Fanning -
(3) 4) MISS RAINCLOUD T Waggett 9 2.....R Scott -
(4) 1) SERVING WITH STYLE R R Burke 9 2.....C Lee -
(2) 53 WATHBAH (20) A Watson 9 2.....L Morris \*79
(6) 5) 3 WHO WANTS ME (22) J Jardine 9 2.....A Mullen 72

Star Betting: 7-4 Serving With Style, 2 Wathbah, 7-2 Lady Chartwell, 8 Who Wants Me, 16 Miss Raincloud, 20 Apulia, 2023: Bella Wella 9 2, J Garrity 6-1 (M Wolford), drawn (3), 6 ran.

STARFORM: WATHBAH DANGER: Lady Chartwell

4.28 RACHAEL BELL MAIDEN HANDICAP
Class 5 7f (8 runners) £4,187

- (7) 2-25 GUNDOGAN (19) E Bethell 3 9 9.....C Rodriguez 72
(8) 44-6 BEALE STREET (33) B Smart 3 9 8.....A Breslin (3) 69

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP

- Naturalia 2.10 Individualism
Edgewater Drive 2.45 Edgewater Drive
Mostar Dreams 3.20 Run This Way (trb)
Serving With Style 3.55 Lady Chartwell
Bateman 4.28 War Memorial
Eretret 5.03 Patronage

- (3) 5343 LADY FLORA (15) A Balding 3 9 6.....P J McDonald 67
(4) 1) -553 BATEMAN (2)(BF) G Tutty 3 9 3.....R Scott \*74
(5) 2) 0200 MAJESTIC NEWLAW (41)(P) J Jardine 4 9 3.....A Mullen 72
(6) 4) -54 WAR MEMORIAL (19) M Dods 3 9 2.....P Mulrennan 67
(7) 3) 0546 BEECHWOOD STAR (17)(BF) R Fahey 3 9 1.....C Murtagh 73
(8) 6) -000 LUMENBOURG (25)(V) J Camacho 3 8 4.....J Fanning 60

Star Betting: 7-2 Lady Flora, 4 Gundogan, 5 War Memorial, Bateman, 6 Beechwood Star, 8 Beale Street, 10 others, 2023: Overnight Oats 3 9 5, Lewis Edmunds 3-1 (W Muir & C Grassick), drawn (8), 9 ran.

STARFORM: BEECHWOOD STAR DANGER: Lady Flora

5.03 MUCKLE MAJESTIC HANDICAP
Class 6 3YO 1m 1f (6 runners) £3,402

- (2) 02L3 TAKES TIME (48)(P) D Loughnane 9 9.....T Greatrex 71
(6) 6453 ERETRET (6) C Johnston 9 5.....J Fanning \*74
(3) 5242 EVELYN'S PHOENIX (6)(G,P) T Easterby 9 4.....D Fentiman 73
(4) 3) 2200 MAMBHA (21) M Dods 9 3.....P Mulrennan 72
(4) 2156 PATRONAGE (9)(A,G) N Tinkler 9 2.....R Scott 71
(1) 55-0 WHAT TIMES TEA (20) Jardine 9 1.....A Mullen 71

Star Betting: 2 Evelyn's Phoenix, 9-4 Eretret, 6 Mambha, Patronage, 7 Takes Time, 12 What Times Tea, 2023: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: ERETRET DANGER: Mambha

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GOING: SOFT

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

TOP TRAINERS (with runners) J Boyle 17 winners, (11.4% strike rate), -£39.84, R Beckett 10, (15.6%), -£25.93, G & J Moore 10, (17.2%), +£12.83, A West 5, (11.4%), +£38.75, A Carroll 5, (16.7%), -£1.37, S Dow 5, (10.2%), -£14.17.

6.05 BETFRED NIFTY 50 HANDICAP
Class 5 3YO 1m 4f (5 runners) £4,449

- (4) -163 VOLTO DI MEDUSA (27)(G) R Guest 9 10.....P Cosgrave 76
(2) 2331 ALLIANCE (12)(G,P) R Beckett 9 10.....R Clutterbuck \*79
(5) -042 SECRET BEAT (14)(T) B Brookhouse 9 8.....J Gilligan 76
(4) 6L02 TURING (20)(P) Jack Jones 9 6.....Dylan Hogan 75
(1) 0303 SHOW ME A HERO (37)(M) Bell 9 4.....K Stott 78

Star Betting: 6-4 Alliance, 5-2 Secret Beach, 6 Show Me A Hero, Turing, 13-2 Volto Di Medusa, 2023: Flash Bardot 9 9, Rose Dawes(5) 9-1 (J Channon), drawn (4), 6 ran.

STARFORM: ALLIANCE DANGER: Turing

6.40 EBF RESTRICTED MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES
Class 4 2YO 7f (7 runners) £5,400

- (5) 2) BALAYAGED (12) C Johnson 9 2.....P Cosgrave \*83
(4) 50 BOLLIV DOLLY (19)(B) Miss A Murphy 9 2.....R Clutterbuck 80
(3) 2) 4) ENCHANTED WAY (19) A Watson 9 2.....Laura Coughlan (3) 70
(4) 7) LADY JUSTICE (18) J Williams 9 2.....D Muscatt 78
(5) 43 SUZETTE (18) O Peary 9 2.....C Hardie 74
(6) 1) 4) MUM'S CALLED (81) D F Davis 9 0.....W Cox 73
(7) 6) SCARLET SUNSET (1) Mohammed 9 0.....K Stott -

Star Betting: 5-4 Balayaged, 7-2 Suzette, 9-2 Enchanted Way, 5 Mum's Called, 16 Scarlet Sunset, 20 Lady Justice, 33 Bolly Dolly, 2023: Alnoory 9 2, P Cosgrave 11-10 Fav (R Hughes), drawn (2), 7 ran.

STARFORM: BALAYAGED DANGER: Suzette

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP

- Allonsy 6.05 Allonsy
Balayaged 6.40 Mum's Called
Fahrenheit Seven 7.15 Fahrenheit Seven
Conquest Of Power 7.50 Conquest Of Power
Blueflagflyinghigh 8.25 Tayala
Saachi 9.00 Charles Morin

7.15 BETFRED 'THE CLASSIC BOOKMAKER' H'CAP
Class 4 6f (7 runners) £6,019

- (1) -200 CAPOTE'S DREAM (43)(D6,A,G)(B,T) T Ward 7 10 2...R Coakley 81
(2) 5) 60L0 WATCHYA (16)(D3,A,F) G Baker 5 9 13.....P Cosgrave 78
(6) 1103 NORTHCLEIF (12)(D2,A,G)(P) M Murphy & M Keady 4 9 12...S Woods (7) 81
(4) 0-6L FIERCE (44)(S)(B) G & J Moore 4 9 8.....T P Queally 82
(7) 4331 FAHRENHEIT SEVEN (7)(G) M Usher 3 9 7.....T Heard (3) \*83
(3) -00L TWITCH (19)(D2,G)(B) Craig Benton 8 8 13.....R Clutterbuck 61
(2) 11L5 SOUTHBANK (24)(D3,A,G) T S Williams 3 8 10.....Dylan Hogan 77

Star Betting: Evens Fahrenheit Seven, 7-2 Northcliff, 8 Fierce, Capote's Dream, 10 Watchya, 12 Southbank, 33 Twitch, 2023: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: FAHRENHEIT SEVEN DANGER: Northcliff

7.50 BETFRED PLAY FRED'S 5 MILLION HANDICAP
Class 5 7f (9 runners) £4,449

- (4) 0113 CONQUEST OF POWER (18)(D3,A,S)(P) M Usher 4 9 11...T Heard (3) 79
(2) 2) 04-0 WINAKA (25)(CD,S) D F Davis 4 9 8.....T P Queally 81
(3) 10) 5052 AL AMEEN (7)(A)(B,T) J Fanshawe 5 9 8.....D Muscatt 79
(4) 1) 4625 MUMAYAZ (19)(D2,A,G)(T) A Carroll 5 9 7.....Jack Doughty (5) \*83
(5) 7) 4211 BUY THE DIP (12)(D,A,G) J Boyle 4 9 7.....P Cosgrave 76

- (6) 453- MAZZENO (215) A West 5 9 3.....K O'Neill 79
(7) 216- GUILTEAU (237)(D,A) D F Davis 4 9 2.....R Clutterbuck 80
(8) 9) 6143 ELECTRIC AVENUE (22)(D,G) G Baker 4 9 1.....DOUBTFUL
(3) 2003 OTAGO (9)(CD2,D3,G,S)(P) J Boyle 7 9 0.....C Bennett 80
(5) L00L RABINAL (31)(D2,A,G) S Dow 5 8 12.....C Howarth (3) 71

Star Betting: 3 Buy The Dip, 9-2 Al Ameen, 6 Otago, 7 Mumayaz, Conquest Of Power, 8 Mazzeno, 10 Guiteau, Vinaka, 14 others, 2023: Redredrobin 6 9, W Carson 11-4 Jifav (M Saunders), drawn (2), 8 ran.

STARFORM: MUMAYAZ DANGER: Buy The Dip

8.25 BETFRED 'BET BUILDER' HANDICAP
Class 5 1m 113yds (6 runners) £4,449

- (4) 2321 BLUEFLAGFLYINGHIGH (7)(G)(P) M Bell 4 10 4...J Bradman (7) \*78
(2) -523 CHIPS AND RICE (25)(A,G,S) J Fanshawe 5 10 2...D Muscatt 77
(3) 3116 LOCAL BAY (23)(BF,A,G) A Carroll 6 9 8.....Jack Doughty (5) 76
(4) 2422 TAYALA (15)(A) E Walker 3 9 4.....K Stott 74
(5) 30L RIVER ALWEN (21)(G,S)(B) Craig Benton 6 9 4.....C Bennett 62
(6) 532- SPEED COURT (304) Harry Eustace 3 9 1.....Kaiya Fraser (5) 71

Star Betting: 11-8 Blueflagflyinghigh, 4 Tayala, Chips And Rice, 6 Speed Court, 8 Local Bay, 20 River Alwen, 2023: Desfordado 3 9 3, P Bradley(3) 10-3 (S Dow), drawn (7), 8 ran.

STARFORM: LOCAL BAY DANGER: Speed Court

9.00 SUMMER EVENING RACING MASSAOKE H'CAP
Class 6 3YO 1m 2f (6 runners) £3,402

- (2) 0004 COMMANDER CROUCH (112)(A)(P) J Boyle 9 11...P Cosgrave 73
(6) 0510 STRIVE (38)(A)(H) D M Simcock 9 10.....Georgia Dobie (5) 67
(3) -503 SAACHI (28) Harry Eustace 9 8.....Kaiya Fraser (5) 70
(4) 2423 NELLO COTAI (25)(P) A West 9 8.....K O'Neill \*74
(5) 1) 30 REMARKABLE FLIGHT (31)(D,G) C Hills 9 3.....W Cox 71
(1) 0315 CHARLES MORIN (31)(G)(P) P Phelan 9 2.....P Bradley 72
(4) 03-1 MUY BARATO (2) S Dow 9 0.....DOUBTFUL

Star Betting: 9-4 Charles Morin, 3 Hello Cotai, 4 Saachi, 6 Strive, Commander Crouch, 12 Remarkable Flight, 2023: Ectocross 8 13, Joe Fanning 8-1 (S Dow), drawn (4), 6 ran.

STARFORM: REMARKABLE FLIGHT DANGER: Strive

JASON HEAVEY STAR TIP
Sir Joseph Swan 2.35 Grifter
Myboymax 3.10 Swift Tuttle
Mission Command 3.45 Chancellor
Flowstate 4.20 Air Force Indi
Snazzy Jazzy 4.55 So Logical
Chatty 5.30 Chatty
Frank The Spark (nap) 6.00 Hurt You Never

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

2.35 AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP (DIV 1)
Class 6 1m 6f 115yds (10 runners) £3,576

- (1) 2-52240 MARBUZET (12)(G,S)(B) T Easterby 5 11 3.....Mr T Easterby (5) 54
(2) 213-455 CHERRY COLA (14)(G,S) Miss S West 8 11 1.....DOUBTFUL
(3) 2) 11025/3 LINDWALL (14)(A) M & D Easterby 6 10 11.....Miss Serena Brotherton 49
(4) 4) -31210 ZEPHYLN (14)(A) Ewan Williams 5 10 10.....Mr E Cagney 53
(5) 5240-00 MRS MEADER (22)(G,S) J Feilden 8 10 10.....Miss S Bowen\*57
(6) 9) 54L-44 GRIFTER (16)(G) J Candlish 5 10 8.....Mr S Walker 55
(7) 8) -0L6640 CHAMPAGNE CITY (28)(C,G,S)(P) B Brookhouse 11 10 7.....Miss Stephanie Dorey (5) 55

Star Betting: 11-4 Marbuzet, 9-2 Lindwail, 9-2 Chatty, 6 Grifter, 7 Zephyln, 14 Sir Joseph Swan, 16 Champagne City, 20 others, 2023: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: MARBUZET DANGER: Champagne City

3.10 AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HAND

# FIRM HOPES

## Donnacha wants drying conditions for Fortuna

**DONNACHA O'BRIEN** is on weather watch after declaring **Porta Fortuna** for tomorrow's Group One Tattersalls Falmouth Stakes - in spite of a "not ideal" racing surface on Newmarket's July Course.

O'Brien warned the daughter of Caravaggio, who thrived on 'good to firm' going to capture the top-level Coronation Stakes at Royal Ascot last month, would miss the fillies' test in the event of testing conditions.

A total of 29mm of rain fell on Tuesday, two days before the start of the three-day July Festival, which begins today on ground described as 'good to soft, soft in places'.

But Porta Fortuna, ridden for the first time by Ryan Moore - Tom Marquand was on board at Royal

by DAVID YATES

Ascot and for a neck defeat by Elmalka in the 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket in May - was among a seven-strong final field yesterday morning.

"The soft ground is not ideal but we're hoping it will dry out before the race," said O'Brien (*inset*), whose stable star heads William Hill's betting at 13-8 (from 6-4).

"If the ground dries out somewhere close to 'good', we think she has a big chance.

"She's in good form - everything has gone well with her since Ascot."

Newmarket clerk of the course Andrew Morris reported yesterday: "We've had a dry day to day.

"It should be dry up to the start of racing tomorrow and I hope we will be back to 'good to soft' all round. The track has taken the rain really well and hopefully it will continue to improve."



**GOING CONCERNS:** Porta Fortuna would welcome good ground at Newmarket tomorrow

# Hamish has the Will to succeed

**HAMISH (3.35)** can add a Group Two victory to his laudable CV in the Princess of Wales's Stakes at Newmarket today. William Haggas' consistent charge has held his rating of 117 since the end of 2022 and notched up eight Group Three victories.

Beaten only a length by Luxembourg in the Coronation Cup, Hamish finished with a real flourish. Back in Group Two level on a more conventional track, Hamish can go well again.

**ANCIENT WISDOM (1.50)** will appreciate the cut in the ground as he returns to action in the Bahrain Trophy Stakes.

The winner of the Futurity Trophy on bottomless going at Doncaster last year, the charge of Charlie Appleby (*above*) found



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the going in this year's Derby not to his liking as he trailed in eighth. But switching up to a mile and five furlongs here, Ancient Wisdom can put his name into the early St Leger mix.

The vote for the July Cup goes to Irish raider **WHISTLE-JACKET (2.25)**. He disappointed when fourth in the Norfolk Stakes at Royal Ascot but this step back up to 6f looks the way to go.

In the Bet Boost at bet365 Handicap, **SERGEANT WILKO (3.00)** is taken to continue his improved form this season, and is helped by having Oisín Murphy up top.



C - Carlisle	Beechwood Star.....C 4.28	Chips And Rice.....E 8.25	Ellaria Sand.....Nb 5.50	Glamorous Jewel.....Nb 4.50	
D - Doncaster	Berrygate.....C 2.45	Clifford Heaven.....D 3.10	Elmonjon.....Nb 3.00	Great Max.....D 5.50	
E - Epsom	Billboard Star.....Nm 2.25	Commander Crouch.....E 9.00	Emily Post.....Nb 8.45	Grey Owl.....D 2.35	
Nb - Newbury	Blueflagflyhigh.....E 8.25	Concierge.....Nb 7.00	Enchanted Way.....E 6.40	Grifter.....D 8.35	
Nm - Newmarket	Bold Style.....Nm 4.45	Conquest Of Power.....E 7.50	Escape Act.....D 5.30	Guiteau.....E 7.50	
Abu Royai.....Nb 8.10	Bolly Dolly.....E 6.40	Continuance.....Nb 8.45	Etretat.....C 5.03	Gundogan.....E 4.28	
Adoon Valley.....Nm 4.10	Brave Empire.....Nm 3.00	Cooperation.....Nb 7.00	Evelyn's Phoenix.....C 5.03	Hamish.....Nm 3.35	
Ain't Nobody.....Nm 2.25	Braveheart Boy.....C 2.45	Corriano.....Nb 6.25	Fahrenheit Seven.....E 7.15	Hammer The Hammer D 3.45	
Air Force Indi.....D 4.20	Brian.....Nb 6.25	Crest Of Esteem.....D 3.45	Fast Deal.....D 2.35	Hannasboy.....Nb 7.35	
Al Ameen.....E 7.50	Bustamam.....C 2.10	Cuban Cigar.....D 2.35	Fear And Fast.....D 3.45	Harry's Halo.....Nb 7.00	
Al Khawanej River.....Nb 8.45	Buy The Dip.....E 7.50	Cypriot Diaspora.....C 3.20	Fictional.....Nb 8.45	Haworth Star.....C 2.45	
Al Musamak.....Nm 4.45	Byzantine Express.....C 3.20	Dark Vintage.....Nm 3.00	Fierce.....E 7.15	Hello Cota.....E 9.00	
Allonsy.....E 6.05	Cabrillo.....D 4.55	Dayman.....Nb 7.00	Fly Nifty.....Nm 5.20	Helm Rock.....Nm 5.20	
Alzahir.....Nm 5.20	Can Can Girl.....D 3.10	Delagate This Lord.....D 6.00	Fleetwater.....Nb 5.50	Hot Like Me.....Nm 4.10	
Ancient Wisdom.....Nm 1.50	Capote's Dream.....E 7.15	Delicacy.....D 5.30	Flowstate.....D 4.20	Hour By Hour.....C 2.45	
Amorri City.....Nm 2.25	Captain Haddock.....D 3.10	Different Drum.....Nb 7.35	Forest Gate.....Nb 7.35	Hundred Caps.....D 3.45	
Apulia.....C 3.55	Cardcock.....Nb 6.25	Doctor Vuby.....D 6.00	Forest Hills.....Nb 8.45	Hurt You Never.....D 6.00	
Aramram.....Nm 3.00	Castle Cove.....Nb 7.35	Dorney Lake.....Nm 3.00	Formby.....D 6.00	Hy Brasil.....Nb 8.45	
Arrest.....Nm 3.35	Castro Aurum.....Nb 5.50	Double Jump.....Nb 8.10	Frank The Spark.....D 6.00	Inspiral Guard.....Nm 3.20	
B Associates.....D 3.45	Champagne City.....D 2.35	Dream Voyage.....Nm 4.10	Freewheelin.....D 3.10	Inconspicuous.....D 2.10	
Balaged.....E 6.40	Chancellor.....D 4.55	Dynamite Diva.....Nb 2.50	Funnalthrow.....Nb 6.25	Individualism.....C 6.10	
Barry's Boy.....Nb 6.25	Chances Morin.....E 4.00	Ebony Maw.....D 3.10	Geo.....D 5.50	Inner Temple.....D 4.55	
Bateman.....C 4.28	Chatty.....D 5.30	Edgewater Drive.....C 2.45	Get The Music On.....D 4.55	Invincible Navy.....Nb 7.00	
Beale Street.....C 4.28	Cherry Cola.....D 2.35	Electric Avenue.....E 7.50	Giavellotto.....Nm 3.35	Iris Dancer.....C 3.20	
		Electrolyte.....Nm 2.25	Giselles Defence.....Nb 8.10	Istanbul.....D 4.20	

Jesmond Dawn.....C 2.45	Lenten Lily.....Nb 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Jesse Luc.....D 6.00	Lilly's Bet.....Nb 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Johnjay.....Nb 8.10	Lindwall.....D 2.35	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Jojo Rabbit.....D 6.00	Local Bay.....E 8.25	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Kaleidoscope Eyes.....Nb 5.50	Lumenbourg.....C 4.28	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Kate The Cook.....Nb 7.35	Magic Mild.....Nm 4.10	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Kinesiology.....Nm 1.50	Majestic Newlaw.....C 4.28	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
King Of The Jungle.....C 2.45	Mamba.....C 5.03	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Kitzy Foyle.....Nb 8.45	Marzubat.....D 2.35	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Kitzy Rose.....Nm 4.45	Maverick.....D 4.20	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Koroor.....D 5.30	Mayzeno.....E 7.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Kristal Klear.....C 2.45	May Blossom.....C 3.20	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Lady Chartwell.....C 2.65	Meismun Johnny.....E 7.15	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Lady Flora.....C 4.28	Milaika.....D 4.20	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Lady Justice.....E 6.40	Military.....Nm 3.00	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Laura Bay.....Nb 7.00	Millon Lily.....D 2.35	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Laura Bay.....Nb 7.00	Miss Fascinator.....Nm 4.10	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Lawn Ranger.....Nb 8.10	Miss Raincloud.....C 3.55	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50
Lead Artist.....Nm 4.45	Mission Command.....D 3.45	Maxi King.....D 5.50	Maxi King.....D 5.50

### TODAY'S ABC

Mister Knockout.....Nb 6.25	Palmar Bay.....Nm 3.00	Runniwid.....C 2.45	Springbok.....D 3.45	Valentia Island.....Nm 4.10
Moe's Legacy.....Nb 7.00	Pals Battalion.....D 6.00	Saachi.....D 6.00	Stapleford Park.....D 6.25	Valentineshold.....Nb 7.35
Mohave Dancer.....D 5.30	Patronage.....C 5.03	Salfwan.....Nm 5.20	Sterling Knight.....Nm 5.20	Vanish.....Nb 7.35
Monticello.....D 3.10	Pearl Of Windsor.....Nm 4.10	Scarlet Sunset.....E 6.40	Strive.....E 9.00	Vanish.....Nb 7.35
Mostar Dreams.....C 3.20	Perfect Ruby.....Nm 5.50	Sea Emily Run.....Nm 4.10	Studios.....D 3.45	Volto Di Medusa.....E 6.05
Moswaat.....Nm 3.00	Phoenix Star.....D 6.00	Secret Beach.....E 6.05	Suzette.....E 6.40	War Memorial.....C 4.28
Mount King.....C 2.10	Pine Cliffs.....Nb 6.25	Sergeant Wilko.....Nm 3.00	Swift Tuttle.....D 3.10	Watchya.....E 7.15
Mrs Meader.....D 2.35	Pinpoint.....C 2.45	Serving With Style.....C 3.55	Takes Time.....C 5.03	Watchya.....E 7.15
Mum's Called.....E 6.40	Portland.....Nm 1.50	Show Me A Hero.....E 6.05	Tayala.....E 8.25	West Kirby.....Nb 5.50
Mumayaz.....E 7.50	Queensland Boy.....Nb 8.45	Showalong.....D 6.00	Tempus.....Nm 5.20	Western Stars.....Nb 8.45
Musical Mystery.....D 4.55	Queue Dos.....Nb 5.50	Shy Hi Bye.....C 3.20	Teraab.....D 4.55	What Times Tea.....C 5.03
Muy Barato.....E 9.00	Rabinal.....E 5.50	Sidney's Son.....C 2.45	The Ice Phoenix.....Nm 5.20	Whistlejacket.....Nm 2.25
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Rajeko.....Nm 2.25	Silent Flame.....Nb 7.00	Think Of A Name.....Nb 6.25	White Umbrella.....C 2.45
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Rambuso Creek.....D 6.00	Silver Arrow.....Nm 6.25	Thiscoubefun.....Nb 5.50	Who Wants Me.....C 3.55
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Redredrobin.....Nb 7.00	Sir Joseph Swan.....D 2.35	Thunder Blue.....Nm 3.00	Wiggins B.....D 4.20
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Remarkable Flight.....E 9.00	Sir Lowry's Pass.....Nb 7.35	Time Lock.....Nm 3.35	Winnable.....D 4.55
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Repertoire.....Nm 5.20	Snaazy Jazzzy.....D 4.55	Tipsy Tiger.....Nb 8.10	Willy Campbell.....Nb 8.10
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Reposado.....D 3.45	So Logical.....D 4.20	Tourist.....D 4.20	Windcrack.....Nb 7.35
Myboymax.....D 3.10	River Alwan.....E 8.25	Socialite.....Nm 3.00	Tropical Island.....Nm 3.00	Windcrack.....Nb 7.35
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Roman Emperor.....C 2.10	Southbank.....E 7.15	Turing.....E 6.05	Woodhay Wonder.....Nm 3.00
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Roman Emperor.....Nm 3.00	Space Legend.....Nm 1.50	Twirling.....Nm 5.20	Zabriskie Point.....Nm 3.00
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Royal Observatory.....D 3.10	Sparkling Red.....D 6.00	Twitch.....E 7.15	Zadkiel.....D 3.45
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Royal Observatory.....D 3.10	Spear Fir.....D 6.00	Two Tribes.....D 6.00	Zamam Jemil.....D 6.00
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Royal Observatory.....D 3.10	Speed Court.....E 8.25	Unico.....Nb 7.00	Zephyrn.....D 2.35
Myboymax.....D 3.10	Royal Observatory.....D 3.10	Spellbinding.....D 4.20	Urban Sprawl.....Nm 5.20	Zizi.....Nb 5.50

## GREYHOUNDS

### SHEFFIELD

11.01 ROLO LOTTO (nap) (4).....Kilgarran Juliet (3)
11.18 FALLEYS SELECT (2).....Crystal Card (4)
11.34 BALLYMAC ARCHER (nb) (5).....Old Fort Jukebox (6)
11.52 BLASTOFF MAINOO (1).....Droopys Know How (2)
12.09 ABIGAILS PADJOE (2).....Morning Dawn (5)
12.26 ROSEHILL SYD (4).....Megs Promise (3)
12.42 DREAM KEEPER (2).....Canavour Con (5)
12.59 MAGNA PHOENIX (3).....Darbys Sunset (5)
1.17 WHYAYE PET (5).....Kilara Bundee (2)
1.33 COSY BOY (1).....Moveit Moveit (5)
1.51 CHOCTAW WILLOW (4).....Mustang Nancy (4)
2.07 AERO LUNA (3).....Tullymury Lacy (6)

### CRAYFORD

2.23 SHESOMETHINGELS (nb) (2).....Wicky Moe (4)
2.41 PRIME REACTION (4).....Kellsboro Roly (3)
3.01 QUARRYMAN (3).....Ronnies Quest (6)
3.19 TEACHERS TEMPEST (nap) (2).....Easy Tara (1)
3.38 BECKY KIKI (4).....Gizmo Bahoo (3)
3.57 YOULLALWAYSHAVME (4).....Magna Cashout (6)
4.16 LINDAS BUSTER (5).....Chelms Marley (2)
4.34 SWIFT LORENZO (2).....Killeheen Bridie (6)
4.53 ASHWOOD PESTANA (5).....Jaxx Hells Angel (4)
5.12 TIMAHOE BAMBI (3).....Ascot Jan (4)
5.31 DAME TRISHA (3).....Old Fort Amelia (6)
5.49 NICKY THE SECOND (2).....Slowlane Sandy (6)

## PERRY BARR

2.29 HEADFORD MISTY (4).....Firecrackerheid (2)
2.48 PORTHALL PAT (2).....Shortwood Cloud (4)
3.07 OAKFRONT GEM (nb) (5).....Millbank Pretty (1)
3.26 EILYS BLUE (2).....Brookend Scully (4)
3.44 COPPICE EBBY (2).....Shockwave Wicca (5)
4.03 LYNNIA STORM (3).....Limekiln Pam (1)
4.22 CRYSTAL CHICK (1).....Espirilt Lad (6)
4.41 LEAVE A LEGACY (5).....Blacklabel Sally (2)
4.59 BLAZEAWAY GEORGI (6).....Drumcrow Eric (3)
5.18 BENJI (2).....Shortwood Nancy (4)
5.37 SOOTY SOMETHING (nap) (3).....Faith In Paloma (2)
5.56 LADY LAZARUS (2).....Security Sam (3)

## KINSLEY

2.36 DERRYMORE JILL (nb) (6).....Oneforthegirls (2)
2.54 GRUMPY GLADYS (4).....Revilo Champ (5)
3.13 GRUMPY PUGWASH (3).....Sleepy Bale (6)
3.32 SAY GRACE (2).....Knockmant Salah (3)
3.51 SEBASTIAN (4).....Ballymac Estelle (3)
4.09 MY OLIVIA (3).....Seb Vet (1)
4.28 CANYA BEJOLLY (nap) (3).....Glenvale Beau (2)
4.47 GROUP GOLDIE LOX (1).....Broсна Suzy (2)
5.06 BALLYMAC RILEY (1).....Ratches Layla (4)
5.24 SUNSET DAYBREAK (3).....Ballymac Pria (2)
5.43 AIRLIE MOLLY (1).....Ferndale Bluebel (5)
6.02 TOBER GLORY (3).....Betsys Minnie (1)

## HOVE

6.08 DELICIOUS GOSSIP (nap) (4).....Antigua Guinness (5)
6.26 MARSTON JESS (1).....Treaty Willow (5)
6.42 CANDLEM PEARL (2).....Tolerance (4)
6.59 BLUESTAR BOSS (3).....Kerrs Lacey (2)
7.16 VOLTAGE FLYER (nb) (5).....Where Are You (1)
7.33 YOUR NOT ON (1).....Sportsmans Luke (6)
7.49 CARAMELS CREAM (5).....Biomaran (6)
8.07 SMOOTH AS SATIN (2).....Roanna Zara (1)
8.24 MOVING ON UP (4).....Swift Kenzo (3)
8.41 SPORTMANS PENNY (2).....Crokera Velcro (1)
8.59 TOUCHDOWN THEO (1).....Jossa The Dossa (3)
9.16 FUN LUVIN SUZIE (6).....Broncos Bulliet (4)

## MONMORE

6.14 SKYFALL TIKTOK (1).....Greige Oak Boy (6)
6.31 CROSSFIELD TILLY (5).....Ballygloss Magie (4)
6.48 WINTERFIELD EDDY (1).....Some Talker (5)
7.06 KUDA BRIDIE (5).....Winterfield Soot (3)
7.22 FAB FARM SID (3).....Coologue Pest (1)
7.39 MICHAELS DREAM (nap) (6).....Kilara Honey (1)
7.56 WYCHWOOD ROSE (3).....Bangon Betty (4)
8.13 SWIFT YAHOO (nb) (5).....Aero Chubby (1)
8.31 PLAZA TONI (4).....Bert Ted (3)
8.47 CROSSFIELD KEVIN (5).....Winterfield Moo (2)
9.04 NAVI SEAL (6).....Mitches Magician (5)
9.23 MEMORY TOKEN (3).....Millbank Silver (4)

## BAGS WINNERS AND PRICES

### HOVE

2.23: Adreamtoshare (6) 15-8 fav, Swift Yurt (2) 10-3, bf: £9.53, tri: (6-2-1) £0.00, 2.41: Kingdom Elite (1) 4-1, Soul Reason (6) 11-10 fav, bf: £11.91, tri: (1-6-5) £0.00, 3.01: Hopes Melody (1) 9-4 jt-fav, Droopys Dialogue (4) 5-2, bf: £9.67, tri: (1-4-5) £0.00, 3.19: Cutabovetherest (4) 5-4 fav, Oilcan Rona (6) 4-1, bf: £7.76, tri: (4-6-2) £22.37, 3.38: Bu Han Tag (6) 13-8 fav, Blueitscolor (2) 5-2, bf: £6.84, tri: (6-2-3) £0.00, 3.57: Consider It Done (1) 9-4, Antigua Paddy (4) 11-8 fav, bf: £6.38, tri: (1-4-6) £0.00, 4.16: Murraybirds Boy (5) 10-11 fav, Awareness (3) 7-1, bf: £9.45, tri: (5-3-2) £0.00, 4.34: Pocket Jet (2) 13-8 fav, Broadfieldbullet (3) 5-2, bf: £6.93, tri: (2-3-1) £0.00, 4.53: Swift Volt (5) 5-4 fav, Howareybebe (2) 6-1, bf: £10.46, tri: (5-2-6) £0.00, 5.12: Bingo Bullet (6) 4-5 fav, Airline Marina (4) 12-1, bf: £14.36, tri: (6-4-3) £0.00, 5.31: Bluestar Eclipse (3) 11-4, Punkrocksiouxie (1) 5-2 fav, bf: £11.48, tri: (3-1-2) £39.73, 5.49: Fank Rock Ivy (3) 11-10 fav, Cant Tell Alie (5) 7-2, bf: £6.23, tri: (3-5-2) £0.00.

### MONMORE

11.01: Noduff Tropicana (5) 9-4, Longacres Blanc (6) 11-8 fav, NR: Parsnip (res), bf: £6.65, tri: (5-6-3) £0.00, 11.18: Winterfield Guy (6) 2-1, Final Friend (1) 15-8 fav, NR: Werners Me Name (res), bf: £7.05, tri: (6-1-2) £0.00, 11.34: Hithelid, Lolly (2) 7-2, Emotional Time (1) 3-1, bf: £16.16, tri: (2-1-3) £0.00, 11.52: Winterfield Rae (1) 6-1, Rhythmic Tadpole (6) 11-10 fav, bf: £19.64, tri: (1-6-2) £50.87, 12.09: Jemimah (2) 3-1, Elderberry Flash (6) 8-1, bf: £34.80, tri: (2-6-3) £76.73, 12.26: Roxhill Merchant (1) 6-5 fav, Fastnet Chick (2) 12-1, bf: £17.08, tri: (1-2-6) £41.38, 12.42: Aero Claire (5) 3-1, Bloos Romantic (6) 14-1, bf: £41.68, tri: (5-6-2) £167.33, 12.59: Drumdit Milo (6) 11-10 fav, Vikings Lover (3) 6-5, bf: £2.81, tri: (6-3-4) £8.13, 1.17: Outer Limits (5) 7-2, Going Electric (1) 14-1, bf: £52.23, tri: (5-1-4) £125.16, 1.33: Hilton Mary (6) 2-1, Skyfall Diva (1) 6-1, bf: £15.45, tri: (6-1-5) £27.92, 1.51: Do It Taylor (4) 4-1, Elderberry Bliss (5) 4-1, NR: Halo June (res), bf: £25.26, tri: (4-5-1) £0.00, 2.07: Newinn Trigger (3) 9-2, Skyfall Sirius (1) 10-3, bf: £23.80, tri: (3-1-6) £61.51.

## NEWCASTLE

2.29: Bramble Revel (2) 4-1, Highview Nell (4) 5-1, bf: £33.23, tri: (2-4-5) £118.92, 2.48: Romeo Report (2) 7-2, Shockwave Polar (5) 3-1 fav, bf: £19.10, tri: (2-5-4) £53.50, 3.07: Robbies Bear (5) 7-1, Over To Clover (4) 4-1, bf: £51.95, tri: (5-4-2) £141.42, 3.26: Tickets Bam (6) 5-2, Grouches Gift (2) 3-1, bf: £12.69, tri: (6-2-4) £40.66, 3.44: Goodnight Ash (3) 11-10 fav, Aegis Jud (4) 4-1, bf: £6.86, tri: (3-4-1) £23.11, 4.03: Bramble Floki (6) 7-2, Glangar White (2) 5-1,

## NOTTINGHAM SKY SPORTS

11.09 (A3) 500m	1 6513 Claro (r) (ro).....29.98
	2 5224 Far Garrity (sa) (ro).....30.39
	3 1211 KELVA APOLLO (NAP) (r) (ep).....30.31
	4 321 Harwell Buster (sa) (ro).....30.73
	5 3552 Keane (sa) (wp).....30.52
	6 4653 Longacres Snout (wd) (ep).....30.58
	Star betting: 11-4 Cloro, 3 Kelva Apollo, 4 Far Garrity, Keane, 9-2 Harwell Buster, 6 Longacres Snout.
11.27 (D2) 305m	1 5236 Sassy Maid (r) (ep).....18.21
	2 5261 Drumalee Holly (md) (ro).....18.46
	3 5153 Havana Country (r) (ro).....18.20
	4 4123 Let Me Fly (r) (fw).....00.00
	5 33 GREAT NOTIONS (md) (ro).....00.00
	6 3251 Locked Out (md) (ep).....18.37
	Star betting: 2 Let Me Fly, 7-2 Havana Country, Great Notions, 4 Locked Out, 5 Sassy Maid, 6 Drumalee Holly.
11.43 (A8) 500m	1 6221 RODDICKS BLUE (nb) (r) (ro).....31.55
	2 5321 Honour Connemara (wd) (fw).....31.41
	3 6362 Coney Camp Nou (wd) (ro).....31.91
	4 1561 Harwell Silver (md) (ep).....31.85
	5 425 Broome Hall (wd) (ep).....31.73
	6 3351 Lexis Ironman (wd) (ro).....31.54
	Star betting: 5-2 Honour Connemara, 3 Lexis Ironman, 4 Broome Hall, Roddicks Blue, 9-2 Harwell Silver, 6 Coney Camp Nou.
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# COUNTDOWN TO ROYAL TROON

# RETURN OF THE MAC

## Revived Rory vows to rise from the Pinehurst ashes

**RORY McILROY has fired back at post-Pinehurst criticism.** ■ by CRAIG SWANN

But as he opened up on the deep hurt of his US Open disaster, the days of fall-out in Manhattan and his desire to make immediate Major amends at Royal Troon next week, he cited a career theme of hitting back hard from painful moments.

McIlroy returns to action today at the Genesis Scottish Open for the first time since he blew it in North Carolina (*below*).

*The Northern Irishman was criticised in the aftermath and caddy Harry Diamond was also firmly in the firing line.*

But he said: "It's certainly unfair. I just wish that these guys that criticise when things don't go my way, they never say anything good when things do go my way. So where were they when I won Dubai earlier this year?"

Or Quail Hollow? Or the two FedEx Cups that I've won with Harry? Or the two Ryder Cups or whatever?

"Someone said to me once that if you would never take advice from these people, you would never take their criticisms, either. I think I know what I'm doing. So does Harry.

"When I look back on that day, just like I look back on some of my toughest moments, I'll learn a lot. It's something that's been a bit of a theme throughout my career.

"I've been able to take those tough moments and turn them into great things not very long after that."

McIlroy also dismissed criticism of his failure to speak publicly at Pinehurst as he disappeared into solace. Or New York, to be exact.

The 35-year-old, who bogeyed three of his final four holes to hand the US Open to Bryson DeChambeau, added: "It was a tough few days. I actually spent Monday night, Tuesday and Wednesday in Manhattan.

*"I was sort of alone with my thoughts for a couple days, which was good. Pinehurst on Sunday was like it was a great day until it wasn't. I've done a good job of thinking about it rationally and constructively."*

McIlroy can rectify Pinehurst at Troon and said: "Yeah, I stewed on what happened for a couple of days.

"Hopefully when I get that next opportunity, it won't pass me by. Hopefully handle it better than I handled it a few weeks ago."



**SCOT WHAT IT TAKES:** McIlroy is targeting success at Royal Troon next week

## I'm a Match for anyone in Blackpool



I MIGHT be making my 19th straight appearance in the World Matchplay this weekend in Blackpool, but this is the least I have ever taken my position in darts for granted.

I have been at the top of the game for two decades and I am really proud of that.

If you look at the world rankings from 2010, I am there in second place. Some bloke called Phil Taylor pipped me to the top. I don't remember him, he must have been a flash in the pan!

It was a challenge to qualify this time around, but it has made me even more determined never to be in that position again.

It is no secret that I love the World Matchplay. It is the first tournament that I won and I have been in a further five finals since.

Not many people will know this, but I still don't know who I am going to play, despite the fact the draw was made last week.

It is not really a superstition, it is more, with the greatest of respect, that the opponent is irrelevant.

If you prepare properly and do the right things at the right times, you will win. People have been beaten before they even get on stage by simply looking at the draw. I will find out who I play when I get to the venue and Sky Sports interview me.

I have prepared great this week. In the words of Elton John: 'Did you think this fool could never win? Look at me, I'm coming back again!'

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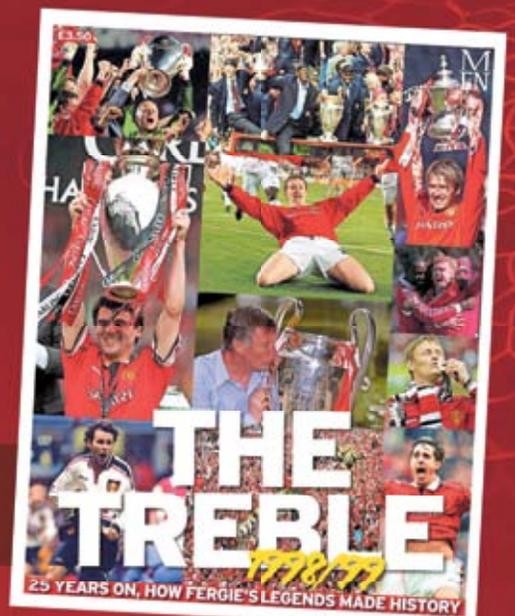
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# WIMBLEDON: DAY 10



**DAY OUT:** Russell with girlfriend Carmen Montero Mundt at Wimbledon yesterday

## Merces to Russell feathers

by DANIEL MOXON

GEORGE RUSSELL said Mercedes are "clearly back" in the hunt for regular race wins after Lewis Hamilton's Silverstone success.

Mercedes' struggles were a major factor in Hamilton's 945-day wait for a Formula One victory.

But he returned to the top step of the podium in front of his home fans after upgrades finally thrust his team back into contention.

Russell's victory in Austria a week earlier meant Mercedes scored back-to-back wins for the first time since 2021.

The 26-year-old did not finish at Silverstone after of a water systems problem with his car but is buoyed by the improvements.

He said: "It's incredible. Lewis (took the) win, but we had the car, in normal dry circumstances to be one-two. We're clearly back and we'll be fighting for race wins more often."

"Obviously, (the DNF) is a real blow, retiring from any race, never mind your home Grand Prix when you have the car to win, but we'll have another go."

Mercedes remain fourth in the constructors' championship but the gap to McLaren in third has narrowed to 74 points, while Ferrari are only seven further ahead.

# BREAK AND

# VANK PUTS THE FRESHNESS BACK

## Rested Djok can clean up

**NICK KYRGIOS believes Novak Djokovic winning back the Wimbledon title will be child's play because the "young guys" are not big enough to beat him.**

by NEIL McLEMAN

thing to happen for him with his knee, two days off, especially at his age, 37. I don't think you should doubt this man.

"He is a different type of athlete. We found a time ago that he wasn't human and we are still trying to figure out what he is."

"Right now, he looks to be probably the favourite in my eyes."

"After that match against Holger Rune, he is playing and moving the best I have ever seen him. If one of the young guys can dethrone him, I am waiting for it."

Musetti, 22, reached his first Grand Slam semi-final by outlasting Taylor Fritz 3-6 7-6 6-2 3-6-1.

The Queen's Club runner-up, who lost a five-set epic to Djokovic at the French Open at 3am, said: "He's a legend everywhere but especially here in Wimbledon. I expect a big, big fight. Let's see what happens."

World No.9 De Minaur became the 19th player to withdraw or retire during the tournament - a new Wimbledon record.

The Aussie, who suffered a tear to his cartilage, said: "It's devastating. I felt a loud crack during the last three points of my match against Arthur Fils."

The seven-time champion yesterday got a walkover into the semi-finals after Alex de Minaur pulled out with a hip injury.

And while world No.25 Lorenzo Musetti needed five sets to see off Taylor Fritz, the Serbian had a gentle hit at Aorangi Park with his kids Stefan and Tara.

He has not faced the hardest opponents all tournament after beating a qualifier, a wildcard and only one seed - world No.15 Holger Rune - in his last match on Monday night.

From being a serious doubt to even play here after having knee surgery on June 5, Djokovic is now only two wins from a record 25th Grand Slam singles title and equalling Roger Federer's record of eight Wimbledon wins.

**Carlos Alcaraz or Daniil Medvedev would await him in the final.**

But today he will prepare to play the world No.25 with his hitting partner Kyrgios (inset).

And the Aussie said: "For Novak, it's probably the best



**JUST WHAT THE DJOK ORDERED:** Djokovic relaxes with daughter Tara ahead of semi-final clash



## SHOW: Rybakina Elena's fit for a Queen

by NEIL McLEMAN

ELENA RYBAKINA gave a majestic performance on Centre Court - and admitted she did not know the Queen was there to watch.

The Kazakh-born Russian is favourite to be crowned the new champion after ending Ukrainian Elina Svitolina's emotional run.

The 2022 winner needed only 61 minutes to triumph 6-3 6-2.

Told Camilla was in the crowd, the world No.4 said: "Oh wow, I didn't even see it. That's amazing."

"I am really pleased with the way I played. It is always tough to play against Elina."

Svitolina, who wore a black ribbon in her fourth-round win to mourn the victims of a missile attack on a children's hospital in Kyiv, said: "The support Ukraine has been getting from the UK has been really unbelievable."

### RESULTS SERVICE



**Men's Singles Qtr-finals: (25) L Musetti (Ita, left) bt (13) T Fritz (USA) 3-6 7-6 (7-5) 6-2 3-6 6-1. (2) N Djokovic (Ser) bt (9) A De Minaur (Aus) w/o.**  
**Women's Singles Qtr-finals: (31) B Krejčíková (Cze) bt (13) J Ostapenko (Lat) 6-4 7-6 (7-4). (4) E Rybakina (Kaz) bt (21) E Svitolina (Ukr) 6-3 6-2.**  
**TODAY: Centre Court:** D Vekic (Cro) v (7) J Paolini (Ita), (31) B Krejčíková (Cze) v (4) E Rybakina (Kaz). **Court 1:** (1) M Granollers (Spa) & H Zeballos (Arg) v (15) M Purcell (Aus) & J Thompson (Aus), H Heliovaara (Fin) & H Patten (GB) v (9) N Skupski (GB) & M Venus (Nzl), S Gonzalez (Mex) & G Olmos (Mex) v M Willis (GB) & A Barnett (GB).

# RHINOS GOING FROM WORSE TO BRAD



**BRAD ARTHUR** reckons he can capitalise on his "unusual" situation and get Leeds firing after being appointed head coach until the end of the season.

The Aussie has joined on a short-term deal and should be in the country in time to see them face Warrington tonight.

Arthur (left), who bossed NRL side Parramatta for 10 years before being sacked in May, will work alongside current Rhinos assistants Chev Walker and Scott Grix.

Leeds have been looking for a new head coach since Rohan Smith was axed last month.

But sporting director Ian Blease still hasn't secured who he wants to take charge in 2025

by DAVE CRAVEN

## WARRINGTON v LEEDS

8pm, Sky Sports Action

and is keeping his options open. It could yet be Arthur, although he has been linked with prospective new NRL franchise Perth Bears, while Salford's Paul Rowley is a name that won't go away.

However, the fallen Super League giants are initially intent on simply rescuing this campaign.

They are only two points off the play-off spots after wins over Leigh and London since Smith's exit.

With 11 games to go, Arthur, who led Parramatta to the NRL

Grand Final two years ago, said: "I can't wait to get started. This is a unique opportunity to grow as a coach. I join the club aiming to help raise standards and expectations without disrupting the cohesion that is within the group already."

"Clearly the club wanted a change of direction. However, we have to realise Rhinos place a heap of importance on this season, not just future plans."

"There's a lot of footy still to be played and the chance to challenge for the play-offs, especially with the talent we have."

"As well as making the most of that opportunity, the work we are all able to do over the next four months will help set the

standards for the future and whatever lies ahead of myself and the club.

"It is an unusual situation but a fantastic opportunity for everyone."

Bleas only arrived at Headingley himself last month after leaving Salford and almost immediately oversaw Smith's exit.

He was impressed by Arthur's "aura" and "experience".

On the potential for him to sign long-term at Headingley, Bleas said: "We're still talking about that."

"That's obviously rumours about him and he's admitted to me he's still an NRL coach who rates himself as an NRL coach. All options are still open."

# CRICKET: FIRST TEST, DAY ONE



## STAR SHORTS

**FAST SHOW:** Debut star Gus Atkinson earns praise from captain Ben Stokes

### Jimmy's party crasher bags seven wickets



**ON THE day English cricket rolled out the red carpet for departing legend Jimmy Anderson, Gus Atkinson stole the show.**

■ by MIKE WALTERS

He struck with his second ball, Windies skipper Kraigg Brathwaite dragging on.

And when Kirk McKenzie edged to Crawley in the slips, Chelsea-born Atkinson became the first England bowler since Richard Johnson (6-33 on debut against Zimbabwe at Durham in 2003) to take two wickets before conceding his first run in Test cricket.

**Harry Brook's outstanding grab to dismiss Mikyle Louis brought England captain Stokes, restored as a front-line bowler after his winter knee surgery, his wicket before Atkinson turned it on.**

His removal of Alick Athanaze, Jason Holder (first ball) and Joshua da Silva made him the first Englishman to take three wickets in a Test over since Stokes against Australia in Sydney 10 years ago.

Jamie Smith, Atkinson's county team-mate and fellow England debutant, took a fine tumbling catch to send Da Silva packing. For a lad who isn't even first choice behind the stumps at Surrey, his glove work was excellent.

It gave Atkinson his fifth wicket just 53 balls into his Test career – and no England bowler has made it on to the Lord's honours board (for five wickets or more) in fewer deliveries.

When Ollie Pope clung on to another blinder at short backward point to remove Kavem Hodge, West Indies had lost four wickets for no runs in eight balls.

After Atkinson accounted for Alzarri Joseph and Shamar Joseph, Anderson (left in commemorative boots), finally came to his party with a 701st Test wicket, pinning last man Jayden Seales leg before.

Ben Duckett fell early in England's reply, but Pope's 70-ball half-century had taken England into the lead inside 27 overs before he was yorked by Holder.

And Crawley looked set for a fifth Test century until he was beaten for pace by Seales.

Atkinson destroyed West Indies with 7-45, the second-best figures by an England bowler on Test debut, including three wickets in four balls.

Nudging 90mph on the speed gun, bowling wicket to wicket and hurrying the batsmen, Atkinson hustled out the Windies for just 121.

By the close of play, England were sailing over the horizon on 189-3 in reply, already 68 in front, with Zak Crawley's dashing 76 leading the charge.

Anderson's family – wife Daniella, daughters Lola and Ruby, father Michael and mum Catherine – were afforded the honour of ringing the bell before start of play. Then England's greatest bowler of all time passed the torch to Atkinson.

**From 88-3, the Windies lost their last seven wickets for 33 runs in eight overs as the 26-year-old Surrey pace bowler produced England's best analysis on debut since Dominic Cork's 7-43 in 1995.**

After Ben Stokes had won the toss, Anderson – bowling out in his 188th Test – had no joy with the new ball, but as soon as Atkinson entered the attack England were cooking.



SCOREBOARD	
LORD'S: England lead West Indies by 68 runs with seven first-innings wickets in hand	
WEST INDIES: First Inns	
K Brathwaite b Atkinson	6
M Louis c Brook b Stokes	27
K McKenzie c Crawley b Atkinson	1
A Athanaze c Root b Atkinson	23
K Hodge c Pope b Woakes	24
J Holder c Brook b Atkinson	0
J Da Silva c Smith b Atkinson	0
A Joseph c Woakes b Atkinson	17
G Motie not out	14
S Joseph c Pope b Atkinson	0
J Seales lbw Anderson	2
Lb7	7
<b>Total (41.4 overs)</b>	<b>121</b>
Fall: 34, 36, 44, 88, 88, 88, 106, 106.	
Bowling: Anderson 10.4-3-26-1, Woakes 11-2-29-1, Atkinson 12-5-45-7, Stokes 8-2-14-1.	
ENGLAND: First Inns	
Z Crawley b Seales	76
B Duckett c Da Silva b Seales	3
O Pope lbw Holder	57
J Root not out	15
H Brook not out	25
Lb9 nb4	13
<b>Total (3 wkts., 40 overs)</b>	<b>189</b>
Fall: 29, 123, 153.	
Bowling: A Joseph 10-1-66-0, Seales 9-1-31-2, S Joseph 9-1-42-0, Holder 10-0-38-1, Motie 2-0-3-0.	
Umpires: N Menon & R Tucker.	

# MOVE ALONG THE GUS

ENGLAND hero Gus Atkinson glanced up at his name on the dressing room honours box and said: "It's more than I could have dreamed." Atkinson's 7-45 propelled him into exalted company among just seven England bowlers to take seven wickets on Test debut. And when he took his fifth wicket, just 53 balls into his Test career, he made it on to the Lord's honours board faster than any Englishman. "It hasn't really sunk in yet," he said. "I was a bit

## ATKINSON LORD'S IT UP

■ by MIKE WALTERS nervous and emotional first thing, but it was amazing having my family – my dad, brother, sister and aunt – there when I was presented with my cap. If you had asked me what I would want for a perfect day, that would be pretty much at the top. "To be out there alongside Jimmy (Anderson) was incredible and walking through the Long Room, with

him leading us on to the pitch, was a surreal moment. "It's pretty cool just to have a five-for on my debut at Lord's, but if I've done it quicker than any other England player, it's more than I could have dreamed." West Indies assistant coach Jimmy Adams said: "They were pretty friendly bowling conditions early on and England didn't give us many freebies."



**HIGH FIVE-FOR:** Jimmy Anderson (right) shares the joy with Gus Atkinson

## Eubank in hit list

■ **BOXING** CHRIS EUBANK JR insists he still wants to face Canelo Alvarez, despite opting to sign a new deal with UK promoter Boxer. He was in talks to face Canelo in September but it now seems contractually unlikely. When asked of his targets, Eubank Jr said: "Canelo Alvarez, Terence Crawford, Conor Benn, Billy Joe Saunders."

## Saturday specials

■ **RUGBY UNION** SIX NATIONS bosses are ready to scrap Friday and Sunday games and put on five 'Super Saturdays' in the future. Currently the final fixtures are all played on the same day with staggered kick-off times and organisers are keen to do that each round. From 2026 that would mean an end to Friday travel chaos and flat Sunday games.

## ANSWERS

**YESTERDAY'S SPORTWORD**  
Across: 1 Bradford; 6 Jette; 7 Milos; 9 Nash; 10 Andone; 12 Kerkez; 14 Ebor; 17 Rodal; 18 Steer; 19 Newhouse.  
Down: 2 Rufus; 3 Drew; 4 Ormond; 5 Dulko; 6 Jancker; 8 Shearer; 11 Yellow; 13 Rodon; 15 Brees; 16 Oslo.

**FIVE FOR FUN**  
1 Jasmine Paolini, 2 Tim Gajser, 3 Ireland, 4 Rapid Bucuresti, 5 Josh Griffin, Jermaine McGillvary, and Oliver Pratt.

## Some joy for Jonas

JONAS VINGEGAARD beat his rival Tadej Pogacar in a two-man sprint after a brutal day in the mountains – just three months after lying in a hospital bed with broken ribs and a collapsed lung. Pogacar, the Tour de France leader, kept the yellow jersey but the two-time defending champion earned a psychological victory at the end of an epic battle in the Massif Central. The pair left all their rivals in their wake and Vingegaard, after closing a big gap to Pogacar in a brutal climb, outsprinted his rival in Le Lioran to finish half a wheel ahead for the stage win. "It is of course very emotional for me. Coming back from the crash," said the Danish rider, trying to hold back tears. "It means a lot. All the things I went through in the last three months, it makes you think of that." Pogacar leads with Remco Evenepoel 1min 6secs behind and Vingegaard in third, 1min 14secs back.

# Sissoko signs up

■ by SIMON CASS

TOM CLEVERLEY reckons Watford have made a "statement signing" after bringing midfielder Moussa Sissoko back to the club on a two-year contract.

The former France international joins on a free transfer following the expiry of his contract at Ligue 1 side Nantes.

The 34-year-old will be reunited with his former team-mate and now manager Cleverley, having played for the Hornets in their 2021-22 Premier League campaign.

Cleverley said: "It's a statement signing. It shows you the ambition that myself and the club have got moving forward."

"He brings a real powerhouse to the middle of the pitch and is someone I was pushing for to bring in. I'm delighted it's happened."

## FOOTIE FLASHES

● FORMER Liverpool ace Philippe Coutinho has joined Brazilian side Vasco de Gama on a season-long loan from Aston Villa.

● BOURNEMOUTH have signed forward Daniel Jebbison from Sheffield United on a four-year deal.

● DUTCH midfielder Kenzo Goudmijn has joined Championship side Derby on a four-year contract.

● CARDIFF are set to make ex-QPR winger Chris Willock their first summer signing.

● SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY have signed former Manchester United striker Charlie McNeill.

# Japhet's Den deal

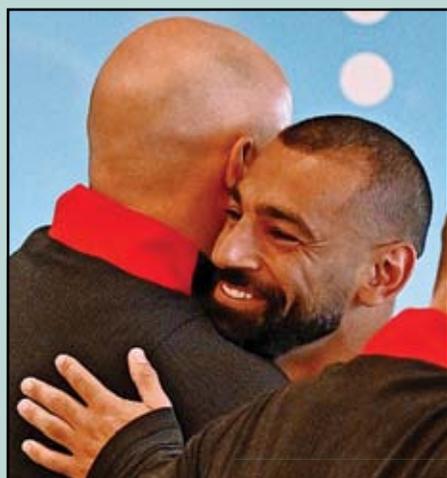
■ by SIMON CASS

MILLWALL have boosted their ranks after confirming a long-term deal with defender Japhet Tanganga.

The 25-year-old is already a familiar face at The Den, having spent the second half of the 2023-24 campaign on loan from Tottenham, making 18 appearances for the Lions and scoring twice.

Tanganga became a free agent after being released by Spurs last month and now joins Neil Harris' squad on a permanent basis - he will join up with his team-mates ahead of Millwall's pre-season friendly with Gillingham on Saturday.

The central defender will be suspended for the first three matches of the new Championship campaign due to a red card picked up on the final day of last season at Swansea.



**KOP THAT:** Mo Salah is embraced by new boss Arne Slot and shares a joke (right)



# MO SLOTS RIGHT IN

■ by CHRIS McKENNA

MO SALAH met with Arne Slot for the first time as the Liverpool star returned for pre-season training yesterday.

Salah, 32, arrived for fitness testing before beginning team training today. He was not involved in any major tournament this summer and so will undergo a full pre-season.

He has one year left on his contract but Liverpool have no intention of selling, having turned down £150m from Al-Ittihad last summer.

# Staveley in Toon ta-ra



**WALKING OUT:** Staveley

AMANDA STAVELEY is poised to quit Newcastle less than three years after brokering the Saudi deal which ended the Mike Ashley era.

Minority shareholder Staveley and her husband Mehrdad Ghodoussi have been the public face of Newcastle since the controversial takeover by the kingdom's Public Investment Fund.

Their imminent departures come just months after the Ripon-based businesswoman denied she was stepping down after diluting her own shareholding from 10

■ by IAN MURTAGH per cent to six per cent.

Staveley is cutting all her official ties with the club and will sell her remaining shares to the PIF and the Reuben brothers, who will strengthen their hold on the club. The former already have an 80 per cent stake.

Their exits will spark major change in the Toon boardroom, though there is no suggestion chairman Yasir Al-Rumayyan will follow them out, while chief executive Darren Eales is staying.

The club have made no official comment on the boardroom upheaval.

# SERIOUSLY football PREMIER LEAGUE

# DONNY AND DUSTED

## Dutch flop departs OT with heartfelt farewell

**DONNY VAN DE BEEK delivered an emotional farewell message to Manchester United fans after the end of his nightmare four-year spell at Old Trafford.**

■ by DAVID McDONNELL

Van de Beek, who joined from Ajax for £40m in 2020, only made 62 first-team appearances for United and scored just two goals, injuries and poor form blighting his time.

The former Holland international is joining La Liga side Girona in a permanent deal, with United getting an initial £400,000, with the total cost rising to £3.8m with add-ons.

On Instagram, Van de Beek said: "Today is a memorable day as my adventure at the club comes to an end."

"I want to thank you for all your support throughout the years. From the moment we arrived at Manchester United, we felt extremely welcome and we are grateful for that."

**"Thank you to everyone at the club for making us feel at home. A special thanks to all the fans that made these years unforgettable."**

"Besides the football, the birth of our two children here ensures that Manchester will always have a special place in our hearts. Good luck to everybody, we'll meet again."

Just five years ago, Van de Beek was

on the shortlist for the Ballon d'Or, after emerging as one of Europe's most exciting young talents at Ajax.

United fans were excited at what Van de Beek could deliver but his time at Old Trafford was an unmitigated disaster - for him and the club.

**In his debut season, the midfielder started just four Premier League matches and made no starts at all in his second campaign, joining Everton on loan in January 2022.**

But any hopes Van de Beek had of his old Ajax coach Erik ten Hag reviving his United career proved fanciful, as he continued to struggle for game time, knee surgery in January 2023 curtailing his season.

Last season injury struck again, ruling Van de Beek, 27, out for three and a half months, before going out on loan to Eintracht Frankfurt.

Meanwhile, United suffered a huge net loss of £71.4m between January and March this year - largely due to their early Champions League exit.

The heavy loss - compared to a deficit of £5.6m for the same three-month period last year - was also down to the fact there were nine fewer games at Old Trafford. But United are still predicted to enjoy a record-breaking revenue of £660m for the full year.



**GOT THE BLUES:** The Dutchman failed to make an impact at the Toffees



**EXIT DOOR:** Donny van de Beek's nightmare at Old Trafford is over

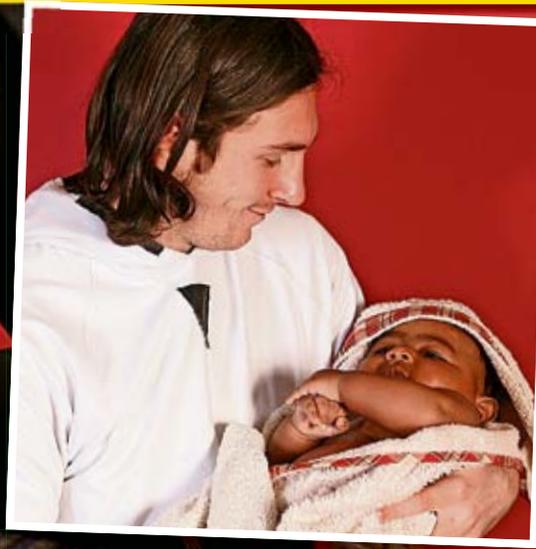
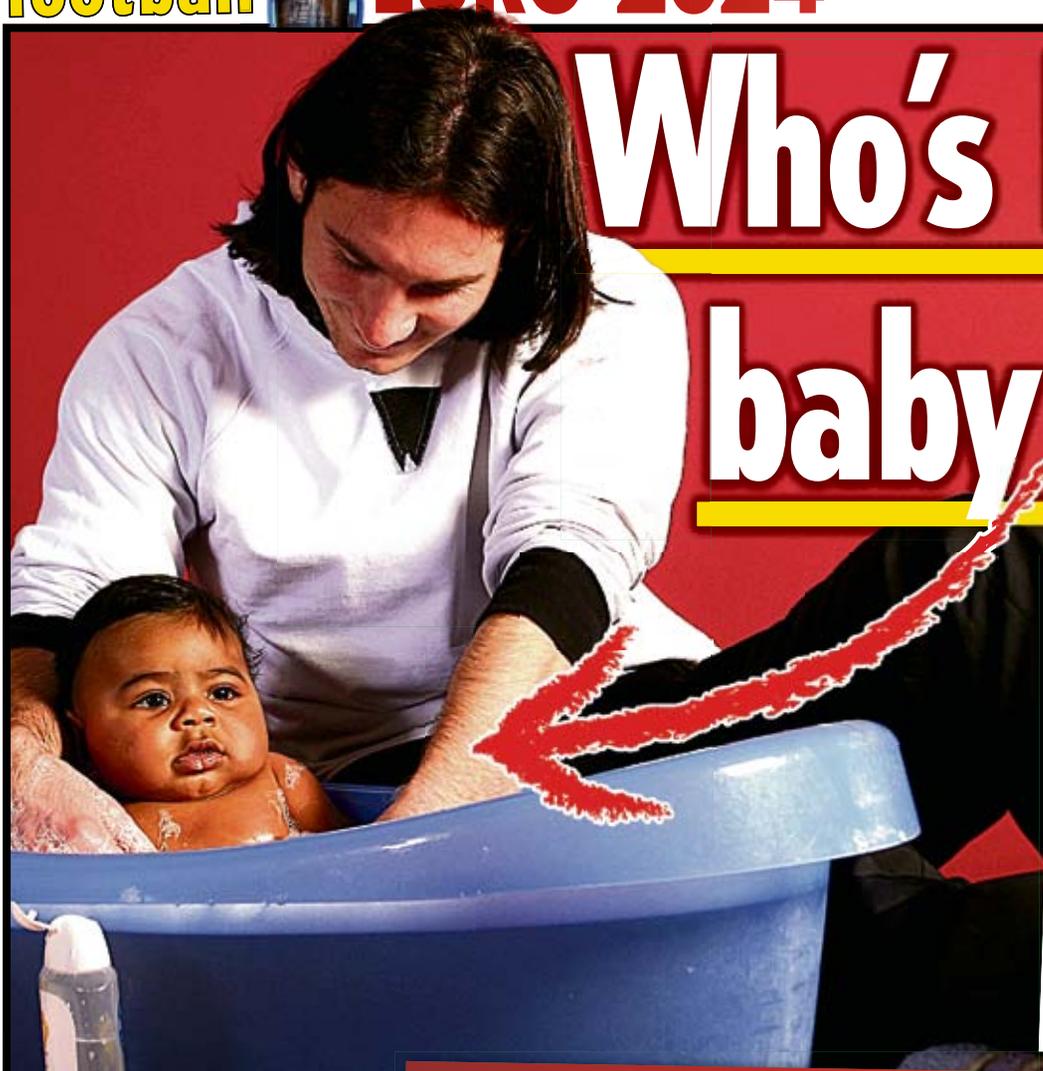
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**EURO 2024**



# Who's bathing baby Yamal?



**SPANISH wonderkid Lamine Yamal was touched by genius as a baby.**

The youngster, who has taken Euro 2024 by storm, famously had his photograph taken with Lionel Messi at a time when the Argentina striker was just embarking on the road to superstardom.

Yamal, who will celebrate his 17th birthday preparing for Sunday's Euro final, was just a few months old when he was given a cuddle by Messi during a photo-shoot for a charity calendar.

*Another pic shows the eight-time Ballon d'Or winner splashing football's latest pretender in the bathtub alongside the player's mother, Sheila Ebana.*

Mum was in the stadium on Tuesday night and broke down in tears when her son scored one of the goals of the tournament as Spain beat France to book a date with destiny in Berlin on Sunday.

Spain captain Rodri, who has probably been his country's best player in Germany, despite Yamal

## ...IT'S 20-YEAR-OLD LIONEL MESSI!

■ **from SIMON MULLOCK in Dortmund**

grabbing the glory, said: "I am very, very proud of him.

"People will hold on to the goal, that sudden starring moment from a kid who is 16. And you have to have enormous quality to be able to do that, and doing it in a semi-final speaks to the player he is, the incredible future he has. Very few players can do that.

"But I hold on to his defensive commitment, the support he gave team-mates, how he closed off spaces, the oxygen he gave us. How complete his game was."

Spain's players could not hide their delight when Yamal showed he has another side to his game that illustrated how quickly he is learning the ropes.

Yamal's strike made history. He is the youngest player to score a goal at the Euro finals - and in the

last minute of the game he became the youngest-ever player to be booked for a cynical trip on Theo Hernandez.

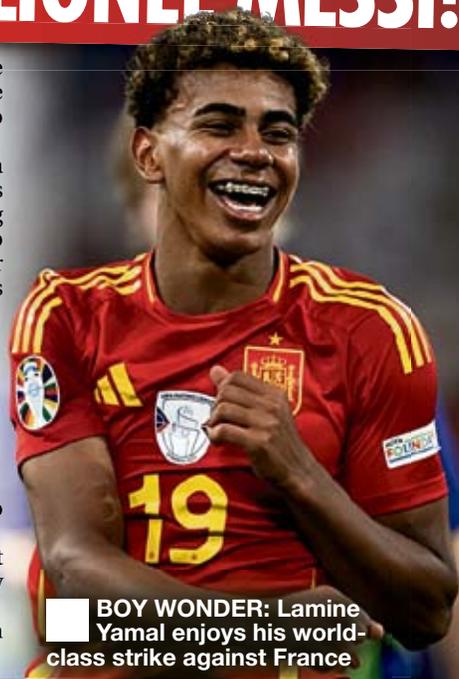
Yamal, who made his Barcelona debut at the age of 15, brought his homework to the Euros after being given a personal tutor to help guide him through his fourth year at school. He has passed his exams with flying colours.

*The winger said: "I can concentrate on the Euros. I had hoped that my first goal would be a great goal.*

"The last Euros Spain played in, I watched at a shopping centre with my mates. Now I want to enjoy being here. I was talking to my mum and she's so happy.

"I've told my mum she doesn't need to get me anything for my birthday.

"I've already got the final, which is my dream and hers too."



**BOY WONDER:** Lamine Yamal enjoys his world-class strike against France

## IT'S HEIMIR-ISH

HEIMIR HALLGRIMSSON has been appointed as the new head coach of the Republic of Ireland.

He replaces interim manager John O'Shea, who has been in charge since Stephen Kenny's departure in November last year.

Hallgrímsson (*inset*) has pedigree on the international stage, having managed Iceland and Jamaica.

He was joint Iceland coach with Lars Lagerback from 2013 - a spell which included their famous Euro 2016 win over England.

He said: "It is an honour to be appointed head coach, Ireland is rightly a proud footballing nation."



## Craig's out to ditch bad boy image

**CRAIG BELLAMY** is determined to banish the general perception of him as he steps into his first senior management role with Wales.

Bellamy courted controversy on and off the pitch during a colourful playing career.

He won 78 Wales caps between 1998

■ **by RICHARD LEWIS** and 2013 and seemed to get into as many scrapes as he scored Premier League goals for the likes of Liverpool, Manchester City and Newcastle.

And he believes coaching experience at Anderlecht and Burnley has prepared him for a four-year Wales deal.

"I understand the perception of me," said Bellamy (*left*).

"Lack of experience and temperament were thrown at me in the past.

If I've made mistakes, I have apologised and learned from them.

"I put myself under more scrutiny than anyone.

"I am determined to be the best I can be.

Bellamy cut his coaching teeth at the Cardiff academy before joining Vincent Kompany, first in Belgium and then at Burnley.

He declined the chance to assist new Claret's boss Scott Parker as Wales came calling.

## Mystic Mug



*He talks a load of crystal balls...*

**TODAY** Jack Grealish tells fans about the joy of a football drinking game he's been playing on holiday during England matches. "Forward pass, vodka shot. Shot on target, tequila. My fave, Jager bombs for a successful one-v-one dribble, and so on. It is the driest two weeks I've ever had in Ibiza."

**TOMORROW**

After Pep 'call me' Godiola is hailed on Centre Court, the Voice of the Mysterons sends Arsenal boss Captain Black to Wimbledon but he returns in need of new balls after bumping into Vinnie Jones.



**SATURDAY** England's psychologist tries to boost trophyless Harry Kane by giving him a Kinder Surprise but it backfires when the Bayern Munich hitman opens it and there is no prize inside.

**SUNDAY** Finally the Euros are lit up and there are some real fireworks at the final in Berlin, just after the winning captain lifts the trophy.

**MONDAY** Pepe reveals he cried after Portugal's Euros exit because he would never see Ronaldo take a free-kick again, but was overwhelmed by his captain's words of comfort. "Don't worry, brother," said CR7. "I will come to your home and take three, to honour your shirt number, in your garden on your birthday." When asked his thoughts on this, Pepe said: "It's OK, I have already warned the neighbours to protect their windows."



**TUESDAY** A team of tech boffins create an AI simulation for Tottenham that allows supporters to live the dream by predicting results in the 2024-25 season. But Ange Postecoglou scraps the app after a test release to 100 fans ends with Spurs trophyless and outside the top four in all 100 seasons.

**WEDNESDAY** Arsenal, Chelsea, Liverpool, Man United, Man City and Spurs are still pointless in the European Super League.

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## ROUND OF 16

<b>GAME 37</b>	<b>GERMANY</b> <b>2-0</b>	<b>DENMARK</b>
Havertz 53 pen, Musiala 68		
<b>GAME 38</b>	<b>SWITZERLAND</b> <b>2-0</b>	<b>ITALY</b>
Freuler 37, Vargas 46		
<b>GAME 39</b>	<b>SPAIN</b> <b>4-1</b>	<b>GEORGIA</b>
Rodri 39, Ruiz 51, Williams 75, Olmo 83		Le Normand 18 og
<b>GAME 40</b>	<b>ENGLAND</b> <b>2-1 (aet)</b>	<b>SLOVAKIA</b>
Bellingham 90+5, Kane 91 ET		Schranz 25
<b>GAME 41</b>	<b>PORTUGAL</b> <b>0-0 (aet)</b>	<b>SLOVENIA</b>
PORTUGAL WIN 3-0 ON PENALTIES		
<b>GAME 42</b>	<b>FRANCE</b> <b>1-0</b>	<b>BELGIUM</b>
Vertonghen 85 og		
<b>GAME 43</b>	<b>ROMANIA</b> <b>0-3</b>	<b>HOLLAND</b>
Gakpo 20, Malen 83, 90+3		
<b>GAME 44</b>	<b>AUSTRIA</b> <b>1-2</b>	<b>TURKEY</b>
Gregoritsch 66		Demiral 1, 59



**SOB STORY:** Ronaldo in tears after penalty miss

## QUARTER-FINALS

<b>GAME 45</b>	<b>SPAIN</b> <b>2-1 (aet)</b>	<b>GERMANY</b>
Olmo 51, Merino 119		Wirtz 89
<b>GAME 47</b>	<b>HOLLAND</b> <b>2-1</b>	<b>TURKEY</b>
de Vrij 70, Mulder 76 og		Akaydin 35
<b>GAME 46</b>	<b>PORTUGAL</b> <b>0-0 (aet)</b>	<b>FRANCE</b>
FRANCE WIN 5-3 ON PENALTIES		
<b>GAME 48</b>	<b>ENGLAND</b> <b>1-1 (aet)</b>	<b>SWITZERLAND</b>
ENGLAND WIN 5-3 ON PENALTIES		



**HOSTS ON TOAST:** Spain celebrate v Germany

## SEMI-FINALS

<b>GAME 49</b>	<b>SPAIN</b> <b>2-1</b>	<b>FRANCE</b>
Yamal 21, Olmo 25		Muani 8
<b>GAME 50</b>	<b>HOLLAND</b> <b>1-2</b>	<b>ENGLAND</b>
Simons 7		Kane 18 pen, Watkins 90

## FINAL

<b>GAME 51</b>	<b>SPAIN</b> <b>V</b>	<b>ENGLAND</b>
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Olympiastadion Berlin **SUNDAY JULY 14, KICK-OFF 8PM** (Berlin)

# HE'S OUR KOBBIIE DAZZLER

## Mainoo at heart of Lions' thrilling present and future

**NOT unusually, an English player was squeezed by orange, surrounded by Dutch opponents.**

But this was no ordinary English player, this was the youngest to appear in the semi-finals of a major tournament.

This was Kobbie Mainoo. And he simply shimmied, feinted one way and then the other before slipping a delicious short pass into Phil Foden, whose shot was trapped on the line by Denzel Dumfries.

That was midway through a first half that was characterised by Bukayo Saka - arguably England's player of the tournament - tormenting the Dutch defence.

Mainoo is 19, Saka 22, Foden 24. Oh and then there is 21-year-old Jude Bellingham.

*Clearly, there are more immediate ramifications of this contest, but when Gareth Southgate has passed on the managerial baton, his successor will have a core of young players that would be envied by any other international coach.*

Against the orange, Mainoo showed the English future is bright.

His individual performance in the first 45 minutes was so accomplished that it was hard to believe it did not create the platform for an English half-time lead. It is the composure that first catches the eye, the

■ **from ANDY DUNN in Dortmund** willingness - no, the eagerness - to take the ball in difficult areas, a hallmark of the modern high-class midfielder.

Then, there is the directness, the steadfast refusal to take a safe, sideways or backwards option. On more than one occasion, that directness was screaming for more intelligent runs from team-mates.

And then there is a defensive diligence that saw him break up a promising Dutch attack that threatened to give Ronald Koeman's side an undeserved lead.

He even had time for an audacious reverse pass with the inside of his right heel that created another half-chance.

His understanding with Foden and with Saka grows with every game they play together. There is a conveyor belt of young English talent and these players will be the driving force of a new generation.

And Declan Rice does not turn 26 until

next year. Maybe under the next England manager, they might even be bolder, more adventurous, allowed to truly run free.

*Having said that, there was an irony about the Dutch breakthrough that will not be lost on Southgate.*

The calls from pundits and fans had been for England to be on the front foot, to press high, to commit more men to advanced areas. And early doors, that is what they did.

Alas, one of the unintended consequences was the Xavi Simons screamer, with Rice being left isolated in a deep central position.

OK, the strike was a beauty but in previous games the opponent would not have had that sort of space.

Still, at least it was a sign of an English positivity and, to a large extent, that positivity was generated by Mainoo and Foden, who was almost at his Footballer-of-the-Year best.

The Three Lions look set to be a tournament force for a long time to come.



**YOUNG GUNS:** Foden (left) and Saka wriggle past the mass Dutch defence



**INFORMATION STATION**

**European Championship Semi-final**  
**HOLLAND (1) ..... 1 ENGLAND (1)..... 2**  
 Simons 7 Kane 18 (pen) Watkins 90

**Copa America Semi-Final**  
**ARGENTINA (1) ..... 2 CANADA (0)..... 0**  
 Alvarez 23 Att: 80,102  
 Messi 52

**UEFA CHAMPIONS LGE—1st q'fying rd 1st Leg:** Borac L KF Egnatia L, Dinamo Minsk 0 Pyunik 0, Flora Tallinn 0 CM Celje 5, KI Klaksvik 2 FC O3 Differdange 0, Ludogorets 3 Dinamo Batumi 1, Ordabasy 0 Petrocub 0, Rigas FS 3 Larne 0, Slovan Bratislava 4 FC Struga 2.

**UEFA EUROPA CONFERENCE LEAGUE—1st q'fying rd 1st Leg:** Auda 2 B36 Torshavn 0, Velez Mostar 1 Inter D'Escaldes 1.

**FRIENDLIES:** Boreham Wood 0 Waterford 1, Cardiff 0 Kidderminster 1, Leek Town 1 Port Vale 0, Queen's Park 4 Celtic 6.

**CRICKET**  
**T20 BLAST SOUTH GROUP:** County Ground: Sussex 200-7 (20.0 overs); Hampshire 178 (19.1 overs; J M Coles 4-34). Sussex Sharks win by 22 runs.

**TODAY'S DIARY**

(7.45pm unless stated)  
**Europa League 1st q'fying rd 1st leg:** Botev Plovdiv v Maribor (7pm), Elfsborg v AE Pafos (6pm), Paks v Corvinul (6pm), Ruzomberok v Tobol (6pm), Sheriff v Zira IK (6pm), Wisla Krakow v Ljapi (7.30).  
**Europa Conference League 1st q'fying rd 1st leg:** Bala Tn v Paide Linnameeskond (7pm), Caernarfon Tn v Crusaders (6.30), FCB Magpies v Derry City (5pm), NK Bravo v Connah's Quay Nomads (5pm), Shelbourne v St Joseph's, Stjarnan v Linfield (8pm).  
**Friendly:** Chester FC v Stoke (7.45).

**CRICKET**  
**Women's 3rd T20 Int'nal:** England v New Zealand (Canterbury, 6.30pm).  
**T20 Blast - North Group:** Derbyshire v Lancashire (Derby, 7pm).  
 Worcestershire v Leicestershire (New Road, 5.30pm). Yorkshire v Durham (Headingley, 6.30pm).  
**South Group:** Essex v Kent (Chelmsford, 7pm). Gloucestershire v Middlesex (Cheltenham, 5pm).

**GOLF**  
**DP World Tour & USPGA Tour Scottish Open** (North Berwick).

**RUGBY LEAGUE**  
**Betfred Super League:** Warrington v Leeds (8pm).

**Scaloni's so proud**

by RICHARD LEWIS

ARGENTINA coach Lionel Scaloni praised his team after they booked their place in the Copa America final.

Goals in each half from Julian Alvarez and Lionel Messi were enough to see the defending champions win 2-0 against debutants Canada, managed by former Leeds boss Jesse Marsch.

Scaloni has already steered his team to the 2021 Copa America and World Cup a year later and described the latest success as "something to be proud of".

He added: "I think the team has done good things every game. It's impossible to be disappointed with these guys."

"My gratitude is all for the players. We have been praised. We have been successful. And to get here after that costs twice as much."

Inter Miami ace Messi (*inset*) described the success of the team as "insane", adding: "For those who remain from the old guard, it's beyond impressive that the national team is in another final."



SCAN ME

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**NOO ORDER:** Kobbie Mainoo glides through a midfield sea of Oranje



**HOT SHOT:** Midfielder had this shot blocked



**MARKED MAN:** The Dutch were wary of Mainoo's threat on the ball

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## HOW THEY RATED



**FORMATION: 4-3-3**

### B VERBRUGGEN 7

Brighton's keeper produced two smart saves to deny Kane and Foden when England were on top. No chance for the penalty.

### D DUMFRIES 7

Gave away a penalty, produced a brilliant goal-line clearance and then struck the England crossbar with a powerful header.

### V VAN DIJK 7

Holland's captain produced some timely blocks and interceptions when his team were under the cosh. Still a class act.

### S DE VRIJ 6

Found the movement of England's midfield a real problem. Got better when Veerman came on to offer the Dutch more protection.

### N AKE 6

Really struggled to contain Saka and forced to ask Gakpo to drop in to help him out before Holland sat in to frustrate.

### T REIJNDERS 6

Another who found himself chasing shadows as the Three Lions dominated in the first half. Got better with Veerman's help.

### X SIMONS 7

Small in stature but not talent. The Paris St-Germain midfielder powered past Rice to blast the Dutch ahead from 20 yards.

### J SCHOUTEN 5

Didn't appear to know when to press and when to sit in - and often failed to do both. Offered up far too much space in middle.

### D MALEN 5

A threat with his pace whenever the Oranje were able to counter but replaced at the break by target man Weghorst.

### M DEPAY 4

Lasted 33 minutes before being forced off with injury - and gave a performance that Manchester United fans have seen in the past.

### C GAKPO 5

Not given a kick by the tenacious Walker and often forced to offer protection to Ake as Saka caused major problems.

### SUBS

Veerman for Gakpo 34, 7.  
Weghorst for Malen 46, 6.  
Brobbley for Simons 90.  
Zirkee for Dumfries 90.  
Unused: Bergwijn, Bijlow, Blind, De Ligt, Flekken, Frimpong, Geertruda, Gravenberch, Maatsen, Van de Ven, Wijnaldum.

**REFEREE: Felix Zwayer (Ger) 6.**

THEY THINK IT'S OLLIE OVER... IT IS NOW: Watkins scores late winner



# THE EDAM



**HARRY SPOTTER:** Bellingham hugs penalty scorer Kane

### WOULD you Edam and Eve it?

Gareth Southgate has led England to the final frontier, following a dramatic demolition of the Dutch in Dortmund.

A first showpiece game on foreign soil in Three Lions history. A final showdown with Spain in Berlin and the chance to finally become kings of Europe.

An opportunity to win only the second major trophy ever, after the glorious World Cup triumph of 1966.

Forget Holland, because Southgate and his England stars are the big cheeses now.

Remember when England thumped Holland 4-1 at Euro 96?

That is still remembered as one of the great performances but this

■ from JEREMY CROSS in Dortmund



was even better. On a seismic night of huge pressure, when all the flak of the last few weeks was put to bed once and for all.

**A biblical performance on a night of biblical weather, ending in two subs from Southgate combining to win it in the 90th minute of an epic contest.**

Take a bow Cole Palmer and goal hero Ollie Watkins.

Seven minutes was all it had taken for Holland to go ahead.

And it was quite a strike from Xavi Simons, who took advantage

of Declan Rice getting dispossessed, charging towards a static England defence before unleashing an unstoppable drive into the top corner.

It was the third time in succession England had gone behind in the knockout stages.

But that was as good as it was ever going to get for Holland.

Because once again, England hauled themselves off the canvas.

Bukayo Saka was doing his best to help England respond, and one weaving run led to a chance for Harry Kane, who blitzed a volley over the top.

But moments later he got another chance when referee Felix Zwayer awarded England a penalty following a VAR check after a high foot from Denzel Dumfries on Kane. It was never a penalty, but who



**VAR ORDER:**  
Dumfries catches Kane and VAR awards penalty



**SPOT ON:**  
Kane fires home his penalty

## HOW THEY RATED

**FORMATION: 3-4-2-1**

**J PICKFORD** **7**

No chance for Simons' goal. Spectator for much of the game but then produced an instinctive save to deny Van Dijk.

**K WALKER** **7**

Hasn't always been at his best in this tournament - but he was last night. Tight on winger Gakpo and always a willing attacker.

**J STONES** **7**

Another who returned to form at the right time. When Stones gets his passing right, he gives England much more impetus.

**M GUEHI** **7**

Returned to the team after suspension and justified his inclusion totally. Guehi has been a revelation during the tournament.

**K TRIPPIER** **6**

Deserves great credit for playing out of position and defensively sound. But if only he had a left foot to get those crosses in.

**K MAINOO** **8**

Another stellar performance beyond his years from the 19-year-old. Showed he is much more than a defensive midfielder.

**D RICE** **6**

Not strong enough when the Dutch took the lead but grew in stature to provide the midfield base for England to press.

**B SAKA** **7**

Gave the Dutch a torrid time with his trickery and pace and willingness to come in off the touchline but faded in second half.

**P FODEN** **7**

One effort cleared off the line, another clipped the outside of the post. Much better in a central role opposed to out wide.

**J BELLINGHAM** **7**

Asked to play on the left and didn't disappoint with a display that was full of discipline and invention when on the ball.

**H KANE** **6**

Forced Verbruggen into a smart save before grabbing redemption for his World Cup penalty miss by equalising from the spot.

### SUBS

Shaw for Trippier 46, 7.  
Palmer for Foden 81.  
Watkins for Kane 81.  
Konsa for Saka 90.  
Gallagher for Mainoo 90.  
Unused: Alexander-Arnold, Bowen, Dunk, Eze, Gomez, Gordon, Henderson, Ramsdale, Toney, Wharton.

**Ratings by SIMON MULLOCK**

# BUSTERS!

## Watkins shows Dutch who big cheeses are

cares? Kane picked himself up to equalise with a clinical strike from the spot.

England came within millimetres of going ahead soon after when a brilliant run from the superb Kobbie Mainoo set up Phil Foden, but somehow his effort was bundled off the line by Dumfries.

Dumfries was in the thick of everything and headed against the crossbar on 30 minutes.

*Then Foden curled a stunning effort against the post at the opposite end.*

The real Three Lions had turned up and the Dutch were there for the taking.

But history threatened to repeat

itself as England lost momentum and sparkle after the break.

That inability to stand on the throats of an opponent has been England's Achilles heel under Southgate and here it was happening again. England needed fresh legs and impetus.

It felt like the defining moment of Southgate's entire reign. Could he be proactive when it mattered most? Could he ever. Enter Palmer and Watkins, with the latter replacing captain Kane no less.

And as the clock ticked down, Palmer picked up the ball, threaded it forward to Watkins, who took one look up before beating Bart Verbruggen in the far corner.



**EARLY BLOW:** Simons scores his opener



WINNERS: Ollie Watkins and Gareth Southgate (below) celebrate

# WAT A FINISH

**Lions supersub Ollie predicted he'd come on to grab the winner**

**OLLIE WATKINS** last night revealed that he predicted coming off the bench to send England to the Euro 2024 final.

■ from **SIMON MULLOCK** in Dortmund  
 our performances], we are in the final."

The Aston Villa striker replaced captain Harry Kane and fired England into the Euro final with a stunning 90th-minute winner.

Watkins came on with 10 minutes remaining and combined with Chelsea's Palmer to find the bottom corner with a fierce right-foot shot.

*Then he said: "I swear on my kids' lives, I said to Cole Palmer today, 'We're coming on today and you are going to set me up!'"*

The Three Lions had to come from behind after Xavi Simons gave the Dutch a seventh-minute lead.

"Forget all the outside noise [about

But Kane levelled with a penalty to set up a nerve-wracking climax before Watkins sealed victory.



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HEROES: England players pile on the goalscorer at the end

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