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■ by JERRY LAWTON

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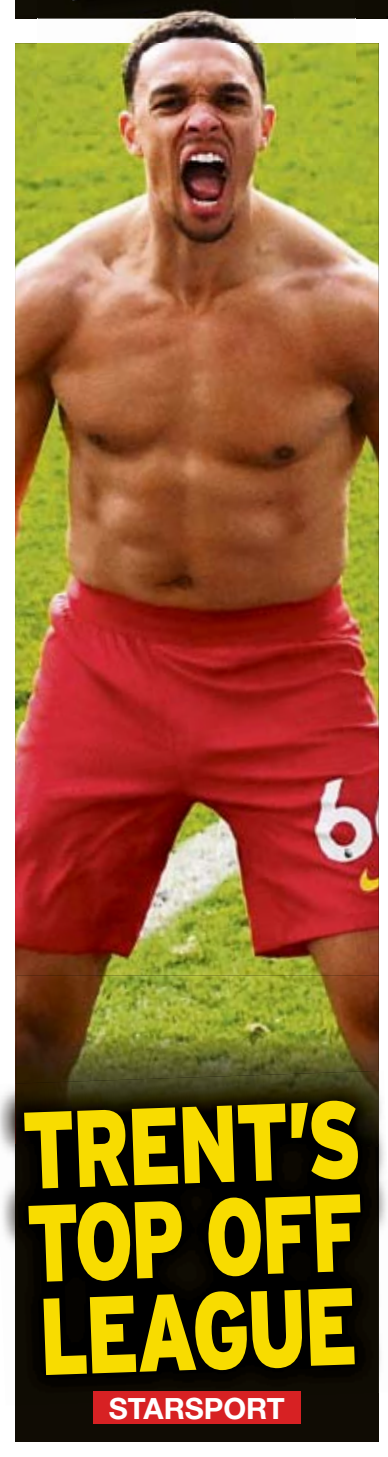

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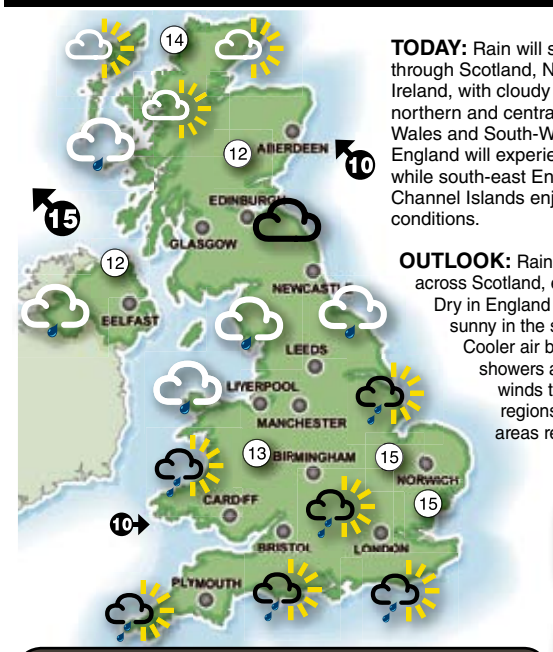

TODAY: Rain will sweep through Scotland, Northern Ireland, with cloudy skies in northern and central England. Wales and South-West England will experience rain, while south-east England and Channel Islands enjoy fair, dry conditions.

OUTLOOK: Rain moves across Scotland, easing later. Dry in England and Wales, sunny in the south. Cooler air brings showers and brisk winds to Northern regions; Southern areas remain bright.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 19

No jackpot winners. Wednesday's estimated rolldown jackpot £2m

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Britain hits sub trouble

BRITAIN'S submarine fleet has been plunged into a recruitment crisis, experts warned.

The shortage has led to sailors being forced into spending extended stints underwater.

Sailors are quitting over the long patrols, being cut off from loved-ones and having to look after ageing boats.

Experts have sounded the alarm over staffing the Royal Navy's Trident nuclear deterrent.

Former Commander Tom Sharpe said: "The current generation do not want to go to sea for lots of reasons that are easy to imagine: It's austere, disciplined... long periods of boredom."

Gatwick waiting list low

GATWICK has retained its position as the UK's worst airport for flight delays.

Departures from the Sussex airport were an average of more than 23 minutes behind schedule in 2024, according to analysis of Civil Aviation Authority data.

Birmingham Airport had the second poorest punctuality record last year with an average delay of more than 21 minutes. In third place was Manchester Airport with 20 minutes.

A spokesperson for Gatwick said: "Air traffic control restrictions in other parts of Europe have continued to impact the airport."

Statue vandals hunted

GRAFFITI vandals who painted on seven statues during a trans rights protest are being hunted by police.

Slogans were sprayed on the memorials in Parliament Square, London.

No arrests have been made but officers are investigating, Scotland Yard said.

Chf Supt Stuart Bell said: "Criminality like this is senseless.

"We are pursuing this and will take action against those responsible."

Thousands descended on the square for the demo days after a Supreme Court ruling on the definition of a woman.

Picture: JONATHAN BUCKMASTER

Toast to a hero..

★ A NAVAL hero celebrates his 100th birthday at a special party with a message from the King and Queen.

Peter Kent, a D-Day veteran, raised a glass at the Union Jack Club in central London.

★ Charles and Camilla sent "warmest congratulations" as Peter, of Pimlico, was joined by friends and family, including sons Stephen and John.

STAB VEST PLEA FOR JAIL STAFF

Murder fears after Abedi attack

RAMPAGE: Abedi

PRISON officers need stab vests to prevent a murder in the wake of an attack by the Manchester Arena bomber's brother, union officials say.

Hashem Abedi stabbed three officers and threw hot oil at them in Frankland jail a week ago.

Victims' injuries included a severed artery and a punctured lung. Prison Officer's Association chairman Mark Fairhurst said:

■ by DAVID O'DORNAN

"The Government needs to tell the civil service to pull their finger out and issue us with stab-proof vests.

"Just get it done before one of my members is murdered."

Justice Secretary Shabana Mahmood said the prison service will hold a "snap review into whether protective body armour should be made available to frontline staff".

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The EX-Files!

SURPRISE: Sheeran

Ed is no 'one-hit wonder'

ED Sheeran expected to be a one-hit wonder when he first found fame.

The superstar, 34, said he never thought he would have any career beyond British shores either.

Before performing his 2011 hit The A Team at US festival Coachella, the ex-busker said: "I was like, 'I've never been to America. I want to at least go and enjoy the trip.'

"I thought this would be the one opportunity I had to enjoy America and this would be my only hit."

"And now it's the 15th anniversary of this song."

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Hot TV

ALL THE TOP TELLY NEWS

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LOTUS STAR: Patrick

Arnie so proud of his son

PATRICK Schwarzenegger was surprised at how his dad reacted to The White Lotus.

The 31-year-old son of Hollywood legend Arnold, 77, stars in the hit HBO series as Saxon Ratliff.

The actor said: "I was surprised at how much he loved it. He thought it was so funny.

"And for a show like this, it's just a cool moment, because your friends and your family and everyone is watching it.

"And obviously rooting for me as Patrick, but also rooting for the character and for the show."

Lauren

★ EASTER is far from over for lovely Lauren.

★ "I call it my chocolate egg week," says the Derby 25-year-old.

★ "It means I can wear my Easter Bunny ears every day and feast on treats till the weekend"

★ That sounds like a plan for a Good Monday to Friday to us.

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TOP DUO: With Duchovny in 90s hit

GILL THRILLED TO RETURN AS SCULLY IN TELLY REBOOT

■ by JAMES DESBOROUGH

GILLIAN Anderson is close to signing a deal to return as X-Files' investigator Dana Scully.

The actress, inset, has held talks with Hollywood director Ryan Coogler, who has written a revival series of the 1990s hit drama she starred in alongside David Duchovny, 64.

And the new series, likely to be on Disney+, will be terrifying for fans and "f***ing scary".

Coogler, 38, confirmed he's "spoken to the great Gillian Anderson" about the series.

The Black Panther director said: "She's incredible. Fingers crossed there. I've been excited about that for a long time, and I'm fired up to get back to it. Some of those episodes, if we do our jobs right, will be really f***ing scary.

"We're gonna try to make something really great, bro, and really be something for the real X-Files fans, and maybe find some new ones."

Anderson has enjoyed a terrific screen run in the last six years thanks to Sex Education and The Crown.

The 56-year-old, who lives in London, has spoken of her excitement at the show's revival.

She said she "cannot think of a better way around for a reboot to happen," calling the filmmaker "a bit of a genius".

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Cross roads..

FORMER Corrie actor John Thomson wants to create a soap about service station workers who "hate each other".

The 56-year-old Fast Show star says he is ready to start writing The Great Divide.

He told the We're Not Getting Any Younger podcast: "It's set in a north-bound and a southbound service station and they hate each other. You've got regular staff but they're identical on either side... they are always competing."

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SOGGY FINISH TO SUNNY

CHAT: With Dunce

Pontiff delights piazza crowds

POPE Francis marked Easter Sunday by blessing thousands who gathered for mass following his health scare.

He later met with US Vice President JD Dunce and a delegation during an audience at the Vatican.

The 88-year-old pontiff, who nearly died during his recent stay in hospital, also delighted crowds with a surprise popemobile tour around

WAVE: On balcony

the piazza at the Vatican. But he did not celebrate the traditional mass in St Peter's Square himself.

Cardinal Angelo Comastri instead led the service.

Francis said "Brothers and sisters, happy Easter!" and blessed babies brought up to him while sitting in his popemobile.

The crowd responded with chants of "Viva il Papa!" (Long live the Pope) – and "Bravo".

Trump hols hit

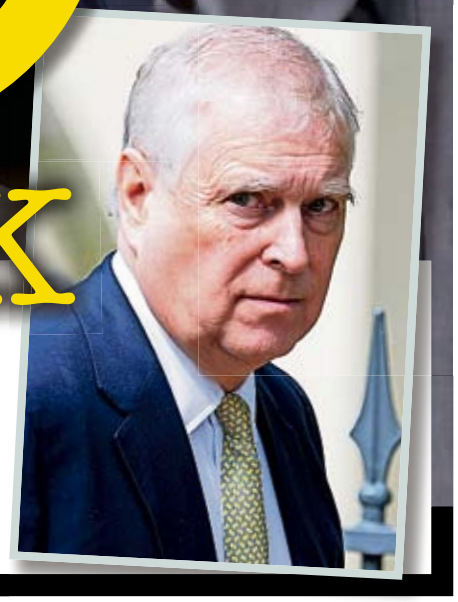
HOLIDAYMAKERS in Europe are shunning trips to the US over Donald Trump's controversial policies.

Bookings made in February and March for this summer were down by 12.8%.

Travel expert Paul Charles said: "Tariff policies and market gyrations will have put off some consumers."

Picture: IAN VOGLER

ANDY'S BACK



ORDINARY Andy Windsor made a surprising return to Royal life by attending an Easter Sunday service with the King and Queen.

The disgraced Duke of York grinned as he joined his brother Charles at St George's Chapel in Windsor Castle. He was joined by his ex-wife Sarah Ferguson and daughters Beatrice and Eugenie and their husbands.

His sister Princess Anne and brother Prince Edward were also there with members of their families. But there was no sign of Wills and Kate, who were instead spending the Easter weekend in Norfolk with their children.

Andy has been largely stripped of his Royal duties over his close links with paedophile Jeffrey Epstein and also contact with an alleged Chinese spy.

PLACES IN THE SUN: Rochelle Humes in Maldives, John and Toni Terry in Dubai desert and Michelle Heaton in Dominican Republic

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BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

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PERRIE BRIGHT: Pop star Perrie Edwards poses in a field of yellow flowers. Above, Bertie the cavapoo in Halesowen, West Mids, and, above left, tulips in Kings Lynn, Norfolk

It's Easter Glumday!

GREY BRITAIN MISERY

■ by JAMES CAVEN

AN "Easter Glumday" is in store for Brits today as we're due to get drenched.

Forecasters said there will be heavy showers with a "bit of a frost in the far north".

Met Office meteorologist Craig Snell said: "Easter Monday itself really is going to be a fairly grey day for most.

"There will be some breaks in the cloud from time to time, but really we're just watching this area of rain gradually spread its way eastwards across the UK."

There will be further wet weather tomorrow and Wednesday, although there should be "bright or sunny spells" on Thursday.

The Met Office said there would be some sunny spells ahead of the rain in the far east, with the driest areas across north-east Scotland.

Meanwhile, travel trade organisation Abta said about 2.2million Brits were due to venture overseas during the long weekend – including some celebs, far left.

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THREAT: Fire damage

Wildfire risk to homes

WILDFIRES are becoming one of the biggest threats to British homes on the edges of towns and cities.

Grass fires are on the rise in the UK as temperatures soar during heatwaves.

A record number of blazes on moorland and heathland have already obliterated an area twice the size of Bristol this year.

Eco experts believe the dry spring and an unusually warm March is to blame.

The National Trust warned it is "turning out to be the worst year ever for these human-caused fires across the country".

And conservationists added that the blazes are pushing some of the country's rarest wildlife to the brink of extinction.

Dave Swallow, lead wildfire tactical adviser at the National Fire Chiefs Council, said: "Our biggest challenge in the probably not too distant future, as we saw in 2022, is the rural-urban interface – any buildings up against wild open areas."

Electric is 'more British'

THE UK's rollout of wind and solar power in the last decade has made its electricity supply "more British".

Last year just under half of our electricity supply was powered by foreign energy imports, down from 65% in 2014, the Energy and Climate Intelligence Unit said.

It comes as Labour seeks to ramp up green power generation in the next five years.

Simon Cran-McGreehin, at the ECIU, said: "UK electricity is becoming more British and this is the net zero emissions target in action."

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DAILY STAR Says

It's a right royal snub

DONALD Trump is notoriously thin-skinned.

The Orange Manbaby has a tendency to throw his toys out of the pram over the tiniest of things.

There's nothing that won't upset him.

We've seen it time and time again with the endless spats he's had over trivial issues.

It's impossible to keep up with his ever-growing list of grievances, while he seems to eventually fall out with everyone he knows.

So we can only imagine how much of a stink he's likely to kick up over Emmanuel Macron being invited to the UK by King Charles for a state visit before him.

Given how much the US President adores the Royal Family and how he's already been bragging about his own planned trip, this must really hurt.

It will be a tricky one to handle for our own leaders, as they try not to upset the narcissist-in-chief's overinflated ego.

Either way – he's been well and truly trumped!

Don't get bladdered

WE'RE big fans of beer here at the Daily Star.

Come rain or shine, you never need much of an excuse to go for a pint (if you can afford today's prices that is).

But even we balk at the idea of drinking beer brewed from urine!

Some clever clogs in Austria reckon they can recycle pee from their portable toilets and change it into beer.

Of course it will be thoroughly cleaned and filtered and have to pass thorough purity tests before it can be used for human consumption.

And we're assured that – unlike with some cheap lagers – it will definitely not taste a bit like wee!

Still, if you're offered a choice between two types of beer, and you know one of them used to be urine then which one are you going for?

Answers on a p*card!

So X-cited

GILLIAN Anderson may soon be reprising her role as Dana Scully in an X-Files reboot.

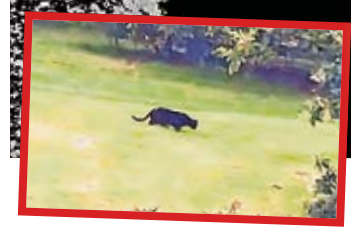
Sounds out of this world!

THE BEASTS LURKING IN OUR SHADOWS

Take a loch at the other monsters..

★ YES, it's Easter Monday. But did you know it's also International Loch Ness Monster Day? The annual event celebrates the publication of the first ever photo of the creature on April 21, 1934.

★ The famous "surgeon's photograph" has since been exposed as a hoax by English doctor Robert Kenneth Wilson. Now **MEG JORSH** reveals some other monsters said to lurk around the UK…



SCARY: Black Shuck Left, Beast of Bodmin Moor, right, Owlman and, top right, the churchyard where he prowls

SHADES OF GREY

ON the summit of Britain's second highest mountain, a terrifying beast is said to roam. The Big Grey Man of Ben Macdui, in the Cairngorms, is described as an enormous Sasquatch-like animal covered in short grey hair.

When he appears to unsuspecting hikers, he's said to trigger a sense of irrational panic and dread. In October 1943, soldier Alexander Tewnion described running away from the creature after desperately firing his gun at it.

Some boffins have blamed the apparitions on the Brocken spectre – a rare atmospheric effect caused by the projection of your shadow on to mist and cloud.

HOUNDS OF HORROR

ON the coastal flats of East Anglia, a terrifying hellhound is said to have appeared since medieval times. Black Shuck is a huge dog with saucer-sized glowing red eyes, believed to be a harbinger of doom and death.

He often shows up during electrical storms, like the one that struck the churches of Bungay and Blythburgh in Suffolk at the exact same moment in August 1577. Scorched claw marks were left on Blythburgh's church door and at least two people died.

A similar beast called Cù-sìth, with dark green fur, is said to stalk the Scottish Highlands. And the Black Dog of Bunting Nook apparently preys on car passengers in southern Sheffield.

STALKING CAT-ASTROPHES

THE Beast of Bodmin Moor is a large, cat-like mammal said to live on Bodmin Moor in Cornwall. More than 60 sightings have been reported since 1978, with witnesses saying it looks like a panther with sharp teeth and yellow eyes.

Some theories suggest it could be an escaped zoo animal. But in 1995, a government-led investigation found there was no evidence either for or against its existence.

OWL OR NOTHING

THE Owlman of Mawnan Smith is another apparition said to roam the Cornish countryside. Half-man and half-owl, with glowing red eyes, silver feathers and crab-like claws, he has terrified tourists since the 70s.

In April 1976, two young girls claimed to have seen him flying above the 13th-Century parish church in the village of Mawnan Smith. Then in 1995, an American student described seeing him in a letter to a local newspaper.

"I just screamed then turned and ran for my life," she added.

DARK HORSE

FOUND in the waters of Orkney, Scotland, the Nuckelavee has to be Britain's most terrifying legendary beast. He's a skinless horse with the head of a man – only far larger – emerging from a mass of rotting sinews and exposed veins running with yellow blood.

When he comes onto land, he makes livestock sick and wilts crops with his stinking breath. The only way to escape from his demonic presence is to leap across a freshwater river or stream.

THE BRAINBOX

BRAINS OF BRITAIN

We asked you to name something you associate with Easter:

1 Eggs
2 (Easter) Bunny
3 Hot cross buns
4 Crucifixion
5 Bank Holiday
6= Fremantle, rain, resurrection, Good Friday, pub, daffodils, simnel cake, slaughtered lambs, bum nuts, cackleberries

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1. What is the name of the TV show featured in the picture on the right?
2. Which Premier League team recently scored nil, one, two, three, four and five goals in consecutive games – a competition first?
3. What is the stage name of Guns N' Roses guitarist Saul Hudson?
4. What is the capital of Argentina?
5. What are the two fillings found in a traditional croque monsieur toastie?

ASK US ANOTHER

Q Is Marc Guehi the first player to score own goals home and away against the same team in the same Prem season? **SMUG SEAGULL**

A No – Liverpool's Jamie Carragher did it against Tottenham in 1998-99.

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ANSWERS: 1) Death In Paradise; 2) Newcastle United; 3) Slash; 4) Buenos Aires; 5) Ham and cheese.

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TRUMPED!

MORE MEDIA: Starmer

PM told to 'copy the Don'

SIR Keir Starmer should mirror Trump's strategy and crank up his media appearances, claim senior Labour figures.

They have urged the PM to have more press conferences and meetings on telly in a bid to dominate the news agenda.

Some MPs want Starmer to act more like Trump, who holds long meetings on camera and calls in to TV shows.

One minister, who wished to remain anonymous, said: "Trump and [the vice-president] JD Vance have shown the advantage of getting out there and not worrying about making mistakes."

The Labour leader has said he wants politics to intrude less into people's lives, and he often goes several days without a public appearance.

PROTEST: Inflatable

Blimp's return for visit

THE famous Trump Baby Blimp will make a comeback when the US leader visits Britain in September.

The Stop Trump Coalition has vowed to return with a bigger orange inflatable to protest against the orange buffoon meeting the King.

And it reckons the demos will be larger than the ones during Trump's state visit in 2019.

Zoe Gardner, a spokesperson for the coalition, said: "The blimp will be there or something even bigger and better.

"The blimp itself still exists, but we are thinking we want to take the next step and do something even more exciting."

Gardner added: "This time it will be even bigger, uniting campaigners across a huge range of issues."

Mama Marg's Oz dip

★ PROUD mama Margot Robbie celebrates Easter by soaking up the sun in a bikini and sweet necklace, above.

The 34-year-old Barbie star, who gave birth to a boy in October, was spotted having a swim on the Gold Coast in Australia.

★ She enjoyed having a splash with a friend before relaxing with film producer hubby Tom Ackerley, also 34.

Pictures: BACKGRID

SACRE BLEU: Manbaby Don won't be happy

Macron to meet King MONTHS before US Pres

■ by NADEEM BADSHAH

FRENCH leader Emmanuel Macron has wound up Donald Trump by securing a state visit to Britain – months before the Orange Manbaby comes in September.

The French President will chat to King Charles in May in his first state visit to Britain, eight years after taking office.

It comes after the Orange Manbaby bragged last week that Buckingham Palace was "setting a date for September" for his meet.

Critics now fear the French visit – arranged as Britain seeks closer ties with Europe – will rile the notoriously thin-skinned US President.

One said on social media: "Should go down like a lead balloon with Trump."

Second-term US Presidents who have already made a state visit usually have tea or lunch with the monarch at Windsor Castle.

Speaking to reporters in the Oval Office last week, the US leader said: "I'm a friend of Charles, I have great respect for King Charles and the family."

It comes as crunch talks between London and Brussels were held recently over a closer relationship – especially in terms of food, carbon reduction and military contracts.

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TARIFFS COST RISE EXCUSE

RETAILERS will use Trump's tariffs as an excuse to hike prices, experts have warned.

They are worried about more "greedflation" clobbering consumers when buying US goods.

Paul Donovan, global chief economist at UBS Wealth Management, said: "A narrative [is needed] to tell consumers why prices are going up. Tariffs provide exactly that story."

It comes after the price of PlayStation 5 consoles went up by 25% in some markets.

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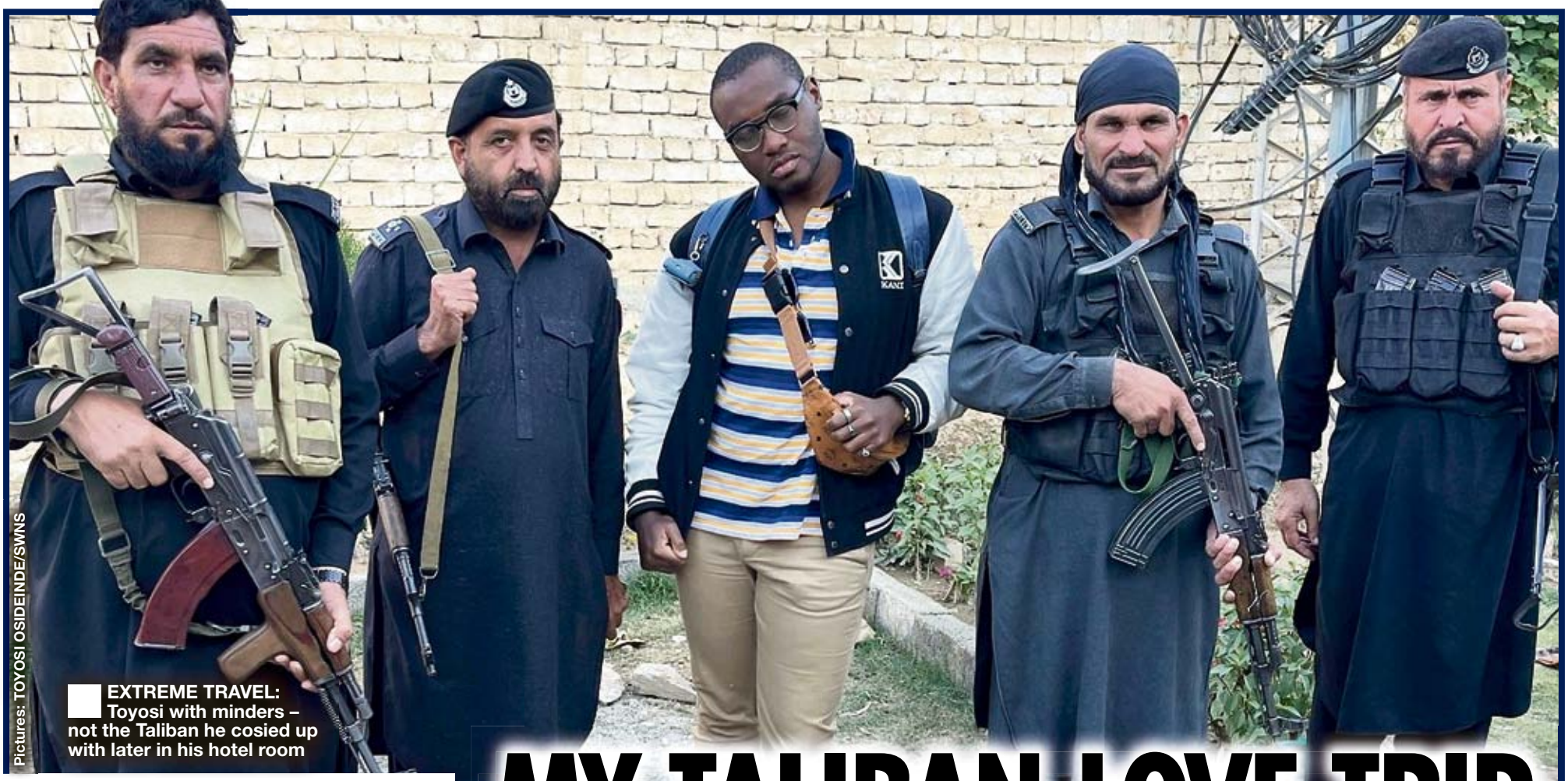

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EXTREME TRAVEL: Toyosi with minders – not the Taliban he cosied up with later in his hotel room

MY TALIBAN LOVE TRIP

A BRIT tourist walked across one of the most dangerous borders in the world to spend his holiday with the Taliban.

And Toyosi Osideinde even says he had a fling with one of his gun-toting minders from the terror group that now rules the nation.

The financial adviser from Bath, Somerset, flew into Islamabad in Pakistan and drove to Peshawar before entering Afghanistan.

The 30-year-old said of his romance: "We didn't talk much because he didn't speak English and I didn't speak Farsi. In the evenings we would watch Gossip Girl. He would love showing me his guns."

The "extreme traveller" – who has a trip to Ukraine booked – said it was "just a fling".

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Vow to fight on in Gaza

ISRAEL'S PM Benjamin Netanyahu says his nation has "no choice" but to continue fighting in Gaza.

He will not end the war before destroying Hamas, freeing the hostages and ensuring the territory will not be a threat, he said.

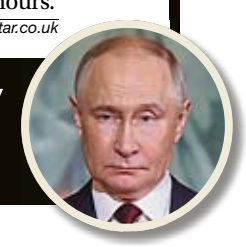
Netanyahu is under growing pressure at home to end the fighting after Israel shattered a ceasefire last month.

Israeli strikes killed more than 90 people in 48 hours, Gaza's health ministry said on Saturday.

PM: Israel leader

Vlad fails to honour ceasefire

ZEL SLAMS 'TRUCE'



■ by NADEEM BADSHAH

ANGRY Volodmyr Zelensky has accused Mad Vlad Putin of breaking his promised Easter truce.

Russia and Ukraine both claimed each other had breached the 30-hour ceasefire yesterday.

Zelensky, *below left*, said there was an "increase in Russian shelling and the use of kamikaze drones by the occupiers".

The Ukrainian leader wrote on X: "Either Putin does not fully control his army, or the situation proves they do not have a real goal in Russia to move towards the end of the war."

He added the attacks showed Moscow only intends to have "profitable PR in the media".

Putin, below, said there would be an end to the war for 30 hours.

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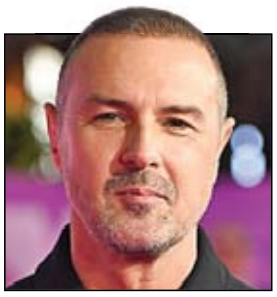
CHINESE BUG PARK BENCH!



FANS: McGuinness

Paddy: I no likey mix-ups

EX-TOP Gear presenter Paddy McGuinness admits fans drive him round the bend by getting his catch-phrases wrong.

The comedian famously hosted the dating show Take Me Out where 30 single girls would battle to win a date with a hunk.

The catchphrase from that ITV show was "No likey. No lighty."

Paddy revealed: "I get 'Eh Paddy? No likey the lighty.' And I'm like 'What the **** are you on about?' It's 'No likey. No lighty.' It's not hard, is it?"

Paddy claimed another thing fans shout at him is "Garlic bread!" – which is a Peter Kay line.

FACT OF THE DAY

THE Red Lion in Parliament Street has a rating of 4.0 on Tripadvisor, but it's not clear how many reviews were written by AI bots.

GUIDE: Kama Rita

Everest record in sight

A MOUNTAIN guide will attempt to scale the world's highest peak – and break his own record.

Kami Rita, 55, flew to Mount Everest yesterday from Kathmandu to lead a group of climbers who will try to reach the famous 29,032ft summit.

"I am mentally, emotionally and physically prepared to climb the mountain," Kami Rita said. "I am in my top physical condition right now."

He already holds the record for the most ascents of the mountain, at 30 times.

He first climbed Everest in 1994 and has been making the trip nearly every year since.

Picture: TOT/CLICK NEWS AND MEDIA

Zara on a roller

★ ZARA McDermott has her rollers in for a trip to the salon after jetting back to Blighty – just days after letting her hair down with Louis Tomlinson in LA.

The Love Island beauty, 27, was worlds away from glam scenes of her snogging the ex-One Direction singer, 33.

★ Going for a dressed-down look, she also popped into a coffee shop before having her 'do styled.

HOT SEAT: Chinese snooping fears

Meeting places for Government staff spied on

CHINESE spies are snooping on the UK Government by bugging park benches.

Officials holding sensitive information in Westminster have been warned about central London "hotspots" to avoid.

These include the historic Red Lion pub, which a source claimed was "full of Chinese agents".

They have also been warned to steer clear of nearby five-star hotels.

And they have been told to watch themselves in St James's Park – which is near Downing Street, the Foreign Office and Treasury.

A source said: "We have been told the Chinese literally have the park bugged with devices in the bushes and under park benches."

The green space is a lunchtime meeting spot for researchers and civil servants.

China reportedly views all people who work in Westminster as legitimate targets for espionage. And House Of Commons researchers are seen as the easier-to-get-to "soft underbelly" of the Government.

Spies from Russia and Iran are also feared to be targeting the area.

Shadow Home Secretary Chris Philp said: "We know China is building a spying and repression network here in the UK."

by JERRY LAWTON
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SCORING WITH A FIRST TOUCH

FIRST-touch shots score the most goals in football, a pioneering study says.

Researchers at the Basque Country uni analysed shots from the keeper's perspective and found the most dangerous shots on goal are those made from passes with one touch.

PhD student Markel Perez-Arroniz said: "This happens with around 75% of goals. These are fast, difficult to predict moves."

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We're old primates

★ ASSUMBO the gorilla and his former keeper Marek Zdansky are reunited after more than 23 years.

★ The 50-year-olds, who spent six years together at Prague Zoo, met again at Rostock Zoo in Germany.

Pictures: SWNS

THE TUG OF LOVE DOGGIES

Call for law change on splits

DOG walkers should take the lead in pet custody battles, campaigners say.

■ by JERRY LAWTON, Chief Reporter

The welfare of pooches should determine who looks after them when couples split, not who may have bought them, lawyers claim.

Campaigners want a change in the law to ensure courts prioritise animal welfare during divorces.

Experts say the move would stop pets being "weaponised" by warring exes.

Currently, pets are owned by the spouse who bought them and can prove they paid for their upkeep – even if they are not the primary carer. As a result, a partner who paid for a dog may keep it – even if it was their ex who walked and fed it and took it to the vet.

Sarah Lucy Cooper, co-founder of Pets In Divorce – supported by Conservative peer Baroness Berridge – said: "We are lagging behind compared with a lot of jurisdictions in how we treat pets in divorce.

"At the moment a pet has the same legal status as a pot, or any other inanimate object. So the starting point for a judge is, 'Who paid for it?'

"That may not be the end point but that's the concept. It's property law."

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Longest cat walk

A WOMAN was left "speechless" when her cat turned up 300 miles away four months later.

Sophie Carty, 25, of Darlington, has been reunited with Luna. She said: "I just couldn't believe she'd managed to get to Inverness."

BEER WEE GO

Brewery is taking the p**s

DRINKERS can wet their whistle with a new beer – made from urine.

Austrian mobile loo firm Öklo is brewing booze using human wee.

Bosses are working with researchers in Vienna and a local brewery to produce the unique lager.

And in a boast that is hard to believe, they insist it will taste like any other beer.

The beer will be branded Öklopisner, a play on the words pilsner and p***.

Urine for the beer will be collected from Öklo's mobile toilets, which it lets to building sites and music festivals. It will be then filtered to strip out any toxins.

■ by DAVID O'DORNAN

Company founder Niko Bogianzidis said: "We end up with completely odourless and tasteless H2O.

"That goes to the brewery and they'll turn it into bottles of beer.

"Advance orders are already coming in. People from all over the world are writing to us asking for a six-pack."

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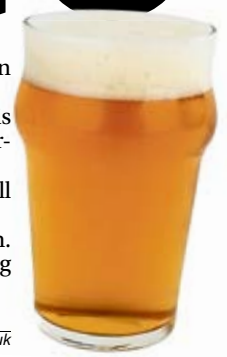

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DAISY LEAVES CORRIE

★ CORRIE'S Daisy Midgeley is set to bid farewell to the cobbles in a dramatic and emotionally charged storyline.

The character, played by Charlotte Jordan, has had a recent whirlwind of drama involving a secret pregnancy, catfishing and tangled romances.

★ The actress, 29, said: "It's just goodbye for now, not goodbye forever."

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★ **BILLIE Joe Armstrong** showed his admiration for **Charli XCX** during **Green Day**'s headline set on the second weekend of Coachella on Saturday.

The singer stepped out wearing a "Brat" hat, seemingly agreeing with fans that this year's festival should have been branded "Bratchella" in her honour.

★ But Charli performed earlier and declared "Brat Summer over" and shared a host of artists who should take the pop reins, including **Lorde, Addison Rae, PinkPantheress, Haim** and **Pulp**.

★ **KEANU Reeves** will reportedly play a villain in a mockumentary about the American rock band **Weezer**.

And although at first it may seem like an odd casting, they actually have history.

★ Weezer's first gig was opening up for The Matrix actor's band **Dogstar** back in 1992 and last year Dogstar helped celebrate Weezer's 30th anniversary.

WIRED WORLD

ED Sheeran isn't the only redhead that can pull on our heartstrings.

Singer/songwriter **JP Saxe** declares that he'll be a "ginger [to] make you cry" on brilliant new EP Articulate Excuses.

WIRED WORLD

IT looks like **Alex Warren** will spend a sixth week at No1 with Ordinary.

Meanwhile, **Addison Rae**'s new tune Headphones On could claim the highest new entry as it's on course for a Top 20 spot.

So cool to be Linked in on the tour bus

Em's a unifier

FOR the first time ever Linkin Park will hit the road together on the same bus.

After years of travelling separately the band will finally be piling into one tour bus, thanks to new lead singer **Emily Armstrong**.

The vocalist, who replaced the late **Chester Bennington**, brought the idea to her bandmates insisting it's "more romantic" that way.

Fellow singer and co-founder of the band **Mike Shinoda** said: "It's been a minute since our band has been in a bus together, so we're trying it out.

We were doing kind of like a planes, trains, and automobiles for a while.

"It would be like we stay in the hotel in one city, take a car to the airport, fly to the other city to do the show, car to the show, do that and then we would be in a car back to the airport before the fans even left the venue.

"It was a well-oiled machine and that machine didn't include buses in most cases and so I am very excited to do this, there is something cool about the whole band in a bus thing."

Emily first met Mike in 2019 but she didn't join the band until 2023 and he admitted they're not the easiest band to work with.

He said: "I've been told that we have a very specific way that we do things, it's unique the way that we write and the way that things get being on our records."

And Mike gushed that "Emily is the mastermind" when writing new music.

Linkin Park play Wembley Stadium on June 28 and also headline the UEFA Champions League Final pre-match show in Munich on May 31.

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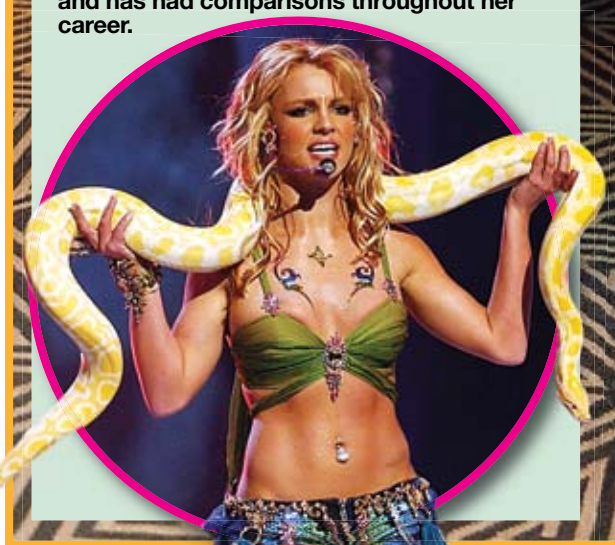
JAMES CABOOTER'S with SAM MAYERS

IRED All week

★ SOUTH African pop princess **Tyla** had the crowd screaming "Gimme More" during her performance.

She paid homage to **Britney Spears** during a pop-tastic set by wearing a pair of tiny denim shorts and green bra, inspired by Brit's iconic look at the 2001 MTV VMAs.

★ The Water songstress has previously cited Britney as an inspiration of hers and has had comparisons throughout her career.



WHEN MEGAN HEADS WEST

MEGAN Thee Stallion surprised festival-goers at Coachella with a big single announcement.

Before taking to the stage, the rapper revealed she'll drop new tune Whenever on Friday.

And it appears to be accompanied by a western-inspired music video as she shared a movie poster stating: "A hot girl production starring Megan Thee Stallion."

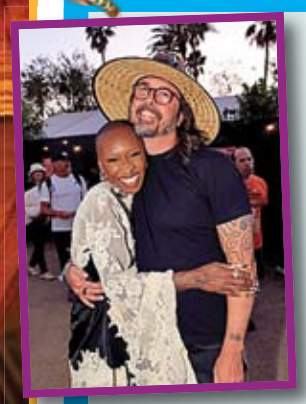
After her set, Meg was spotted hanging out with **Cara Delevingne** and **Renee Rapp**.

★ EVEN in the middle of the Colorado Desert **Ed Sheeran** found a way to enjoy a traditional English pub.

The singer had the bar he built in Massachusetts, The Old Phone, transported to the festival – 3,000 miles away.

★ It was decked out in memorabilia including an Ipswich Town scarf, a baby photo of Ed and his old BlackBerry phone.

Guests could enjoy pints of Heineken and Guinness as well secret, intimate sets from Ed following his early afternoon set in Coachella's Mojave tent.

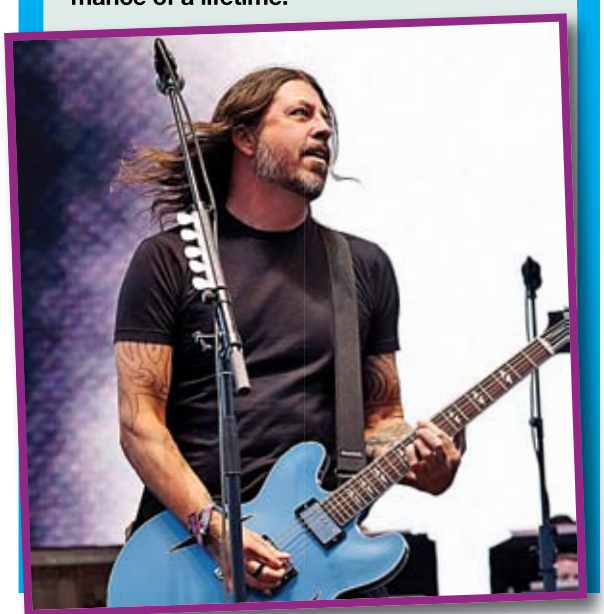


★ THE unmissable moment of Coachella weekend two came from **Dave Grohl**.

Rock and Roll's "nicest guy" delivered powerful renditions of **Foo Fighters'** tracks in front of a philharmonic orchestra.

★ He rocked out The World Is A Neighborhood and Everlong at the top of his lungs while joining conductor **Gustavo Dudamel** and the LA Philharmonic on stage.

Also making a surprise appearance was Wicked star **Cynthia Erivo** who later hung out with Dave backstage. That's a performance of a lifetime.



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Accents show yer intellect

KIDS as young as five connect intelligence with accents, boffins revealed.

In a study, children linked Yorkshire voices with a lack of intelligence.

But they thought middle-class southern English speakers sounded clever.

Dr Ella Jeffries, from Essex University, said: "Our findings will add weight to calls for a better range of accents on children's TV and in films to help to address this bias."

Phones bad call

TECH: Youngster on device

■ by SAM HALL

'BE A PARENT, NOT YOUR CHILD'S PAL'

PARENTS should stop trying to be their kid's "friend" over phone usage, the children's commissioner said.

Dame Rachel de Souza said parenting must not be outsourced to professionals, adding: "If we are serious about protecting our children, we have to look at our own behaviour".

She said: "The temptation as a parent to give in to a child's pleas is a real one. A new smartphone, ignoring the nagging voice in your head that questions it, because 'all my friends have one', despite knowing how much time you spend on your own phone."

She added: "You are not supposed to be your child's friend. Sometimes being the parent means making difficult decisions in your child's interests. They need you to give them love, support and boundaries."

Nearly a quarter of kids spend more than four hours a day on an internet-enabled device, a survey for the children's commissioner suggested this month.

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MAUR IS RED HOT!

★ LOVE Island bombshell Maura Higgins has dropped her sizzling new "hot-headed" image in a bright red wig.

★ The 34-year-old posted the snap on Instagram, and was proud of designing her own outfit, captioning it: "Another custom look by me."

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TRIBUTE: Martin

‘Loving’ man hit by car

THE family of an engineer who was killed when a car was “driven into him” has said he had a “wonderfully joyous spirit”.

The tribute came as cops charged a suspect with his murder.

The vehicle was reportedly driven at Martin O’Donovan, 46, in Woolton, Liverpool, shortly before midnight on Friday, Merseyside Police said.

Mr O’Donovan died in hospital from his injuries.

His family, paying tribute, said in a statement: “Martin was a loving, caring, fun and intelligent son, brother and uncle, who would light up any room with his humour and presence.”

Stephen Bates, 41, of Mossley Hill, Liverpool, will appear before magistrates in the city tomorrow charged with murder.

AGE GAP: Ramsey

Bella’s growth spurt..

BELLA Ramsey jumped straight from “kid to adult” and “was never a teenager”.

The British star rose to fame at the age of 13 in global hit telly series Game Of Thrones and now stars in The Last Of Us.

Bella, 21, said: “There is now an element of me looking back and being like, ‘Oh, I was never a teenager.’

“I do feel like I went from kid to adult. I had to show up on set every day and be responsible and have this very adult job.

“Because I’ve grown up a lot with people much older than me, that is the dynamic that I’m really comfortable in and really good at.

“Now I’ve got a small group of friends who are my age – for the first time.”

Picture: NASA/AFP/GETTY

Don to Earth

★ THE oldest-serving US astronaut returns to Earth – on his 70th birthday.

The space capsule carrying Don Pettit and his Russian crew mates Alexey Ovchinin and Ivan Vagner made a parachute-assisted landing in Kazakhstan yesterday.

★ It was Don’s fourth mission and he has now spent a total of 590 days in space.

HUNT FOR SUPER ALIENS HOTS UP!

ETs brainier on warmer planets

BOFFINS are searching for uber-aliens as evolution could be three times faster on planets warmer than Earth.

Experts are scouring 6,000 exoplanets – outside the Solar System – for atmospheres warmer than ours.

They claim ETs found there could be more advanced than humans.

Boffins are getting ever-closer to finding living beings on other planets – Cambridge University scientists

■ by JERRY LAWTON, Chief Reporter

recently said they found alien algae on K2-18b, 124 light years from Earth.

Dr Emily Mitchell, an evolutionary zoologist at Cambridge, said it was only a matter of time before they track down intelligent ETs.

Dr Mitchell said: “Finding life in the universe is an incredibly exciting prospect. But that is not necessarily life that you can say hello to.

“They’re two very different things.”

In a paper published by the Royal Astronomical Society she calculated an exoplanet 10C warmer than Earth could double or even triple the speed of evolution.

Prof Peter Vickers, from Durham University, said: “If it does turn out that K2-18b has life then it is virtually guaranteed that there are millions more exoplanets harbouring extraterrestrial life.”

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MIKE WARD'S BIG STREAM

NOT VERY GRAND TV

THE NOT VERY GRAND TOUR: THE POWER & THE GLORY *(Prime Video)*
★★★

THE Grand Tour may be over, but here's a look at some of its best bits, in the company of its stars. Well, two of them.

Jeremy Clarkson is a bit busy right now running a farm but his old pals James May and Richard Hammond have turned up to talk us through a bunch of old clips. Alternatively, you could just watch the original episodes.

REPETITIVE: May, Clarkson and Hammond

So much for happy Holliday

MYSTERY: Grainger as 'Rebecca'

THE STOLEN GIRL
(Disney+) ★★★★★

HOLLIDAY Grainger is a right piece of work. Not for real, but in this gripping new five-part thriller.

Seriously, if you know her best from BBC One's detective drama Strike, where you'd trust her with your life, you'll think: "Blimey, Holls, who's rattled your cage?"

The story starts when busy mum Elisa (Denise Gough) is persuaded to let her nine-year-old daughter Lucia stay overnight at school pal Josie's house.

Josie's mum Rebecca (that's Holly, keeping her bonkersness under wraps for now) insists it's no trouble.

It's only the following day that Elisa and husband Fred (Jim Sturgess) realise something's up. Lucia was meant to be home by now.

Dashing over to Rebecca's swanky house, they're confused to discover only the cleaner there.

Turns out this place was just a holiday rental. Rebecca and Josie have vanished, taking Lucia with them.

Where the hell has Rebecca – assuming that's even her name, which (spoiler alert) it isn't – taken their child? And why?

As the police launch a manhunt, Elisa and Fred are thrown into the spotlight. The strain takes its toll. The cracks start to show.

Meanwhile, dogged reporter Selma Desai (Ambika Mod) digs deeper, uncovering all kinds of secrets...

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3★ Hotel Port Vista Oro, Benidorm

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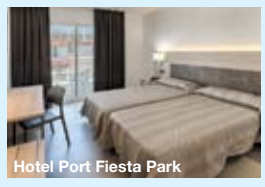

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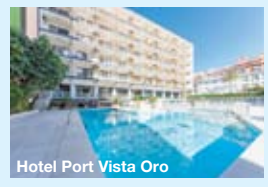

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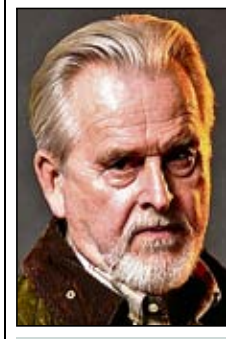

I, JACK WRIGHT
(U&Alibi from Wednesday) ★★★★
THE death of Jack Wright (Trevor Eve) – a ruthless, old-school businessman worth squillions who's apparently taken his own life – stirs up a load of unpleasantness, to put it mildly, in this new six-part thriller. Jack's will drops a bombshell, particularly for his ex-wives and children.

But darker revelations are to come.

Other stars include John Simm, Nikki Amuka-Bird and Gemma Jones.

++ WIN+WIN+WIN ++

NICK Frost plays the taxi driver from hell in the chilling horror **BLACK CAB** (15), out now in all formats.

For a chance to win one of three Blu-ray copies I'm giving away, name the zombie comedy in which Nick made his film debut:

(A) Shaun Of The Dead;
(B) Dead And Deader;
(C) Zombieland.

Answers by midnight Wednesday (subject: "Cab", plus name, address and mobile) to dailystar competitions@gmail.com. For T&Cs see: dailystar.co.uk/rules

MARIA Doyle Kennedy is back for a second series of **RECIPES FOR LOVE AND MURDER** (15), Acorn TV's hit comedy crime drama. For a chance to win one of three DVDs I'm giving away, name the ITV drama in which Maria played the treacherous Vera Bates:

(A) Doc Martin; (B) Downton Abbey; (C) DI Ray.

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Boffs tickled pink by a NEW colour

Jet lag a beast in the east

JET lag is worse for travellers going from west to east than those going east to west, say sleep boffs.

And young adults take a bigger hit to their kip after long flights compared to travellers in their sixties.

Travel-related sleep disruption takes "significantly longer" to get over than previously thought, the study also found.

Researchers at the Centre for Sleep and Cognition in Singapore analysed the sleep patterns of passengers during 60,000 trips of more than 600 miles.

Dr Adrian Willoughby, of the centre, said: "Jet lag is a challenge."

THE GOLDEN YEAR

Can you guess the year from these five clues?

1. Mystery thriller The Da Vinci Code, by Dan Brown, is a bestseller.

2. Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle, starring Cameron Diaz, opens.

3. Little Britain, a new BBC comedy show starring David Walliams and Matt Lucas, debuts.

4. Portuguese ace Cristiano Ronaldo plays his first game for Manchester United.

5. A new social networking site called MySpace is launched.

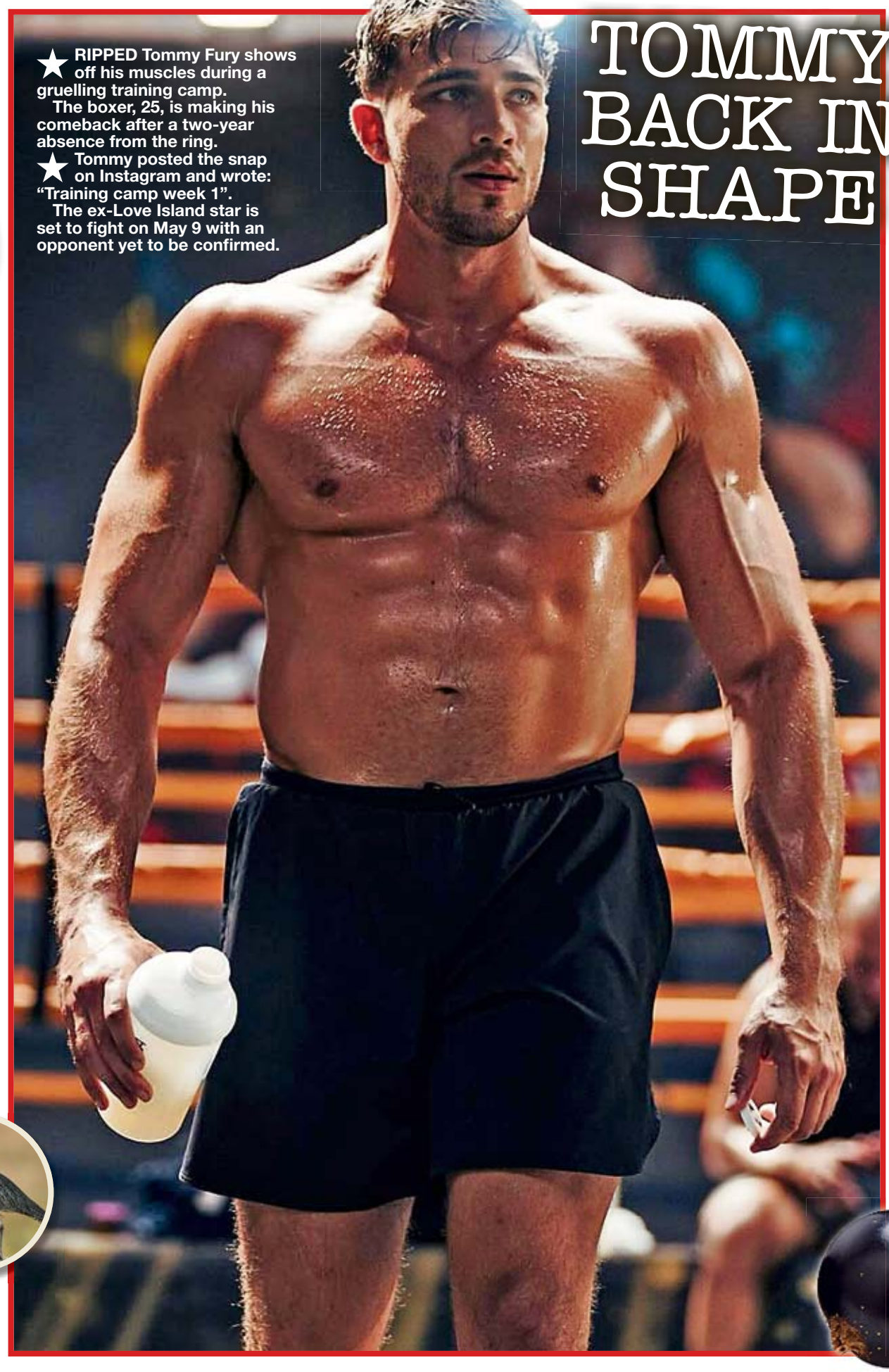
No Googling! Answer in tomorrow's paper. Friday's year: 2000

Brighter days for curlews

ORCADIAN curlews are flying high again after a cut in the number of stoats on the Scottish isles.

The Orkney Native Wildlife Project began removing the mammals six years ago. Now a new survey of the wading birds shows a modest recovery following years of the population plummeting.

Anne McCall, at RSPB Scotland, said: "Hard work is starting to restore a positive future for a vulnerable species."



TOMMY BACK IN SHAPE

★ RIPPED Tommy Fury shows off his muscles during a gruelling training camp.

The boxer, 25, is making his comeback after a two-year absence from the ring.

★ Tommy posted the snap on Instagram and wrote: "Training camp week 1".

The ex-Love Island star is set to fight on May 9 with an opponent yet to be confirmed.

EYE SPY: Shade is bit like turquoise

..BUT NEED LASERS TO SEE 'OLO'

■ by JERRY LAWTON, Chief Reporter

BOFFINS have discovered a new colour – but it can only be seen by folk who have lasers fired into their eyes.

So far only five people have had the chance to look at "olo" for themselves.

The lucky quintet at the University of California in Berkeley, US, said the colour looked like a kind of "blue-green" or similar to turquoise.

But they added that description did not capture the full richness of the experience.

Ren Ng, an electrical engineer at the university, said it was "jaw-dropping".

Members of the team were blasted with laser pulses enabling them to become the first people in history to view the colour.

The boffs later shared an image of a turquoise square they said best matched the colour, but insisted it could only be experienced in real life through the laser method.

Ren added: "We predicted from the beginning that it would look like an unprecedented colour signal but we didn't know what the brain would do with it," he said.

"We're not going to see olo on any smartphone displays or any TVs any time soon."

Austin Roorda, a vision scientist on the research team said: "There is no way to convey that colour in an article or on a monitor.

"The colour we see is a version of it but it absolutely pales by comparison with the experience of olo."

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Berry good flab burner..

A BLACKCURRANT extract was found to accelerate fat burning by up to 200% among overweight adults.

But it has only been demonstrated to work with a variety of the fruit grown in New Zealand.

Dr Matthew Cook, of the University of Worcester, said the study, which used the CurraNZ blackcurrant extract, was a "watershed moment".

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Brum's rubbish drop-off

FED-up folk dropped off rubbish at collection spots during a bin strike, but volunteers are struggling to clean up mountains of it on the streets.

Seven bin lorries parked up at Birmingham Central Mosque yesterday, but footage showed council workers struggling to make themselves busy as just a trickle of cars entered.

One resident said: "It's madness to me to have so many binmen operating these mobile collections when the worst rubbish is piled up on the streets."

The council is locked in a bitter row with Unite union over pay and conditions.

Cancer medics' 'pot' call

MEDICAL cannabis has the potential to treat cancer symptoms and fight the cause of the disease itself.

Boffins found the drug can be a treatment for nausea, appetite loss and pain.

Ryan Castle, research director at Whole Health Oncology Institute in Colorado, US, said: "Our goal was to determine the scientific consensus on the topic of medical cannabis, a field that has long been dominated by a war between cherry-picked studies.

"It wasn't 55-45, it was 75-25. That's a shocking degree of consensus in public health research."

Pictures: GETTY

HELLO, I'M BEHIND YOU

★ A PHOTOGRAPHER seems to miss one of the world's top stars as Adele views a basketball game behind him.

It was a rare sighting of the Hello singer with her fiancé Rich Paul, 44.

★ Adele, 36, and the sports agent took in the clash between the LA Lakers and Minnesota Timberwolves.

The singer recently announced an indefinite break from music.

★ An onlooker said: "Adele was all smiles – she really looked like she was having a great time."

ICONIC: 1985 movie

Future market

JUST 303 DeLorean cars immortalised by Back To The Future remain on UK roads 40 years on from the film's release.

And Collecting Cars estimates a fully restored version could fetch more than £80,000 at auction.

The firm's boss Edward Lovett said: "A combination of their scarcity and the Back To The Future phenomenon has pushed prices higher than people imagine."

Mini almighty

'ITALIAN JOB' CAR IS THE BEST OF BRITISH

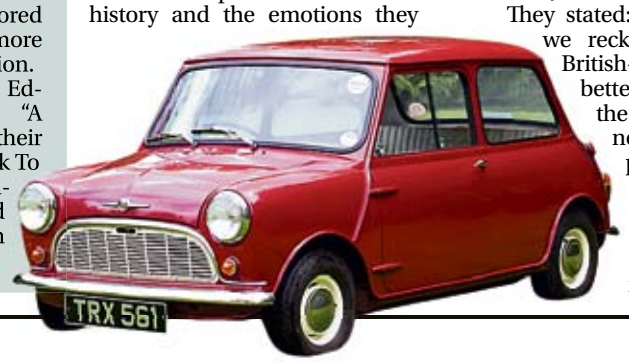
■ by DAVID O'DORNAN

THE Mini has been named the greatest British car ever made.

Experts at top mag Auto Express judged the iconic car the best UK-built motor of all time.

They looked at 75 vehicles and assessed their design, engineering and commercial success – as well as their place in automotive history and the emotions they stir. In a unanimous vote, all 10 judges crowned the Mini – famously featured in classic film The Italian Job – the champion.

They stated: "Put simply, we reckon no other British-built vehicle better represents the relevant, innovative and pioneering UK automotive industry quite like the world's original small car."



Launched in 1959, the Mini pipped the E-Type Jag and Land Rover to the No1 spot.

Auto Express editor-at-large Phil McNamara said: "There really can be little doubt – the Mini truly is the best car this green and pleasant land has ever built.

"Long may it continue."

Coming in a close second was the Jaguar E-Type which caused a sensation when it was unveiled at the 1961 Geneva motor show.

Phil added: "Here was a car that could do the thick end of 150mph for less than two grand, making it either much faster or significantly cheaper than all of its rivals – or both."

He described it as "gloriously curvaceous and with a bonnet that went on forever".

Completing the top three was the Land Rover Series/Defender, launched in 1948, equally at home in the "English countryside or even a swanky London street".

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BRIT CAR TOP 20

1. Mini
2. Jaguar E-Type
3. Land Rover Series/ Defender
4. Range Rover
5. McLaren F1
6. Aston Martin DB5
7. Lotus Elise
8. Caterham/Lotus Seven
9. Ford GT40
10. Land Rover Discovery
11. MGB
12. Jaguar XK120
13. Ford Escort
14. Rolls-Royce Phantom
15. Jaguar Mk2
16. Lotus Esprit
17. Austin Seven
18. Morris Minor
19. Nissan Qashqai
20. Ford Sierra

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POTS REVIVAL IS SO BREW-TI-FUL

■ by NADEEM BADSHAH

BRITAIN is going potty for teapots again, new figures show.

The classic utensil is making a comeback with more than four in 10 people using one to make a cuppa in the past week.

Younger Brits are leading the charge with over half of 16 to 24-year-olds using a teapot.

Nationwide bank carried out the study to mark charity Dementia UK's annual fundraiser Time For A Cuppa.

Charlotte Kensett, from Nationwide, said: "Time For A Cuppa can help tackle isolation."

MUG-NIFICENT: Teapot

Poison plot at stables

A FORMER nurse was caught on CCTV trying to feed rat poison to a horse in its stables.

Christine Campey, 68, was seen slipping bright pink grains of the rodent poison into the meal of dressage horse Elle in Warrington, Cheshire.

Campey, who said she had been on strong pain medication at the time, admitted the offence and was fined almost £1,000 by Chester Crown Court.

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Nuts for Pistachio

★ ONE of the smallest and cutest species of antelope has been born in the UK.

The Kirk's dik-dik was calved at Chessington World of Adventures in south London.

She's been named Pistachio – continuing a food theme with her mum Farfalle and dad Macaroon, who she lives with.

■ by VICTORIA SHIPP

★ Kirk's dik-diks, a species named after the sound they make when alarmed in the wild in Africa, only weigh up to 7kg when fully grown.

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Damien's love isle

DAMIEN Molony has fallen in love with Jersey since taking the lead role in Bergerac.

The actor, 41, said: "Oh my God I'm obsessed. I've been back three times since we filmed last September. I love it so much.

"I genuinely can't believe more things aren't filmed there because the natural beauty of the island is so stunning."

Going all aboard

HOLIDAY HEAVEN: No surprise charges

INCLUSIVE TRIPS ARE TOP CHOICE

BRITS are going "all in" when it comes to holiday packages.

All-inclusive holidays are the top choice for even more UK tourists since this month's bill hikes.

Three quarters of families have opted for them since April 1 when energy, water and tax increases hit, a study by

■ by DAVID O'DORNAN

On The Beach found. The firm's Zoe Harris said: "With the cost of living rising, it's no wonder savvy holidaymakers are going all-in on all-inclusive.

"Families are turning to hassle-free holidays where everything's taken care of, from ice creams to infinity pools, knowing they don't need to pay a penny extra – that is real peace of mind."

All-inclusive trips have been steadily on the rise, up 5% in the past two years and soaring since 2008 when, according to the Office for National Statistics, just 37% of punters chose them.

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Sacked over my politics

Dear James,

I HAVE recently been dismissed from my job role for what I believe to be very inappropriate reasons.

Without going into specifics, my political beliefs became apparent during an online work social gathering. It seems that these conflicted with those of the management team and my dismissal came shortly after.

Whilst I completely understand that not everyone is going to agree with me politically, I am pretty certain that this cannot legally be used as a reason for dismissal.

Where do I stand?

Ashton, Bristol

Picture posed by model

BEYOND BELIEF: Fired for views

James says:

YOU are indeed correct, Ashton. Your political beliefs on their own cannot be used as a reason for your dismissal. The fact that these beliefs were expressed during a social gathering, and not in the performance of your duties in the workplace, makes this dismissal even more egregious. You need to refer to the firm's policies and procedures regarding unfair dismissal and find out what you need to do next to challenge this decision. Hopefully this can be resolved internally but it may be that legal action is needed. I wish you the very best of luck.

Top tip

DISAGREEING with someone's politics is fine but it is important to be respectful, just as you'd expect your opinions to be respected.

OFFICE QUESTION TIME

THERE are many compelling reasons why a democratic voting system is completely anonymous – importantly, of course, it is to reduce risk of bias or voter intimidation. Another very important reason, however, is to protect people from being discriminated against for their political beliefs.

Being dismissed for privately holding political opinions that other people may not agree with is discrimination and any form of discrimination should not be tolerated.

However, if you know that your beliefs are, let's say, controversial, then keeping them to yourself can help to reduce the risk of potential conflict.

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DARTS CHAMP: Kaya

Lad,14, Nukes record

A DARTS-mad teen has broken a record previously set by Luke Littler.

Kaya Baysal, 14, has become the youngest-ever winner of a World Darts Federation Event – a record that was held by The Nuke.

"The Burnley Bristow" beat the reigning Budapest Classic champion Sybren Gijbels, 27, to take the title.

Kaya said: "I am over the moon. I didn't expect this.

"To be compared to Luke is amazing. I would like to play darts when I am older if possible."

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Early bird saving tip

A BANKING expert has said saving "little and often" is the secret to growing your money.

Xian Chan, of HSBC UK, advised people to start early even if you can only "afford small amounts".

12-year-old Elvis to play Graceland

Picture: WILLIAM DAX/SWNS

BRIT TRIBUTE ACT'S 2 'DREAM' SHOWS

■ by FILIPA GASPAR

BRITAIN'S youngest Elvis impersonator is picking his set-list for two "dream come true" gigs at Graceland.

Cooper Worthington, 12, left, has been a massive fan of the King of Rock 'n' Roll for as long as he can remember.

And now he has signed a contract with Elvis Presley Enterprises to go to Elvis's old home in Memphis, US, in August for two performance slots.

Cooper, of Paignton, Devon, said: "It is an amazing achievement because there are not many ETAs [Elvis Tribute Artists] that are younger than me. It is very exciting because I have never been before."

Asked what he will sing he said: "Early Elvis – I like 50s maybe a little bit of 60s. I want to be very alive and acting – wear lots of different outfits and be very upbeat. Elvis is the best male artist in the world. His personality, his singing, his moves.

"I love everything about him and performing as him."

Cooper was invited to perform after contacting Graceland officials.

His mum, Kelly Worthington, said: "We do feel really lucky."

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EASTENDERS LEGEN

EXCLUSIVE by Ed Gleave

VARIETY: Quiz host and, right from top, filming Ross Kemp On Gangs, outside the Queen Vic and picking up a Bafta in 2007

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D KEMP STILL ENJOYING TELLY AFTER 40 YEARS

There's no business like show quizness

ROSS Kemp has got no time for snobbery.

The TV legend often meets people in the industry who look down their noses at certain types of shows and he thinks they're idiots.

In fact, he reckons being open-minded is vital to have staying power in showbiz.

Ross says: "I'm open to everything, so long as it's something I can see myself doing well.

"There is so much snobbery attached to different varieties of television, but that's never bothered me.

"I will always do things that I think are good. If I think it'll work well, I'll try to take it on and do it to the best of my ability."

The 60-year-old knows first-hand how wise it is to try different things.

His attitude has helped him be a regular on primetime telly for four decades.

To this day, he's one of the busiest stars on the box.

"I'm very lucky," he says. "I've had 40 years in the business and I've had a real cocktail of things throughout my career. And I'm still mixing it up.

"What I always say is, 'Never say never to anything.' That makes things interesting.

"That's why we're here on this Earth… to enjoy things and have as many experiences as we can. That's what I'm doing and I'm succeeding."

Ross started working in TV in the mid-80s, but it was his debut as Grant Mitchell on EastEnders in 1990 that turned him into a household name.

While many actors and critics sneer at soaps, he is very proud of his time on one.

He says: "A lot of people leave soaps and they don't want to talk about them after that, but I do.

"I'm incredibly proud that I was on it for as long as I was. I have always believed that EastEnders does what the BBC is there to do – inform, educate and entertain. It's important."

After becoming a big name on EastEnders, Ross branched out into documentaries.

Very quickly he became known for fronting hard-hitting programmes from the frontline in war zones.

It earned him praise from critics and even a Bafta gong for Best Factual Series.

Since then his career has taken another surprise turn into the world of game shows.

Ross signed up to front Bridge Of Lies for the BBC – even though many big-name stars would think they're above that sort of format.

"A game show is the last thing I thought I would ever do," shares Ross.

Bored

"But when I got sent details about it, I could visualise it. I could see myself doing it.

"When I talked it through with the execs, I could see it working."

Doing a variety of formats means Ross is never bored. One day can be very different to the next.

He says: "While I was in the middle of filming the new series of Bridge Of Lies, I went to do a documentary with the Colombian Special Forces about blowing up cocaine labs.

"The two shows could not be more opposite!"

Ross also gets very different treatment depending on what he is working on.

He says: "When I'm filming Bridge Of Lies, I'll have someone there who will get me a Berocca and honey to drink.

"But when I'm doing a documentary there are only three or four of us and I'll be the one fetching whatever we're drinking for the night.

"They are two very different situations."

Because he's made so many shows over the years, Ross regularly gets recognised by fans when he's out and about. But these days, it's not always for EastEnders.

"When I'm at the supermarket, no one mentions EastEnders or documentaries these days," he admits.

"It's Bridge Of Lies. The people at the checkout will talk to me about it.

"I do get some people mentioning Grant Mitchell, but not as much as they used to."

Ross wants to keep enjoying plenty of variety.

He will turn 61 this summer, but he's got no plans to slow down or retire any time soon.

The Barking-born talent is keen to keep making Bridge Of Lies for years to come along with its celebrity version, which is back for a new series on BBC One next month.

He said: "Everyone who works on the show gets on well and the show works.

"We are winning our slot over ITV, so we must be doing something right.

"And it gets me out of the house!"

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THE DOCTOR: Ncuti Gatwa

Dr Who's knockers need to keep up

Dr Who has never been so good. So you people who are knocking it need to move with the times. Just like Dr Who has. **HUGO J**

Shame on BBC tv for confining two biblical films {King of Kings, and The Robe} to fridays early morning slot. There was a time when they would have been the main afternoon feature films. **ZIGGY F**

does anyone care about the Beckham's bang average footballer a singer wife who mimed and failed designer. Kids do nothing but pose for the camera and freeload. No wonder he can't get a knighthood. **patternman**

been watching Mel Geidroyc's truly awful performances on BBC's teatime trivia show Pointless. Will have to revise my Mel & Sue synonym of, the Unpronounceable & the Unwatchable, to The Talentless Twosome. How have these annoying woman got so far on tv? honestly, which box do they tick? certainly not the box marked talented? They really are a nails on a blackboard watch. **Mark Dougall**

Sorry Andy York, Your quite right just thought I'd mention a few Greats. It's been said most great Drummers claimed the Jazz Drummer Buddy Rich was the Best ever. **Mad scaff**

Anon: I think the vet on this morning show would be a better host on the love of dogs as he does love dogs. **Big Les**

Ive just started dating the woman from the weather forecast channel on TV. It's nice to be with a bird who is wrong most of the time. **Fran Mcmahon Liverpool**

Immoral & cowardly for U.S. to abandon Ukraine

Could we see Sarah Catherine Hook from White Lotus on Texts? *Alex, Burslem*

The war in Ukraine is still killing people and recent actions from Russia indicate they are unlikely to stop attacking. Peace is a long way off. This is made worse by the statement from US Secretary of State Marco Rubio that they would "move on" and stop helping with peace talks unless they see some success. This is a disappointing update from "I'll have that done in 24 hours." Even with the best of intentions by the best negotiators peace talks can take a long time and not always end with a successful outcome. The idea of not contributing to the process because it is difficult, boring or not generating positive news items is wrong and the action of an immoral coward. **Dennis Fitzgerald**

To israel you are no longer the victim of 7th october atrocity, but you are now the agressors & committing acts of war criminals, i condemn you for agression, violence, hatred, contempt for human life, you are no longer looking for hamas, but hatred & contempt & revenge, you're no better than mad vlad putin. **Laurence**

I Get up 5 am to lay brick Why should we have the ukrane and isreael wars ramed down our throats every day. who cares. They be better of sorting the Rats in BIRMINGHAM Out. **A.REALIST**

If the government is going to axe the Legal Legacy Act that protects ex soldiers who served in Ireland in the troubles, which means these can stand trial. Then labour must make a law that all IRA bo.bers and killers and murderers are brought to justice and trial. You can not have one without the other. I would say that is illegal. And up to now, none have faced murder charges. We stand with our vet troops who served in Ireland. **Stockton Jeff**

This judgement is an absolute joke because in an instant, all trans people have been demonised for just for being who they are. Why is it we are now fair game for every brain dead Muppet to abuse and insult. What you fail to realise Is trans people have rights too, or they did until this ruling p***ed all over them... hell even asylum seekers have more rights so how the hell can that be right. This is 2025 not the bloody dark ages but bigots like JK Rowling don't see it that. It sickens me that in this so called "civilised" country that lesbian, gay and bi people don't get hassle but trans people are singled out for abuse... and yes I am trans. I get abuse every single day and that's not nice when you're threatened with physical assault. **Anna, Lowestoft, Trans & proud of it**

To the nut zero and eco fanatics. If you steal billions of acres of our green and pleasant land from our farmers, that provides food for us and converts cabon dioxide to oxygen whilst being habitat for insects and birds. Then you cover it with solar panels , how will this benefit us when you have stopped the production of food and killed the life under them. ECO IDIOTS. **GREENY BARNSLEY**

The average safer street community wardens wear body armour / a stab vest yet only now after a CAT A Frankland prison incident seeing boiling oil thrown over 4 members of staff one seriously injured is a 'snap review' going to be considered by the govt. A (POA) PRISON OFFICER ASSOCIATION official declared 'staff could die' unless security is addressed. Even some parking attendants wear body armour & remarkably here we are debating body armour for CAT A prisons. **Brian Linford Pontefract**

If that french british hater Macron is given a state visit hear i hope they bring him over in a f.....g Pedalo. **SE9 STEVE**

Brian linford: judging by your texts I believe you've got artificial intelligence. **TETS**

Nice pic of 2 tits on Friday's maniacs page. Of course I meant the birds! But then again?! **COSMO**

JOKE OF THE DAY

What's happened to Millie Bobby Brown? She seems to have gone from Eleven to Perfect Ten almost overnight!
The Earl of East Yorkshire

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MODEL: Anderson

Leo Up for fun

SUPERMODEL Leomie Anderson promises the new series of **Glow Up: Britain's Next Make-Up Star** will provide lashings of fun.

The host teased what viewers can expect from the latest battle of the blusher brushes, back on BBC Three from April 30.

She gushed: "[It] will have you hooked because of how big the talent pool and personalities are."

The bond between her and judges Val Garland and Dominic Skinner is tighter than ever.

She added: "It's always a laugh. They're literally the aunt and uncle you need in your life."

★ NATURE calls for Martin Clunes in his new travel doc **Islands Of The Atlantic**.

Across ITV's three-parter, starting May 2, the actor comes face-to-face with creatures great and small, from baby turtles to snap-happy crocs.

★ Recalling a run-in off the coast of Guinea-Bissau, Africa, he said: "Saltwater crocodiles in Australia, I'd be wary of, they can outrun a man.

"But I wasn't worried about the ones we saw [here]. They wouldn't go for me."

★ SOUNDS like Steve Coogan couldn't have p-p-p-picked a better screen partner in **The Penguin Lessons**.

In the curveball comedy film, he plays a schoolteacher who forms an unlikely bond with a seabird – and he didn't get into a flap filming with a real-life version.

★ He said: "We had to be quiet on sets to not distress the penguin – that had a kind of calming effect on the whole crew.

"So, in actual fact, it was a sort of serene place to be compared with some of the sets I've been on!"

LIE BACK & RELAX

SOME unlucky-in-love singletons are about to discover that liars really do not prosper…

Hosts Vicky Pattison and Lucinda Light, of **MAFS Australia** fame, will be on fib-sniffing duties for E4's cheeky new dating show **The Honesty Box**. The series, kicking off at 9pm on April 28, invites contestants to "Truetopia" – a paradise where there is just one rule: Do not lie.

Matches are made and budding romances blossom before being put to the test by a state-of-the-art lie detection system.

Among the 12 "Truetopians" are salesman Tommy ("I've got Spidey senses!") and property inspector Jess, who says: "I'd rather walk over a mile of plugs than have another situationship!"

Gary Taking time out for wine tour

CHEERS: Barlow in Australia for his new show

STAR'S FEELING ROSÉ

TAKE That's Gary Barlow has put a cork – quite literally – in plans to one day manage future music talent.

Despite his stint as a judge on **The X Factor**, the chart-topper doesn't fancy taking the next generation of stars under his wing.

He said: "After all these years – I'm 54 now – I'm really enjoying where I am at right now.

"Young talent, I always try to encourage and help. But managing someone? Not for me. Having had three children, [that's] the brutalist form of management!" And things really are rosy, or rather, rosé, for Gary after the launch of his travelogue show **Food And Wine Tour: Australia** on ITV.

He added: "I always say [to the guests], 'Be careful, pace yourself.' Some days, we're stood in the middle of the vineyards, there's a red, white, sparkling, and it's about 9.10 in the morning. You've got to be so careful… the first few mouthfuls are nice, but you've got the rest of the day."

At one point Gary is joined by daughter Emily – but he stresses his kids aren't even slightly interested in showbiz: "Funnily, none of them want to do anything to do with singing or TV… I think I've put them off!"

★ BEEB bosses are heading back Down Under for **Return To Paradise**.

Due to air on BBC One later this year, filming is currently under way on season two of Australia's successful **Death In Paradise** spin-off.

★ Set in Sydney, the sun-kissed whodunnit follows DI Mackenzie Clarke (Anna Samson) and her team.

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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 Rip Off Britain Transactions made after the customer had cancelled their bank card.
10.15 Dr Xand's Con or Cure
10.45 Animal Park (R)
11.15 Homes Under the Hammer Property auctions. (R)
12.15pm Bargain Hunt
1.00 BBC News at One; Weather
1.30 FILM **The Snail and the Whale** (2019, U) Animated adaptation. ★★★★
2.00 Attenborough and the Sea Dragon (R)
3.00 Escape to the Country A sporty couple want a dream home in rural Suffolk.
3.45 The Bidding Room People try to sell lightning rods.
4.30 The Finish Line Quiz. (R)
5.15 Pointless With Alexander Armstrong and Mel Giedroyc.
6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather
6.15 Regional News; Weather
6.25 The One Show With Roman Kemp and Clara Amfo.
6.50 EastEnders Nigel spies an opportunity to prove himself.
7.20 FILM **Dumbo** (2019, PG) Premiere. A young elephant, whose oversized ears enable him to fly, helps save a troubled circus. However, when the establishment plans a new venture, Dumbo and his friends discover dark secrets beneath its colourful veneer. Tim Burton's live action adaptation of Walt Disney's 1941 animated fantasy film, starring Colin Farrell, Danny DeVito, Michael Keaton, Eva Green and Alan Arkin. ★★★★
9.00 Paddy and Chris: Road Tripping Paddy McGuinness and Chris Harris explore Switzerland's wellness industry, and go through a rigorous training programme that reveals their true biological ages. (R)
10.00 BBC News at Ten A round-up of today's headlines.
10.25 Regional News; Weather
10.35 Have I Got a Bit More News for You Katherine Parkinson hosts an extended episode of the satirical quiz, with comedian Julian Clary and journalist Jemima Kelly joining regular team captains Paul Merton and Ian Hislop.
11.20 Just Act Normal Double bill. When their mother disappears, Tiana, Tionne and Tanika fight to hide the truth from the outside world in order to stay together. Comedy drama, with Chenee Taylor, Kaydrah Walker-Wilkie and Akins Subair; as the siblings' secret is exposed, Tiana confronts her dad. Dr Feelgood offers to help, but there's a catch. (R)
12.40am Weather for the Week Ahead **12.45-6.00am** BBC News

BBC Two

6.05am Bargain Hunt (R)
6.50 Sign Zone: The Repair Shop A life-sized model horse. (R)
7.50 Match of the Day 2 (R)
9.00 BBC News
10.00 LIVE **Snooker: The World Championship** Rishi Persad presents coverage of the morning session on day three, featuring the conclusion of a first-round match.
12.00noon BBC News
1.00 LIVE **Snooker: The World Championship** Coverage from the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, featuring the conclusion of a first-round match and the start of another.
6.00 Richard Osman's House of Games Quiz-based games. (R)
6.30 Great British Railway Journeys Michael begins a tour of the Midlands with a journey from Shrewsbury to Telford. He re-enacts the Battle of Shrewsbury, then marvels at the beauty of Shrewsbury Cathedral before riding the Telford Steam Railway's flagship locomotive along the revived Wellington to Craven Arms line.
7.00 Grand Tours of Scotland's Rivers Exploring the lower reaches of the Spey. (R)
7.30 Mastermind Clive Myrie hosts, with specialist questions on Caravaggio, Premier League darts, Inside No 9 and Grace Hopper.
8.00 Chess Masters: The Endgame Nine-year-old prodigy Bodhana Sivanandan helps decide who will go through to the final.
8.30 University Challenge The first of the semi-finals. Amol Rajan asks the questions.
9.00 Pilgrimage: The Road Through the Alps The pilgrims face challenging routes ahead of them, including deep snow drifts, before learning how the people of one village harness the mountain water to make their electricity.
10.00 FILM **9 to 5** (1980, 15) Three downtrodden female office employees grow fed up with their chauvinistic boss, and spend hours daydreaming about getting their own back. Unexpectedly their fantasies become reality, teaching him a long-overdue lesson. Comedy, starring Dolly Parton, Jane Fonda and Lily Tomlin. ★★★
11.45 Snooker: World Championship Extra Rishi Persad presents extended highlights of first-round matches from day three.
1.45am Sign Zone: Countryfile. Exploring the Stroudwater Canal in Gloucestershire, where a major restoration project is bringing this historic waterway back to life. (R) **2.40** Sign Zone: Twitter: Breaking the Bird. The entrepreneurs who created Twitter. (R) **4.00-6.15am** This Is BBC Two

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.
1.45 ITV News; Weather
1.50 Regional News; Weather
1.55 Alan Titchmarsh's Gardening Club David Domoney shares plant support ideas and Tayshan Hayden-Smith explores a Welsh community garden.
2.55 Tipping Point: Lucky Stars Shane Richie, the Rev Kate Bottley and Tom Read Wilson take part in the quiz. (R)
3.55 The Chase Celebrity Special Julia Goulding, Oz Clarke, Laura Hamilton and Mr Motivator answer general knowledge questions and work as a team to take on one of the ruthless Chasers and secure a charity prize. (R)
5.00 LIVE **EFL** Burnley v Sheffield United (kick-off 5.30pm). Hugh Woozencroft presents coverage of the Championship match at Turf Moor.
7.45 ITV Evening News A round-up of the day's news headlines; Weather
8.00 Coronation Street George lands Todd and Sarah in trouble with Danielle, while Dylan fights back when Brody goads him, and Jenny finally meets Dom in the flesh. Sean accuses Gemma of siding with his enemy.
9.00 Celebrity Big Brother The reality show in which famous faces move in together, ready to have their every move recorded for the enjoyment of the viewing public, continues, as the remaining celebrities enter their third week.
10.00 G'wed When Ted is paired with 14-year-old Albie in a school mentoring scheme, the issue of Albie's struggles with anorexia becomes apparent to him. Comedy drama, starring Jake Kenny-Byrne. (R)
10.30 ITV News at Ten; Weather
10.49 Regional Weather
10.50 An Evening with Elton John and Brandi Carlile A concert from the London Palladium in which the pair perform songs from their album Who Believes in Angels?, as well as duetting on each other's songs. (R)
12.00m't English Football League Highlights. Action from the latest matches, including Leeds United v Stoke City, Sunderland v Blackburn Rovers and Burnley v Sheffield United in the Championship. **1.15** Shop on TV **3.00** Bali 2002 (R) **3.50** Unwind with ITV **5.05-6.00am** Wheel of Fortune (R)

Channel 4

6.00am Countdown (R)
6.40 Cheers Four episodes. (R)
8.30 Everybody Loves Raymond Double bill of the sitcom. (R)
9.30 Frasier Double bill. (R)
10.35 FILM **Mr Popper's Penguins** (2011, PG) Family comedy, starring Jim Carrey. ★★★
12.25pm FILM **The Borrowers** (1997, U) Children's fantasy, starring John Goodman and Jim Broadbent. ★★★
2.10 Countdown With guest Tanni Grey-Thompson.
3.00 A Place in the Sun (R)
4.00 A New Life in the Sun: Where Are They Now? Scuba diving company owners Jo and Ed sink their savings into relocating. (R)
5.00 Chateau DIY Eight guests are due at the stunning Château Lagorce, as Anna and Edward launch their French Experience Weekends. But there are storm clouds on the horizon.
6.00 A Place in the Sun A married couple seek an apartment on Spain's Costa del Sol. (R)
6.30 Channel 4 News
7.00 Food Unwrapped's Great British Grub The Food Unwrapped team celebrate all things British in this special. Kate Quilton finds out what golden syrup is made of, and Helen Lawal learns the history of Yorkshire pudding.
8.00 Secrets of Supermarket Buyers Denise van Outen discovers shopping secrets. In this episode, Denise learns amazing truths behind the scenes at Aldi and Lidl, from wine and wagyu beef to special offers and loyalty prizes.
9.00 NEW **999: The Critical List** Documentary following the critical list team at the Royal Blackburn Hospital, as they juggle urgent cases. Tonight, operating theatre coordinator Niki is juggling the busiest month in five years for A&E.
10.00 Gogglebox The armchair critics gather in their homes and share their opinions on what they have been watching during the week, with cameras capturing their instant reactions and the lively discussions prompted. (R)
11.05 Celebrity Gogglebox Famous faces including Miquita and Andi Oliver, Big Zuu, Hyder and Tubsey, Shaun Ryder and Bez, and Clare Balding and Alice Arnold comment on shows from June 2023. (R)
12.05am The Nevermets. Leah invites Chad and his daughter to stay with her in Glasgow. (R) **1.00** Gypsy Rose: Life After Lock Up **1.50** FILM Arkansas (2020, 15) Thriller, with Liam Hemsworth. ★★★ **3.45** Hollyoaks Omnibus (R) **4.50** Location, Location, Location (R) **5.45-6.25am** Countdown (R)

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6.00am Milkshake! Children's TV.
9.15 Jeremy Vine Discussion.
11.30 Storm Huntley
12.30pm Vanessa Discussions on relationships, parenting, gossip, fashion and more, presented by Vanessa Feltz.
1.40 5 News at Lunchtime
1.45 Home and Away Cash and Remi's tension continues. (R)
2.15 FILM **The Jane Mysteries: Murder at Moseby** (2024, PG) Premiere. Private eye Jane goes undercover to help an ex-boyfriend solve a crime he may have witnessed years ago. Whodunit, starring Jodie Sweetin. ★★
4.00 The Cruise: Fun-Loving Brits at Sea The holiday-makers visit Athens. (R)
5.00 5 News at 5
5.05 Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun Susan hopes her horse charity quiz is a hit. (R)
6.00 GPs: Behind Closed Doors Doctors examine ongoing nausea, patches of raised skin and an injured foot. (R) Followed by 5 News Update
7.00 Police Interceptors Officers Keith and Charlie pursue a dangerous driver who is sailing through red lights. Tarnia is patient when a drink driver subjects her to a torrent of abuse, until he spits in her face. (R) Followed by 5 News
8.00 Motorway Cops: Catching Britain's Speeders A Range Rover refuses to stop for Northumbria Police. PCs Jamie Leslie and Maire Curran race to back up the patrol on its tail and the suspects ditch the car.
9.00 The Feud Emma installs a CCTV camera at home, determined to find out who is sending the notes, while her colleague Ian becomes determined to prove she lied in court. Mystery drama, starring Jill Halfpenny and Amy Nuttall.
10.00 Murder Scene: The Incident Room The investigation into the 1989 murder of Stockton-on-Tees woman Julie Hogg, whose body was found behind her bath – a case that changed British law for ever. (R)
11.05 999: Emergency Call Out In Dartford, Special Constable Roisin and Paramedic Katy are called to the scene of a suspected terrorist bomb in a busy shopping centre. Plus, a knife fight, and a woman who fell in the middle of a road. (R)
12.05am Police Interceptors. The National Police Air Service to stop two suspects. (R) **1.00** PlayOJO Live Casino Show **3.00** Friends: double bill (R) **3.50** Secrets of the Imperial War Museum (R) **4.40** The Wonderful World of Chocolate (R) **5.30** Entertainment News on 5 **5.40-6.00am** Milkshake!

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6.00am CITV **9.00** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **9.15** Dress to Impress **10.15** FILM Flushed Away (2006, U) Animated comedy, featuring the voice of Hugh Jackman. ★★★★ **12.05pm** Deal or No Deal **1.05** Supermarket Sweep **2.05** Celebrity Catchphrase **3.05** FILM Shark Tale (2004, U) Animated comedy, with the voice of Will Smith. ★★★★ **4.55** FILM Matilda (1996, PG) Children's fantasy comedy, starring Mara Wilson. ★★★★

7.00 Deal or No Deal Gameshow.
8.00 The 1% Club Quiz-based gameshow.
9.00 Family Guy Animated double bill.
10.00 Celebrity Big Brother: Late and Live Exclusive content and updates.
11.05 Family Guy Lois and Peter bicker.
11.35 American Dad! Double bill.
12.30am Bob's Burgers: double bill **1.35** Shopping with Keith Lemon **2.05** World's Funniest Videos **2.35** Unwind with ITV **3.00** Teleshopping **4.30** Unwind with ITV **5.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

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6.00am Teleshopping **7.05** Travel Man: 48 Hours in Dubrovnik **7.40** Rick Stein's Fresh Food **8.05** Top Gear Patagonia Special **10.50** Gavin & Stacey: six episodes **2.30pm** Guy Martin: The World's Fastest Van? **4.00** Guy Martin: Proper Jobs **5.00** Hairy Bikers Everyday Gourmets. Indulgent dishes.

6.00 Rick Stein's Cornwall Double bill.
7.00 Would I Lie to You? With guest panellists Johnny Vegas, Alex Jones, Martin Lewis and Anna Maxwell-Martin.
7.40 Richard Osman's House of Games
9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You
10.00 QI XL Extended edition. With Jeremy Clarkson, Sandi Toksvig and Danny Baker.
11.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Jimmy Carr hosts, with captains Rob Beckett and Katherine Ryan, and guests Tom Allen, Maya Jama, Richard Osman and Catherine Bohart.
12.00m't Mock the Week **12.40** Would I Lie to You? **2.00** Survivor South Africa **4.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

E4 Freeview 13

6.00am Hollyoaks **6.55** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **7.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** The Simpsons **9.00** The Big Bang Theory **10.00** Young Sheldon **11.00** Modern Family **12.30pm** The Big Bang Theory **2.00** Young Sheldon **3.00** Modern Family **4.00** The Simpsons **5.00** The Big Bang Theory

6.30 The Simpsons Homer hires a PI.
7.00 Hollyoaks Leela and Joel work on their marriage, but Tommy is left feeling burnt.
7.30 Married at First Sight Australia It's the penultimate Commitment Ceremony.
9.05 Made in Chelsea Sam Prince asks Zeyno out for a drink and she accepts.
10.10 First Dates A tattooed teetotaller is among the latest diners. Last in series.
11.15 Naked Attraction Dating show.
12.20am Gogglebox. TV shows aired in October 2022. **1.20** Married at First Sight Australia **2.55** Made in Chelsea **3.50** The Goldbergs **4.45** The Neighborhood **5.10-6.00am** Modern Family

Telly movies

JURASSIC PARK ★★★★★ (1993), ITV4, 5.30pm Steven Spielberg's blockbuster invites Sam Neill and Laura Dern to preview a safari park filled with genetically engineered dinosaurs – but the prehistoric beasts escape their cages. The plot may be a rehash of author Michael Crichton's earlier hit, *Westworld*, but *Jurassic Park* is still one of the greatest shows on earth thanks to dazzling visual effects, immersive sound, and Jeff Goldblum's wonderful performance.

DUMBO ★★★ (2019), BBC One, 7.20pm Tim Burton's live-action reworking of Disney's 1941 animation might lack the old-fashioned charm of the hand-drawn film and some of the emotion, but as a spectacle, you'll believe a digitally rendered elephant can fly. The director tempers his macabre tendencies to deliver a family-friendly fairytale that ends on a note of liberation, not exploitation.

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6.00am Breakfast with Eamonn 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 GBN Tonight A look at 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 The latest topical discussion and debate.
11.00 Headliners An all-star comedy cast take an insightful look at some of tomorrow's headlines tonight.
12.00m't GBN 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

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8.55am Heir Hunters **11.00** A New Life in the Sun **12.00noon** A Place in the Sun **2.35** Come Dine with Me: five episodes

5.15 Four in a Bed Five episodes.
7.55 Kirstie and Phil's Love It or List It Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer help baptist ministers Chris and Caroline decide whether to sell up or keep their home in Alnwick, Northumberland.
9.00 Warplane Workshop A C47 transport plane, that was badly damaged by anti-aircraft fire while dropping British paratroopers in 1944, returns to the scene of the ill-fated Arnhem landings.
10.00 24 Hours in A&E Double bill. Cameras follow 56-year-old Dave, who fell from a ladder at work. Doctors are concerned that he may have life-changing damage to his spine; how individuals adapt and survive in the face of adversity.
12.10am 999: On the Front Line **1.15** Emergency Helicopter Medics **3.25-3.55am** Food Unwrapped

Variations & S4C

WALES As BBC1 except: 1.20-1.30pm BBC Wales Today; Weather **6.15-6.25** BBC Wales Today; Weather **9.00-10.00** Saving Lives in Cardiff. An operation to cure a woman's extreme facial spasm has challenging results. **10.25** BBC Wales Today; Weather **10.30** Scrum V Highlights. Action from Judgement Day. **11.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You. Katherine Parkinson hosts an extended episode of the satirical quiz. **11.45** Just Act Normal. Comedy drama about three siblings, starring Chenee Taylor, Kaydrah Walker-Wilkie and Akins Subair. **12.20am** Just Act Normal. The siblings' secret is exposed. **1.05-6.00am** BBC News

MERIDIAN As ITV1 except: 1.50-1.55pm ITV News Meridian. The latest headlines.

CENTRAL As ITV1 except: 1.50-1.55pm ITV News Central. The latest headlines.

ITV WALES As ITV1 except: 1.50-1.55pm ITV News Cymru Wales. The latest headlines.

WEST As ITV1 except: 1.50-1.55pm ITV News West Country. The latest headlines.

ANGLIA As ITV1 except: 1.50-1.55pm ITV News Anglia. The latest headlines.

WESTCOUNTRY As ITV1 except: 1.50-1.55pm ITV News West Country

S4C 6.00am Cyw **12.00noon** Dan Do: Ty Eifion Ac Amanda **12.15pm** Heno **1.00** Ty am Ddim **2.00** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **2.05** Prynhawn Da **3.00** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **3.05** Iaith ar Daith **4.00** Awr Fawr **5.00** Stwnsh **6.00** Y Tyrchwyr gyda Iolo Williams. Iolo Williams bids farewell to the mammals living in the burrows. Last in series. **6.30** Rownd a Rownd. Lowri comes up with a plan that will lift her spirits. **6.57** Newyddion S4C **7.00** Heno. Stories from all over Wales. **7.45** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **8.00** Colleen Ramsey: Bywyd a Bwyd. The presenter reveals the kinds of foods she and her family enjoy on the weekend. **8.25** Garddio a Mwy. Sioned is celebrating Easter with a beautiful spring bouquet. **8.55** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **9.00** Cefn Gwlad. A community business crew who collect and press apples to make Pisgah Chi cider. **10.00** Sgorio. From the final round of fixtures in the JD Cymru Premier, with Barry Town United v Briton Ferry Llansawel and Haverfordwest County v The New Saints. **10.30-11.35pm** Gwesty Aduniad. The hotel staff reunite two brothers.

Hot TV CHOICE With Mike Ward

Ever wondered why tea tastes different when you're abroad? Personally, I wasn't aware that it did, but yep, apparently so.

In FOOD UNWRAPPED'S GREAT BRITISH GRUB (7pm, Channel 4), reporter Kate Quilton goes in search of the answer — and finds it so quickly that you're left to wonder why she didn't just Google it or ring someone...

So is it because the water abroad tastes different? Or because they use different blends of leaf? Well, those may be factors as well, but the most significant thing turns out to be the quantity of tea in each bag. Amazing, eh? The things we learn from watching the telly.

Snip open the sort of teabag you're most likely to get on your travels — ie. one of those funny little bags on a string — and you'll find the contents weigh around 1.5g. Do the same to a plain British teabag and you'll find they weigh nearly twice that.

That's because the vast majority of us here — not including me, but then I'm weird — drink our tea with milk, so the tea needs to be strong enough to handle that. Overseas, on the other hand, people are more likely to drink it black. If black tea is served too strong you can pretty much break a tooth on it, or so it feels. Hence the bags are geared towards those of us who'd rather not do that.

In a separate investigation, fellow reporter John Whaite asks: "Why on earth is there beer in my fish batter?"

As opposed to: "Why on earth is there fish batter in my beer?", which is usually the opening line to a fight.

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Sport

SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Good Morning Sports Fans **10.00** The Football Show **11.00** Ref Watch. Some of the refereeing decisions.
12.00noon LIVE **EFL** Newport County v Walsall (kick-off 12.30pm). Coverage of the League Two match at Rodney Parade, as the teams meet for the second time this season.
2.45 LIVE **EFL** Leeds United v Stoke City (kick-off 3.00pm). Coverage of the match at Elland Road.
5.00 LIVE **EFL** Burnley v Sheffield United (kick-off 5.30pm). Coverage of the match at Turf Moor, as the title rivals face each other in a vital game.
7.30 LIVE **MNF** Tottenham Hotspur v Nottingham Forest (kick-off 8.00pm). Coverage of the Premier League match from Tottenham Hotspur Stadium. The visitors are still chasing an unexpected top-four finish after an impressive season that has also seen them reach the semi-finals of the FA Cup. The hosts on the other hand have had a disappointing campaign up until this point, with injuries playing a part in a season that has seen them drop into the bottom half of the table.
11.00 Eubanks Snr v Benn 1990. Chris Eubank v Nigel Benn. A chance to see the first bout between the rivals from November 1990, which was for the WBO WOrld Middleweight title.
12.00m't-6.00am Sky Sports News

SKY SPORTS CRICKET

6.00am IPL **10.10** Ashes Greats **10.30** Best of ICC WT20: double bill **11.00** IPL: four episodes
2.50pm LIVE **IPL** Kolkata Knight Riders v Gujarat Titans. Coverage of the T20 match at Eden Gardens in Kolkata. The Knight Riders are the reigning champions, while the Titans will be looking to improve this season after ending the 2024 campaign in eighth place.
7.00 LIVE **Pakistan Super League** Karachi Kings v Peshawar Zalmi. Coverage from Karachi.
8.00 Best of ICC WT20 **8.15** Best of ICC WT20 **8.30** Best of ICC WT20 **8.45** Best of ICC WT20 **9.00** IPL **10.00** IPL **11.00** Pakistan Super League Highlights **12.00m't** IPL **5.10** Ashes Greats **5.30-6.00am** Best of ICC WT20

SKY SPORTS FOOTBALL

6.00am EFL Highlights **9.00** WSL **9.30** EFL Highlights **11.30** WSL: six episodes
12.00noon LIVE **EFL** Newport County v Walsall (kick-off 12.30pm). From Rodney Parade.
2.45 LIVE **EFL** Leeds United v Stoke City (kick-off 3.00pm). Coverage from Elland Road.
5.00 LIVE **EFL** Burnley v Sheffield United (kick-off 5.30pm). Coverage from Turf Moor.
8.00 LIVE **Baller League** The fifth round of the UK-based version of the six-a-side league.
11.00 Bundesliga Highlights Show
12.00m't-6.00am EFL Highlights

SKY SPORTS GOLF

6.00am PGA Tour Golf **7.00** DP World Tour Golf
12.00noon PGA Tour Golf **5.00** Playing Lessons **5.30** Playing Lessons **6.00** HotelPlanner Tour Golf Highlights **6.30** DP World Tour Golf **7.00** PGA Tour Golf **8.00** LPGA Tour Golf **10.00** PGA Tour Golf **11.00** HotelPlanner Tour Golf Highlights **11.30** DP World Tour Golf **12.00m't** PGA Tour Golf **1.00** Ladies European Tour Golf **2.00-6.00am** PGA Tour Golf

TNT SPORTS 1

6.00am LIVE **AFL** Geelong Cats v Hawthorn Hawks (Bounce-up 6.20am). Coverage of the match from Melbourne Cricket Ground.
9.00 The WRC Magazine **9.30** Premier League Stories **10.00** Premier League – The Big Interview **10.30** Women's Cycling World Tour **11.30** Men's Cycling World Tour
12.30pm LIVE **Men's Cycling Pro Series** Coverage of stage one of the Tour of the Alps.
2.45 LIVE **Women's Cycling Pro Series** The Ronde de Mouscron. Coverage of the one-day race held in Mouscron, Belgium.
4.30 NWSL **5.30** IFSC Climbing World Cup Highlights. Action from Keqiao. **6.30** Serie A
7.30 LIVE **Serie A** Parma v Juventus (kick-off 7.45pm). Coverage of the Italian top-flight match.
9.45 Superbike Rewind. Action from the third round. **10.00** UFC Main Event **11.00** NBA
12.30am LIVE **NBA** Coverage of a play-off match.
3.00-6.00am AFL. Double bill of highlights.

TNT SPORTS 2

6.00am Serie A **7.00** NBA Action **7.30** AFL **10.30** UEFA Champions League Highlights Show **11.30** NBA on Fire **12.00noon** NBA **3.00** MLB Highlights. Action from Major League Baseball.
4.00 LIVE **MLB** Boston Red Sox v Chicago White Sox (Start time 4.10pm). Coverage of the American League match from Fenway Park.
7.15 MLB Classic **7.45** MLB Classic **8.15** The Rugby Review **9.00** Fishing: On the Bank **9.30** Fishing: On the Bank **10.00** AFL **11.30** Ally's Social Club **12.00m't** The WRC Magazine **12.30** UEFA Champions League Magazine **1.00** Men's Cycling Pro Series **2.00** Women's Cycling Pro Series **3.00** Women's Cycling World Tour **4.00** Men's Cycling World Tour **5.00-6.00am** IFSC Climbing World Cup Highlights

BEST OF THE REST – LIVE SPORT

2.45-5.00pm LIVE **EFL** West Bromwich Albion v Derby County (kick-off 3.00pm). Coverage of the match at The Hawthorns, where the teams will be desperate for three points. (Sky Sports +)

Entertainment & Factual

BBC THREE Freeview 23

7.00pm Gladiators **8.00** Dragons' Den US – Shark Tank. This edition features a twist on traditional sauces and a vibrant beauty and lifestyle brand that celebrates the creators' multicultural heritage. **8.40** John Krasinski: The Story So Far **9.00** The Apprentice **10.00** The Apprentice: You're Hired **10.30** Wagspiracy: Vardy v Rooney **11.15** Cuckoo **12.10am** Ibiza: Secrets of the Party Island **1.40** Ashley Cain: Into the Danger Zone **2.40** John Krasinski: The Story So Far **3.00-4.00am** Cuckoo

BBC FOUR Freeview 9

7.00pm LIVE Snooker: The World Championship. Seema Jaswal presents coverage of the evening session on day three from the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, featuring the conclusion of a first-round match and the start of another. **10.00** Turner: The Man Who Painted Britain **11.00** Artists and Models **12.25am** Art of France **1.25** Turner: The Man Who Painted Britain **2.25-3.50am** Artists and Models

5USA Freeview 21

9.00am Entertainment News on 5 **9.10** NCIS **12.00noon** Law & Order **6.00** NCIS **9.00** NCIS: Hawaii **10.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **1.50am** Blue Bloods **2.45** The Good Wife **3.35-4.00am** Car Pound Cops

ITV3 Freeview 10

6.00am George and Mildred **8.05** On the Buses **9.10** FILM Bless This House (1972/U) ★★ **10.55** FILM Carry On Loving (1970/PG) ★★ **12.50pm** FILM Carry On At Your Convenience (1971/PG) ★★ **2.40** FILM Carry On Abroad (1972/PG) ★★ **4.25** FILM Carry On Girls (1973/PG) ★★ **6.10** FILM Carry On Behind (1975/PG) Comedy, starring Kenneth Williams and Elke Sommer. ★★★ **8.00** Midsomer Murders **10.00** Foyle's War **11.50** Inspector Morse **1.50am** On the Buses **2.40** Unwind with ITV **3.00** Teleshopping **4.30-5.00am** Unwind with ITV

ITV4 Freeview 26

6.00am Football League Legends **6.10** The Protectors **6.40** The Sweeney **7.40** The Saint **8.45** Magnum, PI **9.50** Kojak **10.55** BattleBots **11.55** FILM Chisum (1970/PG) ★★ **2.15pm** LIVE ITV Racing: Irish Grand National. Oli Bell presents coverage of the Irish Grand National from Fairyhouse, plus racing from Kempton Park and Plumpton. **5.30** FILM Jurassic Park (1993/PG) Steven Spielberg's adventure, with Sam Neill, Laura Dern and Jeff Goldblum. ★★★★★ **8.00** British Rally Championship **9.00** English Football League Highlights **10.30** FILM The Silence of the Lambs (1991/18) Thriller, starring Jodie Foster and Anthony Hopkins. ★★★★★ **12.45am** Two and a Half Men **1.40** Minder **2.35-3.00am** Unwind with ITV

REALLY Freeview 17

6.00am Celebrity Fantasy Homes **7.00** Cruise TV with LoveitBookit **8.00** Celebrity Yorkshire Auction House **11.00** The Repair Shop **2.00pm** Antiques Road Trip **5.00** The Derbyshire Auction House **7.00** Antiques Road Trip **9.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **12.00m't** Help! My House Is Haunted **2.00** Teleshopping **4.00-6.00am** Salvage Hunters

Live MNF
Sky Sports Main Event, 7.30pm
Anthony Elanga (left) and Nottingham Forest are chasing a top-four finish after an impressive season. Tonight, they visit the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium to take on Spurs.

SKY ARTS Freeview 36

6.00am Gilbert and Sullivan: A Motley Pair **6.30** Lang Lang: My Favourite Melodies **7.40** The Joy of Painting **8.40** Tales of the Unexpected **9.05** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **10.05** The Art of the Garden **11.00** FILM The Private Life of Sherlock Holmes (1970/PG) Comedy mystery, starring Robert Stephens and Colin Blakely. ★★★★ **1.20pm** FILM Revenge of the Pink Panther (1978/U) Comedy sequel, starring Peter Sellers. ★★★ **3.10** Andre Rieu: Welcome to My World **6.00** FILM The Young Ones (1961/U) Musical, starring Cliff Richard. ★★ **8.00** Cliff Richard and the Shadows: The Final Reunion **10.50** Len Phillips Swing Orchestra's 100 Years of Big Bands **12.10am** Cirque du Soleil: Zaia **1.10** Wuthering Heights **4.00** A Play in a Day **5.00-6.00am** Inside Art

U&GOLD

7.10am Only Fools and Horses **8.20** Keeping Up Appearances **9.00** I Didn't Know You Cared **9.35** Hi-de-Hi! **10.15** Open All Hours **11.00** Last of the Summer Wine **12.15pm** Keeping Up Appearances **12.55** I Didn't Know You Cared **1.35** Dad's Army **2.15** Open All Hours **2.55** Hi-de-Hi! **3.35** Last of the Summer Wine **4.55** I Didn't Know You Cared **5.30** Keeping Up Appearances **6.10** The Vicar of Dibley Easter 1996: The Easter Bunny **7.00** Open All Hours **7.40** Dad's Army **9.00** The Fast Show **9.35** Bottom: Extended Episodes **10.20** Absolutely Fabulous **11.00** dinnerladies **11.40** Miranda **12.20am** The Good Life **1.40** dinnerladies **3.00** Miranda **3.30-4.00am** The Fosters

U&YESTERDAY Freeview 27

6.10am Great Continental Railway Journeys **8.00** Bangers & Cash **10.00** The Warship: Tour of Duty **11.00** The World at War **12.00noon** Antiques Roadshow **2.00** Bangers & Cash **4.00** The Warship: Tour of Duty **5.00** The World at War **6.00** Antiques Roadshow **7.00** Masters of Reinvention **8.00** Greece with Simon Reeve **9.00** Bangers & Cash **12.00m't** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **1.00-3.00am** Abandoned Engineering

U&ALIBI

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** Father Brown **10.00** Death in Paradise **12.40pm** Father Brown **3.40** Death in Paradise **10.20** Father Brown. Double bill. A killer strikes at a finishing school; Mallory and Father Brown go missing. **12.20am** Death in Paradise **1.40-4.00am** Murdoch Mysteries

SKY MAX

6.00am Bondi Rescue **7.00** Highway Patrol **9.00** David Blaine: Real or Magic? **10.00** David Blaine: Beyond Magic **11.00** From **4.00pm** A League of Their Own: The Rally **7.00** Sport's Funniest Moments. Comical moments from the sporting world. **9.00** Friends: The Reunion. One-off special in which the show's stars reminisce about the comedy. **11.00** Hacks **11.30** Poker Face **12.30am** The Force: Manchester **1.30** Road Wars **2.00** NEW Joe Lycett's United States of Birmingham. The comic visits cities with the same name as his home town, starting in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. **3.00** Road Wars **5.00-6.00am** Highway Patrol

SKY ATLANTIC

6.00am The Guest Wing **6.50** Game of Thrones **11.00** The White Lotus. All eight episodes of the third series back-to-back. **9.00pm** The Last of Us. Post-apocalyptic drama, starring Pedro Pascal and Bella Ramsey. **10.10** The Penguin **11.15** Homicide: Life on the Street **12.20am** The Gilded Age **2.30** The Leftovers **3.40** Game of Thrones **4.50-6.00am** The Guest Wing

SKY WITNESS

6.00am Sun, Sea and A&E **8.00** Border Patrol **9.00** Bondi Rescue **11.00** Caught Red Handed **1.00pm** Nothing to Declare **4.00** Caught on Dashcam **9.00** Blue Bloods **10.00** Law & Order: Organized Crime **11.00** The Rookie **12.00m't** FBI **1.00** FBI: Most Wanted **2.00** Matlock **3.00** The Good Doctor **4.00** Highway Patrol **5.00-6.00am** Road Wars

SKY COMEDY

8.00am The Office (US) **2.05pm** Sex and the City **9.00** Micky Flanagan: If Ever We Needed It. A stand-up show by the comedian, who discusses life since turning 60 and growing older, and reflects on the changes in the world around him. **10.15** Real Time with Bill Maher **11.25** Tom Davis: Underdog **12.40am** Veep **2.00** Silicon Valley **3.50** Veep **4.25-5.00am** Room 104

DISCOVERY

6.00am How It's Made **7.00** Alaskan Bush People **9.00** Goblin Works Garage **10.00** Last Chance Garage **11.00** Wheeler Dealers: Dream Car **1.00pm** Alaska: Homestead Rescue **3.00** Gold Rush **5.00** Deadliest Catch **6.00** Wheeler Dealers: Dream Car **7.00** Junkyard Empire **8.00** Hoffman Family Gold **9.00** Mega Shippers **10.00** Alaska Mega Machines **11.00** Mystery at Blind Frog Ranch **12.00m't** Mountain Monsters **1.00** Mega Shippers **2.00** Alaska Mega Machines **3.00** Texas Metal **4.00-5.00am** Moonshiners

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

8.00am Colossal Machines **10.00** Car S.O.S **1.00pm** Europe from Above **2.00** Secret Lives of the Apostles **3.00** The Jesus Mysteries **5.00** Secrets of Christ's Tomb **6.00** Bloody Tales of the Tower **9.00** Elizabeth I: The Secret Life **10.00** To Catch a Smuggler: Tropical Takedown **11.00** Air Crash Investigation **12.00m't** Border Protection Spain **1.00** Ancient X Files **2.00** Money Meltdown **2.30** Abandoned **3.20** Food Factory USA **4.10-5.00am** Secrets of the Zoo: Keeper Tales

Radio

BBC RADIO 1

97.6-99.8MHz 6.00am Radio 1 Anthems **10.00** Radio 1 Anthems **2.00pm** Radio 1 Anthems **6.00** Radio 1's Future Artists with Sian Eleri **8.00** Radio 1's Big Weekend-Live Sets **8.40** Radio 1's Big Weekend-Live Sets **9.20** Radio 1's Big Weekend-Live Sets **10.00** Radio 1's Power Down Playlist with Sian Eleri **11.00** Rock Show with Daniel P Carter **1.00am** BBC Introducing Rock on Radio 1 with Alyx Holcombe **2.00** Radio 1 Anthems **4.00** Radio 1 Pop Anthems **5.00-6.58am** Radio 1 Early Breakfast

BBC RADIO 2

88-91MHz 6.30am The OJ Borg Breakfast Show **9.30** Gary Davies **12.00noon** Tony Blackburn's Sounds of Soul. Tony shares his love of soul music. **2.00** Mark Goodier's Most Played – The Billion Streamers **4.00** Richie Anderson **6.30** Richie Anderson's Half Wower **7.00** Radio 2's Piano Room: Chill **9.00** The Blues Show with Cerys Matthews **10.00** The Good Groove with DJ Spoony **12.00m't** Phil Williams **2.30** TBA **3.00** Dance Sounds of the 90s with Vernon Kay **4.00-6.30am** Owain Wyn Evans

BBC RADIO 3

90.2-92.4MHz 6.30am Breakfast **9.30** Record Review. A special Record Review day begins. **1.00pm** Record Review **4.00** Record Review **7.30** Radio 3 in Concert **9.45** The Essay: Erland Cooper's Mythic Mountains **10.00** Night Tracks **11.30** 'Round Midnight **12.30-6.30am** Through the Night

CHOICE
Like And Subscribe: How YouTube Changed The World
Monday-Friday, Radio 4, 1.45pm
Sophia Smith Galer examines the global impact of the US-owned social media and online video sharing platform. She begins by speaking to one of the founders, and discovers how a viral video that nearly doomed the company became its breakthrough moment.

BBC RADIO 4

FM 92.4-94.6MHz 6.00am Today **9.00** Start the Week **9.45** Cafe Hope **10.00** Woman's Hour **11.00** Behind the Crime **11.45** Conflict and Co-operation: A History of Trade **12.00noon** News **12.04** You and Yours **1.00** The World at One **1.45** Like and Subscribe: How YouTube Changed the World **2.00** The Archers **2.15** Conversations from a Long Marriage **2.45** Miss Buncle's Book **3.00** Great Lives **3.30** Curious Cases **4.00** Of Budgets and Bond Markets **4.30** Soul Music **5.00** PM **6.00** News **6.30** The Unbelievable Truth **7.00** The Archers **7.15** Front Row **8.00** The Briefing Room **8.30** BBC Inside Science **9.00** Start the Week **9.45** Cafe Hope **10.00** The World Tonight **10.45** Book at Bedtime: One Came Back **11.00** Nuremberg **11.30** Bellboy **12.00m't** News **12.30** Conflict and Co-operation: A History of Trade **12.48** Shipping Forecast **1.00** As BBC World Service **5.00** News **5.04** Of Budgets and Bond Markets **5.34** Shipping Forecast **5.43** Prayer for the Day **5.45-6.00am** Farming Today

BBC RADIO 5 LIVE

693/909kHz 6.00am 5 Live Breakfast **9.00** Nicky Campbell **11.00** Naga Munchetty **2.00pm** Match of the Day: Top 10 **2.30** 5 Live Sport **5.15** 5 Live Drive **7.00** 5 Live Sport **10.00** Johnny I'Anson **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo **5.00-6.00am** Wake Up to Money

BBC RADIO WALES

FM: 94.6MHz 6.00am Wake Up **6.31** Arts Show **7.00** Breakfast **9.00** Lucy Owen **12.00noon** Derek & Sue's Spring Soundtrack **2.00** Sport **5.30** Radio Wales Drive **6.30** How Emily **7.00** Huw Stephens **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 Tim Lihoreau **9.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame 2025 with Zeb Soanes **12.00noon** The Classic FM Hall of Fame 2025 with Anne-Marie Minhall **3.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame 2025 with Margherita Taylor **6.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame 2025 with Dan Walker **9.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame Celebration **10.00** Calm Classics **1.00am** Bill Overton **4.00-6.30am** Early Breakfast

ABSOLUTE RADIO

DAB 6.00am Ben Burrell **9.00** Andy Bush's All Day Indie Disco **7.00pm** Danielle Perry **10.00** Sophie K **1.00-6.00am** Dan Noble

Movies

FILM4

11.00am Dragonball Evolution (2009/PG) Fantasy adventure, with Justin Chatwin. ★★
12.40pm Evolution (2001/PG) Sci-fi comedy, starring David Duchovny. ★★★
2.50 The Great Escape (1963/PG) Second World War drama, starring Steve McQueen and Richard Attenborough. ★★★★★
6.25 Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (1989/PG) Action adventure sequel, starring Harrison Ford and Sean Connery. ★★★★
9.00 Honest Thief (2020/15) Crime thriller, starring Liam Neeson and Kate Walsh. ★★★
11.05 Den of Thieves (2018/15) Crime thriller, with Gerard Butler and Jordan Bridges. ★★★
1.50-3.50am Gagarine (2020/12) Drama, with Alseni Bathily and Lyna Khoudri. ★★★★

SKY CINEMA PREMIERE

6.00am Cuckoo (2024/15) See 2.25am. ★★★
8.20 My Penguin Friend (2024/PG) Drama, with Jean Reno and Adriana Barraza. ★★★
10.00 Despicable Me 4 (2024/U) Animated sequel, with the voice of Steve Carell. ★★★
11.50 Twisters (2024/12) See 8.00pm. ★★★
2.05pm Touch (2024/15) Romantic drama, starring Egill Olafsson and Koki. ★★★★
4.15 Transformers One (2024/PG) Animated sci-fi adventure, with the voices of Chris Hemsworth and Brian Tyree Henry. ★★★
6.15 The Parenting (2024/15) Horror comedy, starring Brandon Flynn and Nik Dodani. ★★★
8.00 Twisters (2024/12) A meteorologist crosses paths with a storm-chasing social media star in Oklahoma. Disaster sequel, with Daisy Edgar-Jones and Glen Powell. ★★★
10.10 Smile 2 (2024/18) Horror sequel, starring Naomi Scott and Rosemarie DeWitt. ★★★
12.30am Greedy People (2024/15) Comedy, starring Himesh Patel and Lily James. ★★★
2.25 Cuckoo (2024/15) Horror thriller, starring Hunter Schafer and Jan Bluthardt. ★★★
4.15-6.00am I'll Be Right There (2023/12) Comedy, starring Edie Falco. ★★★★★

SKY CINEMA DRAMA

4.10pm Field of Dreams (1989/PG) Fantasy, with Kevin Costner and Ray Liotta. ★★★★
6.10 The Great Escaper (2023/12) Drama, with Michael Caine and Glenda Jackson. ★★★★
8.00 Dunkirk (2017/12) Allied soldiers surrounded by the German army wait for evacuation during the Second World War. Christopher Nolan's drama, starring Fionn Whitehead and Tom Hardy. ★★★★
10.00 Birdy (1984/15) Drama, with Matthew Modine and Nicolas Cage. ★★★★
12.10am Breakfast at Tiffany's (1961/PG) Romantic comedy drama, starring Audrey Hepburn and George Peppard. ★★★★★
2.15 The Integrity Of Joseph Chambers (2022/15) With Clayne Crawford. ★★★
4.05-6.05am Whiplash (2014/15) Drama, with Miles Teller and JK Simmons. ★★★★★

SKY CINEMA HARRY POTTER

4.20pm Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (2016/12) See 8.55pm. ★★★
6.35 Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald (2018/12) Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Eddie Redmayne. ★★★★
8.55 Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (2016/12) Harry Potter prequel, with Eddie Redmayne and Colin Farrell. ★★★
11.10 Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald (2018/12) See 6.35pm. ★★★★
1.35am The Adventures of Sharkboy and Lavagirl in 3-D (2005/U) Children's fantasy adventure, starring Taylor Lautner. ★★
3.25 Harriet the Spy (1996/PG) Family comedy, with Michelle Trachtenberg. ★★★
5.10-6.00am Sky Cinema Preview-April 2025

TALKING PICTURES TV

4.55pm Scotland Yard Police drama.
5.30 Dixon of Dock Green Police drama.
6.30 Out of Town The Appleby horse fair.
7.00 The Footage Detectives Footage of Soho in the 1950s and bin men in the 1940s.
8.00 Public Eye Frank has to look after a cat.
9.05 Accident (1967/PG) Drama, starring Dirk Bogarde and Jacqueline Sassard. ★★★★★
11.10 The Snows of Kilimanjaro (1952/PG) Romantic adventure, starring Gregory Peck, Ava Gardner and Susan Hayward. ★★★
1.25am Ramrod (1947/U) Western, with Joel McCrea and Veronica Lake. ★★★
3.15 The Hand (1960/PG) Crime thriller, with Derek Bond and Reed De Rouen. ★★★
4.30-5.30am Beyond the Truth Asteroids.

GREAT! MOVIES

4.15pm Phenomenon (1996/PG) Fantasy drama, starring John Travolta. ★★★
6.50 Six Days Seven Nights (1998/12) Romantic adventure, starring Harrison Ford, David Schwimmer and Anne Heche. ★★★
9.00 Snatch (2000/18) Comedy drama, with Jason Statham and Brad Pitt. ★★★
11.20pm 16 Blocks (2006/12) Police thriller, starring Bruce Willis and Mos Def. ★★★
1.35am The Recall (2017/15) Sci-fi thriller, starring Wesley Snipes and RJ Mitte. ★★★
4.00-6.00am Shattered Memories (2018/PG) Thriller, starring Elizabeth Bogush. ★★

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My girl wants paying

ANY time I want sex, my girlfriend takes £20 out of my wallet.

If I fancy something kinky, it's £35.

She and I have never discussed the fact that she charges me for passion, but it's become an unspoken arrangement.

Why should I have to shell out for action with my own girl?

She works as a hairdresser but is terrible with money.

She's a spendaholic – she buys any old crap – and is always overdrawn.

At the moment she's on at me to propose.

She's picked out a ring she likes and is talking about wedding and honeymoons.

But how can I commit to her when she views me as a human cash machine?

JANE SAYS: You can't allow your girl to treat you so disrespectfully.

We all experience times when it's a struggle to balance the books but expecting you to pay for sex is not on.

Talk to her today and make it clear that you both need to rethink this arrangement.

Sadly, if she can't see that she's being inappropriate, then I don't see how the two of you can carry on. This isn't funny or cheeky it's degrading and offensive.

Partner treats me like a sex lap dog

I AM NO LONGER EQUAL

MY girl likes to play power games.

Recently she held an intimate party. She made me have sex with one of her friends in front of eight others.

The friend was fired up and horny after a painful break up.

My girl stormed that I would "spoil the party" if I didn't step up and service her. I didn't feel like putting on a public display of lust but felt obliged to.

I knew that I'd never hear the end of it if I refused. Later she rewarded me with a pat on the head – I felt like a lap dog.

In the 18 months we've been together I've come to realise that she is not someone I can reason with. It's her way or the highway.

Her exec job is very stressful. She storms in each night on a huge high. She demands food, drink and unlimited lust.

We hit the sack, and I'm expected to do anything she wants.

Sex toys? Bondage? They're nothing special to her.

She expects thrills, kicks and surprises all the time.

At weekends she invites like-minded friends over for threesomes and sex parties.

The problem with our situation is that it's all one-sided. She in charge and is becoming ever more demanding and bossier with age. It doesn't help that she is over-promoted and feared within her job too. I increasingly feel like one of her quivering employees. She doesn't treat me as her equal anymore and that's demoralising and tough.

How have I ended up like this? I used to be confident and strong.

Now I hate myself and feel ridiculous and trapped.

Picture posed by model

DEMANDS: He was made to romp with one of her friends – while others watched

JANE SAYS: Your partner needs to hear that you're deeply unhappy living this vacuous life. Everything has become too hard core and too extreme and you hardly know who you are anymore.

From the sexual demands to the weekend orgies, she seems to have forgotten you have needs and feelings too.

Insist on a serious chat so she finally gets to hear that you're running on empty.

What does she think she's playing at? Make it clear that the performance with her friend was both humiliating and a final straw as far as you're concerned.

Didn't it bother her that she objectified and used you? Couldn't she tell that you were deeply embarrassed and uncomfortable?

Don't allow her to accuse you of having a sense of humour failure or being stuck in the mud.

Stand your ground and insist on substantial changes from today. If she's not with you, do you need to think about going it alone?

Breaking up is always tough. Finding a new place to live and re-establishing yourself as a single man will be a challenge but what is the alternative? That you carry on being her lap dog forever?

As for her, maybe you need to suggest that she calms down and takes a reality check before she risks burn out.

Envious of pal's lush life

MY oldest friend has got it all. Great looks, a rich boyfriend and a fantastic job.

I can't help resenting her good fortune. Everything goes right for her.

She puts money on a horse, and it wins.

They go on holiday and have the time of their lives. They never stop updating and decorating their (amazing) home and never have problems with builders, cars or bills.

Recently she got a massive pay rise and bonus. My life is one long slog in comparison. When is it going to be my turn to boast?

JANE SAYS: There's no way of knowing what really goes on behind closed doors.

It's difficult mixing with friends and relatives who appear to have it all, but I suspect your friend has plenty of problems of her own.

It may sound harsh to suggest you count your blessings but what can you do to improve your lot? What personal challenges can you set yourself? Be proactive and vow to make things happen for you. Do you need to retrain? If there are people or bad habits that need to be culled, then don't be too scared to take control.

JANE'S FAB ADVICE LINES

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WRITE to Just Jane, Daily Star, One Canada Square, London E14 5AP or email jane.o'gorman@dailystar.co.uk

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His clobber is beyond a joke

MY partner is a fashion victim. He dresses like a grungy teen in baggy jeans, bucket hat and logo hoodies.

He looks ridiculous. My friends all laugh at him. I tell him to dress his age (38), and he tells me to jog on. How do I get him to turn out like the accountant he is?

JANE SAYS: Your partner isn't hurting anyone with his unique style. If he's not bothered by strangers taking a second look, then you have no choice but to accept him for the unique spirit he is.

However, if he genuinely embarrasses you, then do you need someone more on your wavelength? Remember that none of us perfect are perfect. Don't throw away a good thing because of others.

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PHOTO CASEBOOK

IS HE THE ONE FOR ME?

DAY 1

CONTINUES TOMORROW

RUSSELL GRANT

DON'T MISS RUSSELL EVERY DAY IN THE DAILY STAR

ARIES
March 21 to April 20

YOU have an opportunity to boost your earnings by taking on a more responsible position and it is clear what your choice will be. You may not have intended to step into a leadership role but if this is what you are being asked to do, take this chance.

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

TAURUS
April 21 to May 21

ONE way to improve your relationships and your understanding of others is to be more transparent yourself. Over the days ahead make it your aim to share your thoughts and feelings openly. You could be pleasantly surprised.

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GEMINI
May 22 to June 21

THERE will be no shortage of opportunities for you to improve your life over the month ahead. Even so, it may take some thoughtful consideration to decide on which path is the best fit for you. There is a chance for a wish to come true.

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CANCER
June 22 to July 23

YOUR career and various other responsibilities will be keeping you busy. But it seems as if your hard work is being overlooked or people are placing excessive demands on you without fully understanding your situation.

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LEO
July 24 to August 23

WHEN considering the week ahead you will need to approach important dealings with a clear mind. Try not to let your emotions rule your head. Consider the advantages and disadvantages of each situation. Choose the option that makes sense.

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VIRGO
August 24 to September 23

YOU will be putting in a lot of effort to keep on top of everyday responsibilities. Finding time to relax will be a challenge. As a result, you might start feeling emotionally drained. For that reason, don't take on anything more.

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LIBRA
September 24 to October 23

BEING creative brings out the best in you. Don't keep putting your dreams on hold because of financial obligations. If you have a passion for writing, poetry or art, find a way to adjust your schedule so you can pursue your hobby.

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SCORPIO
October 24 to November 22

DESPITE a housemate expecting to hear your views on a domestic matter, your home life is not your main focus. You will deal with this another time. In the workplace, this will be a good time to request favours or to make enquiries about a promotion.

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SAGITTARIUS
November 23 to December 21

YOU'RE looking for ways to balance your home and work obligations more effectively. You will admit that your career and personal responsibilities are clashing. A partner will be happy to hear you agree this state of affairs cannot go on any longer.

Call one of my dedicated astrologers on **0905 789 3809****

CAPRICORN
December 22 to January 20

A MORNING meeting, test or interview will have you feeling slightly nervous but once it is over, you might wonder why you allowed yourself to get so worried. All will go well for you but not everyone will share your relief.

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AQUARIUS
January 21 to February 19

A PERSONAL project will come to a standstill. This is going to feel frustrating but the answer could become clear when you review your recent work and notice you have cut a few too many corners.

Call one of my dedicated astrologers on **0905 789 3811****

PISCES
February 20 to March 20

YOU might feel discouraged or distracted if your family or friends don't instantly share your excitement about some personal plans. If you're looking for support or help, remember that patience can lead to success.

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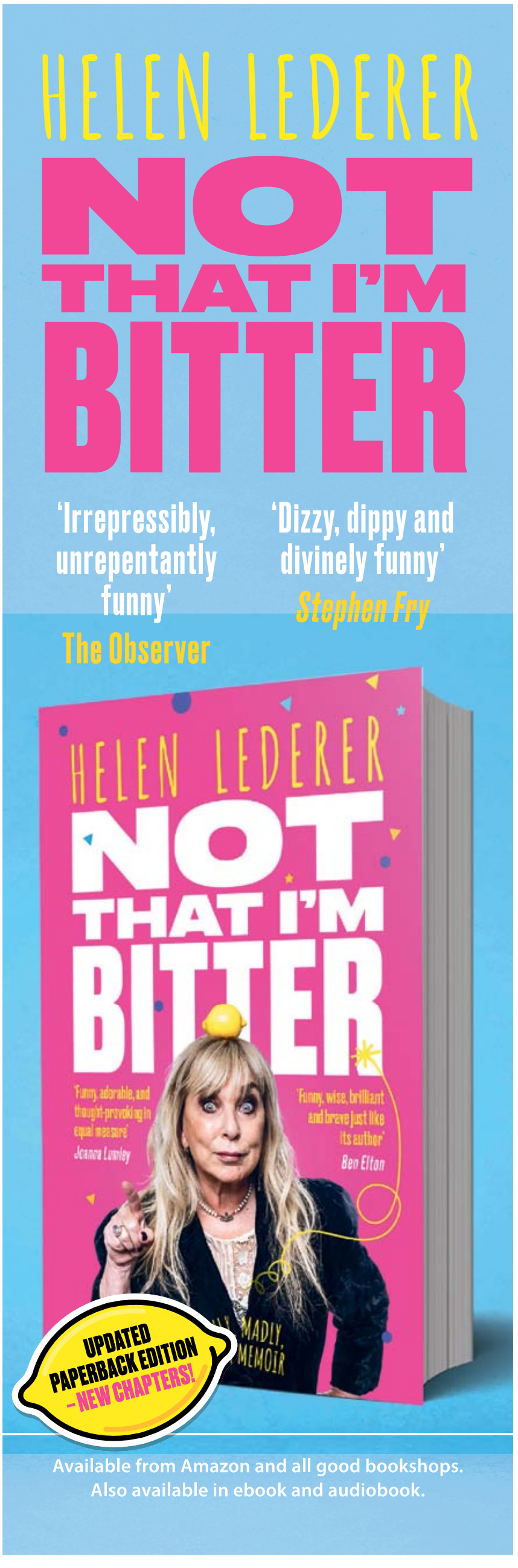

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EACH grid number in Alphapuzzle® stands for a letter. Every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter or letters – below the main grid – to start. Solution tomorrow.
Difficulty: 7/10 **Target Time:** 22 minutes
Clue: Man I bet about in the background.

EXTRA LETTER CLUES:
0905 817 2648*

Hear up to six Extra Letters. Deduct two minutes from today's Target Time for each clue letter heard.
Full Solution: 0907 181 2594*
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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION
Across: Reason, Bishop, Forward, Stone (clue), Cent, Belly, Angst, Quad, Earth, Turmoil, Canvas, Remiss.
Down: Orifice, Bench, Jarring, Crank, Topaz, Anthrax, Adversity, Firstly, Greet, Shook, Bucolic, Spree, Idolise.

ARROWORD

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The arrows show the direction in which the answer to each clue should be placed.

Prediction based on star sign		Woodwork		More secure		Fatal		Primates		Pause		Valley
Former US president, Barack _						Person with no parents						
Cadaver		Regret		Coniferous tree				Electric _, type of fish				Worry
						Chucks						
Take to court				Type of bag		Fish		Vocal range	Group		Level	
					Rattle							
Smell		Roman robe					Exit					
					Turns							
Gush		Sharp cry					Harbingers					

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FILL the grid so that every column, row and 3x3 square includes all the digits from 1 to 9.

LEVEL: Difficult, 26 Mins

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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1	6	8	9	2	7	5	4	3
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Extra clues: 0901 322 5606 *Calls cost 75p plus your telephone company's network access charge.
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SATURDAY'S SOLUTION

PUB QUIZ

1. C: 76; 2. B: 46; 3. B: Seven; 4. Trick question!!!!! Andrew Gold and Graham Gouldman recorded together as Wax; 5. C: Canada; 6. A: 1965: 7. B: French; 8. B: Frankie Howerd; 9. C: Tomato purée; 10. C: Stone Fox Chase by Area Code 615; 11. A: On the feet; 12. C: Netherlands; 13. A: 20m; 14. A: Sweden; 15. B: Teenage Warning; 16. A: 75; 17. B: England and India; 18. A: 1969; 19. B: Roger Tonge; 20. A: Overtime pay.

TWO-WAY TEASER

CALL 0907 181 2623 FOR TODAY'S SOLUTION
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TWO sets of clues but the answers are the same...

CRYPTIC CLUES
ACROSS
1 In a practical way, but with feeling? (8)
5 The bighead used to be courageous! (4)
8 Such an attack is not bitter (4)
9 Was he famous for brandy? (8)
10 Old soldiers had to draw it by hand (7)
12 A rich style in furnishing (5)
13 Make a share issue (6)
15 He'll serve you patiently (6)
17 It's sweet, darling (5)
18 Jack's with his friend a good deal (7)
22 One new girl in charge of the fancy decoration (8)
23 Highest part of Gretna Green! (4)
24 The time it takes to finally pay attention? (4)
25 When your ticker's not right, be careful (5,3)

DOWN
1 Tried to get a politician into a vehicle (7)
2 One of a pair only to be found at a certain point (5)
3 Game that meant nothing to Crosby? (5)
4 What a little dog does on disturbing a spy (4)
6 Be too generous with the ham (7)
7 Giver of a bit of money in the outer door (5)
11 Does his friendship grow like a young shoot? (5)
12 Skill in boatbuilding? (5)
14 In a tasteful way, it's all up with Ivan the Terrible! (7)
16 Take back again to a certain part of the country (7)
17 Angry about the loss of a draughtsman? (5)
19 Turn aside at the street on the right (5)
20 A chancy game that can mean money to a German (5)
21 One may worry when it's furrowed (4)

QUICK CLUES
ACROSS
1 Reasonably (8)
5 Courageous (4)
8 Inoffensive (4)
9 "--- Bonaparte" (8)
10 Archery item (7)
12 Seat (5)
13 Split (6)
15 Server at table (6)
17 Sweetness (5)
18 Sailor (7)
22 Delicate ornamentation (8)
23 "Mount ---", volcano (4)
24 Twelve months (4)
25 Be alert (5,3)

DOWN
1 Tasted, tried (7)
2 A stocking (5)
3 Housey-housey (5)
4 Sharp barks (4)
6 "Ham it up" (7)
7 Giver (5)
11 Chum (5)
12 Skill (5)
14 Ice-cream flavour (7)
16 Withdraw (7)
17 Vexed (5)
19 Avoid (5)
20 Game of chance (5)
21 Forehead (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION:
ACROSS: 1 Sister, 4 Willow, 7 Adam, 8 Gigantic, 9 Distant, 12 Age, 14 Amount, 15 Mutter, 16 Kin, 18 Wrapper, 22 Clarinet, 23 Sari, 24 Brolly, 25 Orchid.
DOWN: 1 Small talk, 2 Stand down, 3 Right, 4 Wigan, 5 Long, 6 Owing, 10 Sinew, 11 Thump, 12 Aftermath, 13 Early bird, 17 Idler, 19 Rangy, 20 Patio, 21 Oral.

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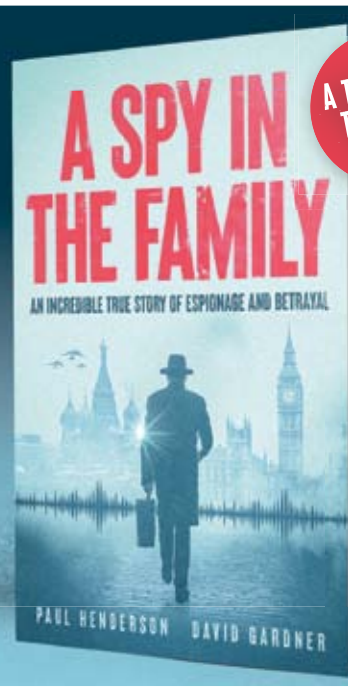

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JASON HEAVEY		STAR TIP
Pragnell	1.49	Deep Purple
Zaochen Enki	2.24	Zaochen Enki
Sao Carlos	2.59	Ideallko
Saint Segal	3.34	Bourbali
Another Fine Mess	4.07	Let Me Go Boys
Elfride	4.44	Ri Na Cuirte
Old Park Star	5.19	Sinchi Roca
Limerick Lass	5.55	Zamek

1.49 TIP TOP THUNDER THRONE MAIDEN HURDLE
C4 (11 flights) *3m (7 runners) £4,248*

1 -213 **DEEP PURPLE (165)(G,S)** D Skelton 6 11 8 ..... **C J Todd 107**
2 22-L **GAELIC RAMBLER (36)(T)** J & A O'Neill 5 11 8 ..... **Jonjo O'Neill Jr ★118**
3 -444 **GASMANI (161)(S)** David Dennis 6 11 8 ..... **R Patrick 110**
4 **GLANCE OF GLORY** M Keighley 5 11 8 ..... **Mr Daire McConville (7) –**
5 1-24 **JAKAR DU MOULIN (123)(T*)** P Nicholls 6 11 8 ..... **F Gingell 112**
6 1/42 **PRAGNELL (58)(S)** C Longsdon 6 11 8 ..... **D Bass 116**
7 100L **STEAL THE MOVES (54)(G)** Mrs E Bishop 5 11 8 ..... **J Best 73**

Star Betting: 9-4 Pragnell, 5-2 Gaelic Rambler, 7-2 Jakar Du Moulin, 4 Deep Purple, 10 Gasmani, 33 others.
2024: Magical Escape 6 11 8, C Gethings 4-1 (K Bailey & M Nicholls), 6 ran.
STARFORM: GAELIC RAMBLER DANGER: Pragnell

2.24 TIP TOP DUEL FLUSH NOVICES' HURDLE
C4 (7 flights) *2m (10 runners) £4,248*

1 6142 **INSIDE MAN (19)(D,G,S)** Mrs J Williams 5 12 0 ..... **D Noonan ★115**
2 5151 **SAGE GREEN (43)(D,G)(H)** Anthony Charlton 5 11 9 **C Pritchard (5) 109**
3 45P4 **BLACKIJO DAGROSTIS (23)(T)** M Sheppard 6 11 2 ..... **S Sheppard 100**
4 06 **CUILLIN RIDGE (63)** H Daly 5 11 2 ..... **D Bass –**
5 F **IFAN FULL PELT (15)** Mrs N Evans 5 11 2 ..... **B Poste –**
6 405L **PORTCAMMON (139)** N Mulholland 6 11 2 ..... **Harriet Tucker (7) 109**
7 21 **ZAOCHEN ENKI (28)(G)(H)** P Nicholls 4 11 1 ..... **F Gingell 112**
8 4 **GOLDEN ECHO (77)** A Honeyball 5 10 9 ..... **B Godfrey 98**
9 **ANOTHER LIFETIME (F114)** N Mulholland 4 10 8 ..... **R McLernon –**
10 30 **CONNIEMAK (42)** T Vaughan 4 10 2 ..... **C Brace 99**

Star Betting: 11-8 Zaochen Enki, 3 Inside Man, 6 Golden Echo, 8 Sage Green, 10 Another Lifetime, 14 Portcammon, 16 others.
2024: Phantomofthepoints 6 11 2, Jack Tudor 15-8 (D Pipe), 7 ran.
STARFORM: INSIDE MAN DANGER: Zaochen Enki

2.59 TIP TOP RIDERS RESTROOM H'CAP CHASE
C4 (12 fences) *2m (7 runners) £6,337*

1 /2-P **ROUGE VIF (347)(D2,G,S)(T)** A Hales 11 12 0 ..... **B Carver –**
2 5014 **ALTO ALTO (46)(G,S)(V)** C Gordon 8 11 13 ..... **H Reed 118**
3 L2L5 **EL MUCHACHO (139)(G,S)(T)** O Murphy 8 11 13 ..... **C Brace 80**
4 P445 **DOYOUKNOWWHATIMEAN (46)(D,S)** D Skelton 8 11 9 ..... **C J Todd 113**
5 533U **SAO CARLOS (36)(S)(T)** O Murphy 7 11 8 ..... **J Bowen –**
6 L32L **GOWER PRINCE (275)(D,G)(H)** M Sheppard 7 11 3 ..... **S Sheppard ★125**
7 1122 **IDEALLKO (36)(D2,S)** E Williams 7 10 9 ..... **A Wedge 119**

Star Betting: 3 Sao Carlos, 9-2 Ideallko, El Muchacho, 5 Alto Alto, 11-2 Doyouknowwhatimean, 13-2 Rouge Vif, 12 Gower Prince.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: IDEALLKO DANGER: San Carlos

GOING: GOOD

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

3.34 TIP TOP CLEAN CONVENIENCE H'CAP CHASE
C2 (16 fences) *2m 3f (9 runners) £13,008*

1 1233 **SAINT SEGAL (30)(BF,C,S)(T)** Mrs J Williams 7 12 0 ..... **D Noonan 141**
2 3L11 **WESTERN GENERAL (44)(G,S)(T)** J Tizzard 7 11 13 ..... **J Tudor 137**
3 L2P6 **JETOILE (17)(CD2,S)(P,T)** R Potter 10 11 12 ..... **D Johnston (3) 141**
4 PLP3 **LIGHT N STRIKE (22)(D,G)** E Lavelle 9 11 10 ..... **B R Jones 140**
5 LLLP **PAINT THE DREAM (51)(CD,G,S)(T)** D Brace 11 11 7 ..... **C Brace 124**
6 -P14 **REAL STONE (51)(D,G,S)(T)** D Skelton 10 11 6 ..... **C J Todd 142**
7 3334 **BOURBALI (37)(G,S)** J Tizzard 8 11 4 ..... **F Gingell 143**
8 2244 **BEAU BALKO (30)(G,S)** P Nicholls 7 11 2 ..... **B Bromley (5) ★145**
9 4UP2 **SAGEBURG COUNTY (37)(CD,G,S)(T)** W Greatrex 8 10 10 **J Bowen 141**

Star Betting: 9-4 Western General, 9-2 Saint Segal, 6 Sageburg County, 7 Bourbali, 8 Real Stone, Beau Balko, 10 Light N Strike, 12 Jetoile, 25 Paint The Dream.
2024: No corresponding race.

STARFORM **WESTERN GENERAL** 16-5 (11-12) Held up to race in third behind clear leaders, headway to go second before 3 out, travelling smoothly when led after 2 out, went clear after last, unchallenged home straight, eased towards finish, readily, won at Hereford 2m hcp chs 0-140 (3) gd in Mar beating Famoso (10-7) by 22l, 5 ran.

Real Stone 10-3 (12-0) Led, pushed along and headed before last, ridden and no extra flat, 4th of 6, 6l behind Gallic Geordie (10-0) at Kelso 2m 1f hcp chs 0-135 (3) gs in Mar.

Saint Segal 11-4fav (11-8) Led, mistake 12th, headed last, lost 2nd flat, one pace, 3rd of 9, 4 1/2l behind Bhaloo (10-13) at Newbury 2m 4f hcp chs 0-145 (2) gd in Mar.

Sageburg County 15-2 (11-12) Wore red hood to post, prominent, led 2 out and pushed along, soon challenged, ridden before last, kept on, headed closing stages run-in, 2nd of 6, 3/4l behind Intimate (11-7) at Uttoxeter 2m 4f hcp chs 0-120 (4) gs in Mar.

STARFORM: WESTERN GENERAL DANGER: Real Stone

4.07 TIP TOP LAVISH LATRINE HANDICAP HURDLE
C4 (9 flights) *2m 3f 100yds (12 run) £5,809*

1 10PL **BERTIE B (23)(G,S)(P)** C Boultbee-Brooks 7 12 0 ..... **R Patrick 115**
2 32P0 **GETAWAY DRUMLEE (23)(G,S)** B Pauling 9 11 12 ..... **B R Jones 90**
3 -5PP **GEEZER ROCKSTAR (112)(D,G,S)(T)** H Fry 6 11 12 ..... **B Carver 109**
4 2141 **NEW FOUND FAME (73)(S)(P)** Kerry Lee 9 11 8 ..... **L Harrison 114**
5 22L5 **COME ON NIA (30)(G,S)** Andrew Martin 6 11 5 ... **Shane Quinlan (3) 117**
6 54-1 **EL CURAMACH (345)(G)(T)** R Potter 7 11 4 ..... **D Johnston (3) 114**
7 -044 **LET ME GO BOYS (132)(T)** J & A O'Neill 5 11 4 ..... **Jonjo O'Neill Jr 109**
8 -4F1 **ANOTHER FINE MESS (59)(S)(H)** J Scott 6 11 4 ..... **D Noonan 113**
9 0136 **THE GREY MAN (43)(S)** H Dickin 6 11 3 ..... **B Poste 116**
10 U4L3 **SPEIRIUIL (30)(D,S)** N Hawke 5 11 2 ..... **L Murtagh ★118**
11 542 **THE MAGUS (44)** E Williams 5 10 13 ..... **C Ring 112**
12 146 **SEE THE GREEN (F51)(G)(P*)** Anthony Charlton 4 10 8 ... **C Pritchard (5) 113**

Star Betting: 5 New Found Fame, 11-2 El Curamach, 6 Another Fine Mess, 13-2 Come On Nia, 7 Let Me Go Boys, 10 others.
2024: Il Va De Soi 6 11 5, Alice Stevens(5) 11-10 Fav (Harry Derham), 11 ran.
STARFORM: NEW FOUND FAME DANGER: El Curamach

4.44 TIP TOP SENSATIONAL SHOWER H'CAP HURDLE
C5 (11 flights) *3m (16 runners) £3,697*

1 5L01 **IMPECUNIOUS (16)(C,G)** C Down 6 12 0 ..... **C Pritchard (5) 104**
2 3L02 **RI NA CUIRTE (32)(G)(P)** Ben Clarke 7 12 0 ..... **B R Jones 101**
3 -0L6 **HAWK STONE (53)(S)** H Dickin 6 12 0 ..... **J Best 87**
4 00L5 **LOUGH OWEL (12)(S)(T*)** D Summersby 7 11 10 ..... **B Carver 89**
5 P0LP **MATTIE ROSS (27)(G,S)(P*)** R Phillips 9 11 8 ..... **D Bass 86**
6 54L5 **MY LOUISE (23)(A,G)** Mrs L Richards 7 11 4 ..... **M Goldstein 101**
7 1344 **LIGHTONTHEWING (2)(CD,G,S)** Mrs S Gardner 10 11 4 **Lucy Gardner 100**
8 6446 **TOM TAGGLE (53)** E Williams 5 10 10 ..... **A Wedge 90**
9 -045 **QUITE THE GETAWAY (42)** R Bevis 7 10 9 ..... **F Lambert (3) 97**
10 6545 **PENTHOUSE POPPET (23)** M Sheppard 8 10 8 ..... **S Sheppard 88**
11 3PL0 **FANTOMAS (59)(G,S)(T*,V)** N Twiston-Davies 9 10 7 ..... **J Turner (5) ★105**
12 2303 **GORCOMBE MOONSHINE (18)(S)(P)** R Walford 8 10 4 ..... **H Kimber 102**
13 16LF **WATCHOUTITSCOOKIE (37)(S)(P*)** N Hawke 7 10 3 ..... **L Murtagh –**
14 -PPP **DOM BOSCO (111)(P)** T R George 8 10 3 ..... **Sean Houlihan –**
15 3L03 **SAWPIT SAMANTHA (27)(H,T)** Miss J Davis 7 10 2 .. **Tabitha Worsley (3) 100**
16 04P6 **ELFRIDE (59)(S)(T)** R Phillips 9 10 2 ..... **H Bannister 95**

LONG HANDICAP: Sawpit Samantha 10-1, Elfride 10-0.
Star Betting: 3 Impecunious, 4 Ri Na Cuirte, 8 Gorcombe Moonshine, 10 Sawpit Samantha, My Louise, 14 others.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: IMPECUNIOUS DGR: Gorcombe Moonshine

5.19 TIP TOP PORTABLE OPEN NH FLAT (DIV 1)
Class 5 2m (10 runners) £2,451

1 11 **SINCHI ROCA (53)(D,S)** Anthony Charlton 5 11 10 .... **C Pritchard (5) 106**
2 **KISS GOLD** P Hobbs & J White 5 11 3 ..... **Sean Houlihan –**
3 32 **OLD PARK STAR (73)** P Nicholls 5 11 3 ..... **F Gingell ★113**
4 **PINK PONY CLUB** J Scott 5 11 3 ..... **L Williams –**
5 1 **ROMANY KING (141)** C Longsdon 6 11 3 ..... **D Bass –**
6 0 **GONE GIRL (72)** O Signy 5 10 10 ..... **H Bannister 82**
7 6 **CAN YOU HEAR ME (37)** P Hobbs & J White 4 10 9 ..... **B R Jones 97**
8 0 **CROWN KHOV (37)** T H Weston 4 10 9 ..... **J Bowen 74**
9 0 **RIVER GLANCE (50)** Mrs E Bishop 4 10 9 ..... **J Best 94**
10 **DREAMFYRE DANCER** H Brown 4 10 2 ..... **B Godfrey –**

Star Betting: 15-8 Old Park Star, 3 Sinchi Roca, 5 Can You Hear Me, 13-2 Romany King, 8 Kiss Gold, 14 Pink Pony Club, 25 Crown Khov, Gone Girl, 33 others.
2024: The Bluesman 5 11 3, Freddie Gingell(5) 4-9 Fav (P Nicholls), 4 ran.
STARFORM: OLD PARK STAR DGR: Can You Hear Me

5.55 TIP TOP PORTABLE OPEN NH FLAT (DIV 2)
Class 5 2m (9 runners) £2,451

1 P334 **DUEL AU SOLEIL (50)** B Pauling 5 11 3 ..... **B R Jones ★101**
2 **MANALISHI** R Phillips 6 11 3 ..... **F Lambert (3) –**
3 **ZAMEK** P Nicholls 5 11 3 ..... **F Gingell –**
4 **CLEMCOS REVENGE** J Tickle 6 10 10 ..... **C Pritchard (5) –**
5 4 **LIMERICK LASS (98)(T*)** A Honeyball 5 10 10 ..... **B Godfrey 100**
6 **MOONLIGHT STRIDE** P Hobbs & J White 5 10 10 ..... **Sean Houlihan –**
7 **ANOTHER DRAM** C Boultbee-Brooks 4 10 9 ..... **R Patrick –**
8 1 **LAZARE COMBO (51)** Anthony Charlton 4 10 9 ..... **B Carver –**
9 **THE MULLET** C Longsdon 4 10 9 ..... **D Bass –**

Star Betting: 9-4 Zamek, 4 Lazare Combo, 5 Duel Au Soleil, 8 Limerick Lass, 10 Manalishi, Moonlight Stride, The Mullet, 12 Another Dram, 16 Clemcos Revenge.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: ZAMEK DANGER: Duel La Soleil

WHO'S HOT, WHO'S NOT

TERRIFIC TRAINERS: (Most wins last 14 days) A Balding 14; W P Mullins 11; D Skelton 10; James Owen 7; K R Burke 7; T Easterby 7; W Haggas 6; F O'Brien 6.
SUFFERING STABLES: (Runners since last win) C Dunnett 143; M Young 101; Mrs N Evans 79; R Barr 77; Sarah Hollinshead 77.
HOT JOCKS: (Most wins last 14 days) Oisin Murphy 13; B Loughnane 9; Tom Marquand 8; David Probert 7; Daniel Muscutt 7; Jason Watson 7; Callum Rodriguez 7; Harry Skelton 7
RIDE OUT OF LUCK: (Rides since last win) J Nason 112; Laura Pearson 76; Harrison Shaw 67; Gina Mangan 57; F McManoman 55.

WIND SURGERY

CHEPSTOW: Geezer Rockstar (4.07).
FAKENHAM: Like Magic (2.48), Claim Du Brizais (5.08).
PLUMPTON: As The Fella Says (3.45), Cusano (4.55), Moonshine Man (4.55).
REDCAR: Master Richard (3.40), The Green Man (3.40).

HEAVEY'S NAP

DICKENS (4.55 Plumpton) won well after being held up off a strong gallop in a handicap hurdle at Hexham 39 days ago and can repeat that performance here.

STARFORM TREBLE

NAP – JOHNNYWHO (5.00 Fairyhouse)
NB – MILITARY ORDER (2.55 Kempton)
TREBLE – WESTPORT COVE (2.35 Plumpton)

PUNTER POINTERS

MAGIC COMBINATIONS

FAKENHAM: Lee Edwards rides 3.23 Hello Sweety, 4.33 Calvic for S Edmunds, previous combinations 2 wins from 2 mounts 100% strike rate at course.
KEMPTON: Oisin Murphy rides 5.50 Chilly Breeze for P Evans, previous combinations 2 wins from 3 mounts 67% strike rate at course.

NEW QUARTERS

CHEPSTOW: 2.24 Another Lifetime (N Hawke to N Mulholland), 2.59 El Muchacho (C Von Der Recke to O Murphy), 2.59 Gower Prince (N Twiston-Davies to M Sheppard), 2.59 Rouge Vif (R Bandey to A Hales), 5.19 Romany King (P F Cashman to C Longsdon), 5.55 Lazare Combo (Warren Ewing to Anthony Charlton).
FAKENHAM: 2.48 Wind River (E Dunlop to D Skelton), 5.08 Eastern Shores (S Doyle to F O'Brien).
KEMPTON: 2.20 Romance In Rome (Ollie Sangster to Michael Keady), 2.55 Exoplanet (R Varian to A Watson), 4.05 Nibras Angel (I Mohammed to Alice Haynes), 5.50 Sheriff's Court (A Fabre to Sir M Prescott).
PLUMPTON: 5.35 Fortune Timmy (Donnchadh Doyle to C Gordon).
REDCAR: 1.25 Romieu (A Fabre to A Keatley), 3.40 Project Black (B Smart to G Oldroyd), 5.30 Lady Diesel (T Ward to T Coyle & K Wood).
WOLVERHAMPTON: 2.10 Mohave Dancer (C Fellowes to Mrs Stella Barclay).

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

BATH

2.01: **1, IT'S TIM** (Jack Callan 3-1 fav); **2, Khangai** (10-1); **3, Harlington** (5-1). 6½l, ½l. 9 ran. G Boughey. Tote: £4.00; pl £1.60, £3.00, £1.90. Exacta: £37.70. Tricast: £144.29. Trifecta: £155.70. CSF: £33.21.

2.31: **1, GOLDEN CIRCET** (K Shoemark 13-2); **2, Cavalry Call** (9-4 fav); **3, Chicago Storm** (3-1). nk, 1l. 7 ran. J & S Best. Tote: £7.50; pl £2.80, £1.70. Exacta: £16.40. Tricast: £52.48. Trifecta: £73.20. CSF: £21.09. NR: Caelan, Sir Edward Lear.

3.06: **1, KINETIC FORCE** (S De Sousa 6-1); **2, Toolatetonegotiate** (4-1); **3, Think Of A Name** (10-3). 3-1 fav Alashos. 3¾l, 1¾l. 10 ran. D Donovan. Tote: £7.00; pl £2.00, £1.60, £1.70. Exacta: £32.40. Tricast: £94.95. Trifecta: £143.60. CSF: £29.03.

3.41: **1, ELECTRIC STORM** (D Tudhope 7-2 fav); **2, Frost At Dawn** (9-2); **3, First Instinct** (8-1). 1l, 1¼l. 12 ran. J Tate. Tote: £4.80; pl £2.00, £2.00, £2.40. Exacta: £22.60. Trifecta: £200.60. CSF: £19.36. NR: Balmoral Lady, Queen All Star, Running Queen, Sea Emily Run, Sophia's Starlight.

4.16: **1, LIL GUFF** (O Murphy 10-3 fav); **2, The Thames Boatman** (7-2); **3, Kiss And Run** (13-2). 1½l, 3¼l. 8 ran. D & C Kubler. Tote: £4.34; pl £2.20, £1.80, £1.60. Exacta: £18.80. Tricast: £72.58. Trifecta: £107.00. CSF: £15.76. NR: Cloud King, Tan Rapido.

4.51: **1, CASTRO AURUM** (Jason Watson 5-2); **2, Pave The Way** (6-1); **3, Camino De Santiago** (14-1). 7-4 fav Sayidah New Bay. 1l, nk. 8 ran. Darryll Holland. Tote: £3.70; pl £1.30, £1.90, £2.20. Exacta: £19.20. Trifecta: £129.00. CSF: £18.26. NR: Maeva, Nanino Niyati.

5.26: **1, THISCOULDBEFUN** (Taylor Fisher 8-1); **2, Yellow Card** (5-1); **3, Captain Cess** (16-1). 9-4 fav Red Admiral. ¾l, shd. 9 ran. J S Moore. Tote: £9.00; pl £1.50, £1.80, £3.90. Exacta: £44.60. Tricast: £481.37. Trifecta: £314.50. CSF: £46.43. NR: Bintshuaa, Pay Attention, Sheephavenbaystory.

QUADPOT: £6.10
PLACEPOT: £19.50

MARKET RASEN

2.35: **1, GIOVANNI CHANGE** (Mr Paddy Barlow 5-2); **2, Morfee** (8-1); **3, Micks Jet** (4-1). 2-1 fav The Dream Goes On. hd, 24l. 5 ran. M Walford. Tote: £3.50; pl £1.70, £3.10. Exacta: £21.00. Trifecta: £61.60. CSF: £19.83.

3.10: **1, THE SECRET PEARL** (H Bannister 6-4 fav); **2, Just Her Type** (11-4); **3, Ninna Collina** (2-1). hd, 2¼l. 8 ran. A Hales. Tote: £2.50; pl £1.10, £1.10, £1.10. Exacta: £5.20. Trifecta: £8.70. CSF: £6.26. NR: Plus Point.

3.45: **1, WALDEN** (S Sheppard 5-1); **2, Presenting Milan** (13-2); **3, Joining Force** (11-10 fav). 3l, 3¼l. 8 ran. T Lacey. Tote: £6.20; pl £1.60, £1.90, £1.10. Exacta: £45.00. Trifecta: £102.70. CSF: £37.02. NR: Away For The Night, New Invention.

4.20: **1, ROBBER'S BRIDGE** (H Brooke 6-1); **2, Greatness Awaits** (13-2); **3, Livano Bello** (12-1). 7-2 fav Sambezi. 2¼l, 1¾l. 11 ran. Dan Horsford. Tote: £7.30; pl £2.40, £2.50, £4.10. Exacta: £58.20. Tricast: £467.66. Trifecta: £811.80. CSF: £47.53.

4.55: **1, PROSPECT HOUSE** (William Maggs 5-2); **2, Pittsburg** (9-5 fav); **3, Royal Max** (7-2). 1½l, ½l. 8 ran. P Niven. Tote: £3.50; pl £1.40, £1.10, £1.40. Exacta: £7.30. Tricast: £14.82. Trifecta: £22.60. CSF: £7.77. NR: Grain Trade.

5.30: **1, AMERICAN EMPIRE** (B Bromley 3-1); **2, Crest Of Stars** (1-2 fav); **3, Corra Bheinn** (5-1). 7l, 1l. 3 ran. D Cantillon. Tote: £4.00; Exacta: £4.80. Trifecta: £5.70. CSF: £5.14. NR: Click On The Link, Exiguus, Ned Hill.

QUADPOT: £26.90
PLACEPOT: £117.50

PLUMPTON

1.50: **1, JASMINE D'AIRY** (Mr B Sutton 1-2 fav); **2, She Is For Me Boys** (5-1); **3, Lady Kluck** (5-1). 24l, 16l. 5 ran. Harry Derham. Tote: £1.50; pl £1.10, £2.00. Exacta: £3.50. Trifecta: £6.60. CSF: £3.77. NR: Calli Black, Chique Angel.

2.20: **1, FLAMELCO** (T Cannon 9-1); **2, Jolyjump** (5-1); **3, Bob Bob Ricard** (9-2). 4-1 jtfav Alien Storm, 4-1 jtfav Tactical Affair. 2½l, 4¼l. 7 ran. S Humphrey. Tote: £10.00; pl £3.90, £2.80. Exacta: £47.20. Trifecta: £321.00. CSF: £52.93.

2.55: **1, MY FRIEND SEAN** (C Iles 11-2); **2, Officer Of State** (7-2); **3, Luna Effect** (10-1). 10-3 fav Ugo Bingo. 4½l, shd. 8 ran. T Lacey. Tote: £6.50; pl £1.60, £1.70, £2.60. Exacta: £21.50. Tricast: £185.26. Trifecta: £168.90. CSF: £24.90. NR: Jorebel.

3.30: **1, HUGOS NEW HORSE** (H Cobden 10-3); **2, Havaila** (7-4 fav); **3, Major Fortune** (4-1). 3l, 6½l. 6 ran. P Nicholls. Tote: £4.34; pl £2.20, £1.40. Exacta: £10.60. Trifecta: £27.20. CSF: £1.22.

4.05: **1, ABSURDE** (H Cobden 9-4 fav); **2, Daddy Long Legs** (10-1); **3, Our Champ** (7-2). 4¼l, 3½l. 11 ran. W P Mullins. Tote: £3.25; pl £1.60, £2.70, £1.70. Exacta: £23.80. Tricast: £79.89. Trifecta: £128.80. CSF: £26.29.

4.40: **1, SHAKEYATAILFEATHER** (H Skelton 5-2 fav); **2, Siam Park** (4-1); **3, Joe Cotton** (5-1). shd, 1¼l. 8 ran. D Skelton. Tote: £3.50; pl £1.40, £1.70, £1.50. Exacta: £13.90. Tricast: £45.76. Trifecta: £35.40. CSF: £13.59.

5.15: **1, BUSY BEING BUSY** (Lee Edwards 15-8 fav); **2, Mr Escobar** (7-2); **3, Kells Priory** (33-1). 2¾l, 4½l. 6 ran. S Edmunds. Tote: £2.88; pl £1.50, £2.10. Exacta: £9.50. Tricast: £150.39. Trifecta: £140.30. CSF: £9.17. NR: Electric Mason, Emailandy, King Alexander, Mostly Sunny.

JACKPOT: £11,201.50
QUADPOT: £5.80
PLACEPOT: £60.00

SOUTHWELL

2.07: **1, BLUE TO BLUE** (S James 4-1); **2, Somebody** (15-8); **3, Red Savitar** (11-8 fav). 1½l, shd. 5 ran. K R Burke. Tote: £5.00; pl £1.90, £1.40. Exacta: £12.10. Trifecta: £22.60. CSF: £12.08.

2.42: **1, EVA ROSIE** (J Hart 10-3); **2, Anificas Beauty** (33-1); **3, L'immortale** (11-5 fav). shd, nk. 11 ran. Mrs Stella Barclay. Tote: £4.34; pl £1.40, £8.30, £1.30. Exacta: £135.80. Tricast: £292.27. Trifecta: £700.40. CSF: £114.70. NR: Kitten's Dream.

3.17: **1, LEDNIKOV** (Elle-May Croot 6-1); **2, Trusty Scout** (11-1); **3, Ring Fenced** (20-1). 11-4 fav Nasim. 7l, ¾l. 10 ran. I Furtado. Tote: £7.00; pl £2.20, £2.40, £5.30. Exacta: £79.20. Tricast: £1241.60. Trifecta: £1382.10. CSF: £70.11. NR: Making A Move.

3.52: **1, ARCTIC GREY** (P Dobbs 14-1); **2, Nebras** (2-7 fav); **3, Rogue Millions** (5-1). nk, 1¼l. 8 ran. R Hannon. Tote: £15.00; pl £1.02, £1.50, £2.70. Exacta: £33.50. Trifecta: £104.20. CSF: £19.93.

4.27: **1, THREATENING** (L Morris 6-4 jtfav); **2, Enchanted Way** (11-2); **3, Dr Ali** (9-1). 6-4 jtfav Adelaide Bay. 1¼l, ½l. 5 ran. Sir M Prescott. Tote: £2.50; pl £1.30, £2.50. Exacta: £9.00. Trifecta: £28.50. CSF: £10.51.

5.02: **1, KING SHARJA** (JP Sullivan 7-2 fav); **2, Aspire To Glory** (8-1); **3, Al Suil Eile** (9-1). hd, 1¾l. 13 ran. R Carr. Tote: £4.50; pl £1.80, £2.90, £3.20. Exacta: £33.10. Tricast: £250.46. Trifecta: £248.40. CSF: £32.75.

5.37: **1, JESSE LUC** (Rossa Ryan 5-4 fav); **2, Sibyl Charm** (17-2); **3, Swiss Ace** (11-4). ½l, ½l. 7 ran. M Murphy. Tote: £2.25; pl £1.30, £3.40. Exacta: £12.70. Tricast: £26.10. Trifecta: £35.20. CSF: £13.65. NR: Mattice.

QUADPOT: £22.30
PLACEPOT: £54.90

SPORTWORD

ACROSS

1. Home ground of 2024-2025 Championship club Plymouth Argyle (4,4)
7 and 9 Across. 2025 World Athletics Indoor Championships women's 400m gold medallist (5,6)
8 and 18 Across. United Arab Emirates men's national football team coach (5,5)
9. See 7 Across.
10. ___ put, 2020 Olympics individual athletics field event won by Ryan Crouser and Yemisi Ogunleye respectively (4)
12 and 4 Down. 1976-1986 Scotland and 1982-88 Hibernian goalkeeper (4,5)
14 and 19 Across. 2004 and 2008 Olympics women's 200m backstroke swimming gold medallist; president-elect of the International Olympic Committee (6,8)
17. Juan ___, Spanish cyclist; 2024 Faun-Ardeche Classic winner (5)
18. See 8 Across.
19. See 14 Across.

DOWN

1. Barry ___, British cyclist; 1974 Gent-Wevelgem one-day race winner (5)
2. Dan ___, 1983-2000 Miami Dolphins quarterback (6)
3. David ___, trainer of 2008 Grand National winner Comply or Die (4)
4. See 12 Across.
5. 2009-2022 Pakistan Test top-order batter who made 168 against Sri Lanka in Colombo in 2009 (5,4)
6. 1971-1984 England Test wicketkeeper nicknamed Chat; Prudential Cup '79 final runner-up (3,6)
11. Scott ___, 1985-1993 Rangers defender (6)
13. See 16 Down.
15. Jamie ___, 1985-1986 Castleford wing; 1986 Challenge Cup final winner (5)
16 and 13 Down. 2009-2015 Nigeria, 2008-2011 Aberdeen, 2012-2016 Hull and 2021-2024 Ipswich attacker (4,5)

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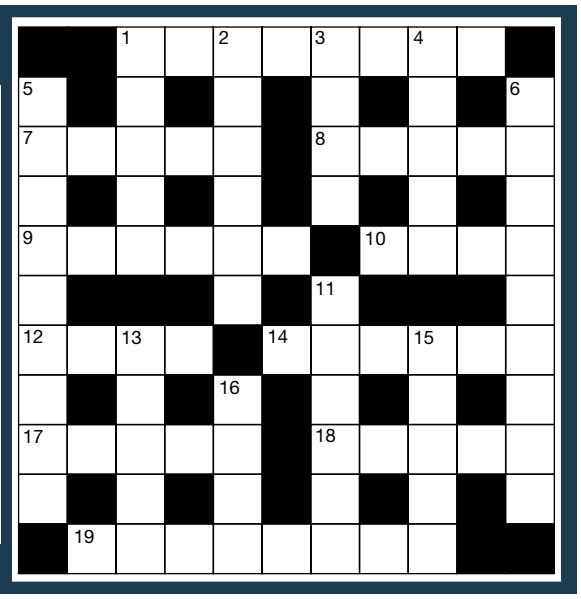

5 FOR FUN

1. Who won the 2025 Motorcycle Grand Prix of the Americas MotoGP?
2. Which golfer won the 2025 Texas Children's Houston Open?
3. Who won the 2025 Miami Open women's singles tennis tournament?
4. Which Gloucester Rugby pair each scored a hat-trick in the 2024-2025 Gallagher Premiership home win over Bristol Bears?
5. Who, in 2024-2025, became the first team to win three penalty shoot-outs in a single season in the FA Cup?

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1 (5) 12- **ROMIEU (200)(BF,D,S)(T*)** A Keatley 4 10 9 .... **S James** –
2 (1) **EARTHWATCH** W Haggas 3 9 2 .... **T Marquand** –
3 (4) 5 **OBITO (23)** D O'Meara 3 9 2 .... **D Tudhope** 58
4 (3) 0 **FALLONS FIRST (22)** K R Burke 3 8 11 .... **J Nicholls (7)** 47
5 (2) 3- **JENUBIYAH (131)** R Varian 3 8 11 .... **J Mitchell**★63

Star Betting: 13-8 Romieu, 2 Jenubiyah, 3 Earthwatch, 8 Obito, 25 Fallons First.
2024: Race abandoned due to waterlogged course.
STARFORM: EARTH WATCH **DANGER:** Romieu

1.55 CLEVELAND MOUNTAIN RESCUE HANDICAP (DIV 1)
Class 6 6f (10 runners) £3,140

1 (7) 41063-5 **MRS TRUMP (13)(CD,C,G,S)** P Midgley 5 9 9 .... **D Nolan** 63
2 (8) 05112L- **GARIFULLINA (188)(CD,D,G,S)** J J Davies 5 9 9 .... **S B Kirrane** 64
3 (5) 233-124 **LADY OF THE GARR (79)(BF,A)** T Waggott 4 9 7 .... **C Beasley** 63
4 (4) 0000-L0 **LITTLE MUDDY (22)(D2,G,S)** S Spencer 9 9 7 .... **Dale Swift** 60
5 (6) 10454-0 **SUPERNOVA STEPS (14)(BF,D,A)** D Loughnane 4 9 5 .... **W Pyle (5)**★65
6 (10) 0L-3635 **KRANJCAR (16)(B,T)** G Boughey 4 9 1 .... **D Tudhope** 63
7 (1) L-LL005 **POSH MAISIE (12)(P,T)** C Teague 4 9 0 .... **C Hardie** 58
8 (2) 4034444 **USTATH (12)(D6,A0,G)** Roger Fell 9 9 0 .... **T Marquand** 62
9 (9) 050334- **IRISH DANCER (159)(BF)** D Carroll 5 9 0 .... **Z Wheatley (3)** 63
10 (3) 500-000 **BIRDIE BOWERS (42)(A,G)(P*)** D Thompson 8 9 0 .... **D Allan** 46

LONG HANDICAP: Posh Maisie 8-13, Ustath 8-13, Irish Dancer 8-13, Birdie Bowers 8-13.
Star Betting: 3 Lady Of The Garr, 5 Ustath, Kranjcar, 7 Irish Dancer, 8 Mrs Trump, Garifullina, Supernova Steps, 14 Little Muddy, 16 others.
2024: Race abandoned due to waterlogged course.
STARFORM: USTATH **DANGER:** Garifullina

2.30 CLEVELAND MOUNTAIN RESCUE HANDICAP (DIV 2)
Class 6 6f (10 runners) £3,140

1 (3) L05- **WIGGINS B (284)** D & N Barron 4 9 9 .... **C Rodriguez** 62
2 (10) 63420L3 **BRIAN THE SNAIL (9)(D8,A,G,S)(P)** P Morris 11 9 9 .... **P Mulrennan** 75
3 (8) 04160-0 **DUNNINGTON LAD (12)(G,S)** P Winks 5 9 7 .... **H Shaw** 68
4 (7) 13L3021 **STROXX (12)(A,G)(B)** L Bailey 8 9 6 .... **B Garritty** 64
5 (6) 6-31004 **TICKETS (42)(BF,D,A)** B Haslam 6 9 4 .... **A Mullen**★76
6 (2) 064420- **VARIETY ISLAND (130)(D,A,G)** S Whitaker 6 9 1 .... **T Eaves** 66
7 (1) 2402L36 **FAST FLO (9)(B,E)** C Dunnett 6 9 0 .... **Jack Callan (7)** 67
8 (4) L-30660 **JOHN KIRKUP (9)(C,D3,G,S)(V*)** D Thompson 10 9 0 .... **D Allan** 59
9 (5) 460000- **HYRCANIAN (175)(P)** R Barr 4 9 0 .... **A Jary (5)** 53
10 (9) 006000- **MISS RAINBOW (167)** T Waggott 4 9 0 .... **W Pyle (5)** 59

LONG HANDICAP: Fast Flo 8-13, John Kirkup 8-13, Hyrcanian 8-13, Miss Rainbow 8-13.
Star Betting: 5-2 Tickets, 11-4 Stroxx, 4 Brian The Snail, 8 Wiggins B, 10 Variety Island, Fast Flo, 14 Dunnington Lad, 25 Miss Rainbow, John Kirkup, 50 Hyrcanian.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: BRIAN THE SNAIL **DANGER:** Stroxx

3.05 MARKET CROSS JEWELLERS HANDICAP
Class 5 1m 6f (5 runners) £3,664

1 (1) 50-5421 **MEDIA MOGUL (25)(A)(P)** E Walker 4 9 12 .... **T Marquand** 71
2 (2) 162336- **GASTRONOMY (132)(CD,A,G)** P Kirby 6 9 11 .... **C Hardie**★75
3 (4) 144-044 **RIBBA HILL (33)(A)** G Tuer 4 9 11 .... **O Stammers** 72
4 (3) 015440- **MARBUZET (219)(D2,G,S)(B)** T Easterby 6 9 10 .... **D Allan** 74
5 (5) 50133-L **TROJAN SUN (19)(G)(P)** J Goldie 5 9 0 .... **P Mulrennan** 73

Star Betting: 5-4 Media Mogul, 7-2 Gastronomy, 4 Ribba Hill, 13-2 Trojan Sun, 8 Marbuzet.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: MEDIA MOGUL **DANGER:** Gastronomy

3.40 FLAT IS BACK ON RACING TV HANDICAP
Class 4 7f (9 runners) £5,234

1 (2) 14552-4 **CIRCE (22)(D,G,S)** R Hannon 4 9 9 .... **T Marquand** 94
2 (7) 01055-4 **CRUYFF TURN (14)(CD3,D2,G,S)** T Easterby 8 9 8 .... **D Allan** 95
3 (6) 01605-0 **WOODSTOCK (22)(D3,A,G)(P)** R Carr 5 9 8 .... **Joanna Mason** 90
4 (4) 132462- **AL MUQDAD (212)(BF,D4,A,G)** D O'Meara 5 9 6 .... **D Tudhope**★96
5 (9) 4-02265 **LERWICK (24)(G)(B)** M Loughnane 5 9 5 .... **J Peate** 94
6 (1) 044446- **MASTER RICHARD (128)(D,A,G)** Mrs A Duffield 6 9 5 .... **D Nolan** 94
7 (3) /50L3-6 **THE GREEN MAN (73)(A,G)(P)** D Brooke 6 9 1 .... **A Rawlinson** 83
8 (5) 3125L/ **PROJECT BLACK (713)(BF,C,S)** G Oldroyd 5 8 12 .... **P J McDonald** –
9 (8) 04400-L **LIVIO MILO (13)(D)** S England 5 8 10 .... **S Gray** 94

Star Betting: 9-4 Al Muqdad, 3 Circe, 4 Cruyff Turn, 7 Master Richard, 8 Lerwick, 14 Woodstock, 16 The Green Man, 20 Livio Milo, 50 Project Black.
2024: Race abandoned due to waterlogged course.
STARFORM: AL MUQDAD **DANGER:** Cruyff Turn

4.15 MARSKE FABRICATION & ENGINEERING HANDICAP
Class 3 1m (8 runners) £8,100

1 (3) 506-502 **RHYTHM MASTER (9)(A,S)(P)** G Harker 7 9 9 .... **S James** 97
2 (5) 35310-0 **CRIMSON ROAD (22)(G)(T)** S Corbett 4 9 3 .... **C Rodriguez** 93
3 (8) 224- **CADARN (130)(BF)(T)** G Boughey 4 9 3 .... **D Tudhope** 93
4 (2) 02035-5 **BARLEY (14)(D3,G,S)(P)** T Easterby 6 9 1 .... **D Allan** 96
5 (7) 411-003 **GRABAJABBA (22)(A)** M Appleby 4 9 0 .... **F Larson** 95
6 (1) 2L3030- **BOY DOUGLAS (177)(D2,G,S)** M Dods 5 8 12 .... **C Beasley**★99
7 (6) 50000-0 **REIDH (14)(G)** R Fahey 5 8 10 .... **S Gray** 92
8 (4) 001040- **YAASER (193)(D2,A,G)** J Goldie 7 8 6 .... **Amie Waugh (3)** 97

Star Betting: 9-4 Rhythm Master, 5-2 Cadarn, 4 Grabajabba, 8 Barley, 10 Yaaser, 14 Boy Douglas, 16 Crimson Road, 20 Reidh.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: RHYTHM MASTER **DANGER:** Grabajabba

4.50 MARSKE FABRICATION & ENGINEERING HANDICAP
Class 6 3YO 1m (12 runners) £3,140

1 (9) 536L- **TREBLE WINNERS (235)(P*)** M Walford 9 9 .... **S James** 65
2 (3) 65-0 **MWAFAQ (13)** R Fahey 9 9 .... **Oisin Orr** 67
3 (5) 00-L631 **FLAMBOROUGH HEAD (14)(CD,G)** T Easterby 9 9 .... **D Allan** 64
4 (12) 606- **HOMELAND (214)** M Dods 9 8 .... **C Beasley** 61
5 (8) 0L0- **TRIPLE DOUBLE A (115)(P*,T)** H Palmer 9 8 .... **J Hart** 65
6 (4) 0L5-3 **GROUNDHOG (14)(BF)(H)** D & N Barron 9 7 .... **C Rodriguez** 66
7 (6) 04300-4 **OTTOMAN (14)** O Greenall & J Guerriero 9 5 .... **P J McDonald**★68
8 (2) 326-030 **WONDROUS WAYS (40)(S)** O Pears 9 2 .... **C Hardie** 65
9 (1) L-00 **HURRICANE BEA (11)** T Waggott 9 1 .... **W Pyle (5)** 62
10 (7) 000-021 **I CAN BOOGY (13)(D,A)** N Tinkler 9 1 .... **F McManoman** 66
11 (10) 030-504 **MAGIC TOPISSIMA (14)** G Tuer 8 13 .... **H Shaw** 63
12 (11) L00-4 **MISSION IN MALTON (13)** T Easterby 8 9 .... **Amie Waugh (3)** 60

LONG HANDICAP: Mission In Malton 8-8.
Star Betting: 4 Flamborough Head, 9-2 Groundhog, 11-2 I Can Boogy, 6 others.
2024: Race abandoned due to waterlogged course.
STARFORM: FLAMBOROUGH HEAD **DANGER:** Ottoman

5.30 WATCH RACE REPLAYS AT RACINGTV.COM HANDICAP
Class 6 3YO 6f (16 runners) £3,140

1 (16) L5-6 **CITY OF STRANGERS (11)** I Furtado 9 9 .... **T Eaves** 61
2 (13) 06030-2 **PERFIDIA (7)(P)** T Easterby 9 9 .... **D Allan** 63
3 (2) 605 **MAYDAY MAYDAY (40)(T,V*)** K R Burke 9 8 .... **J Nicholls (7)** 60
4 (8) 3066L0- **UNTHINKABLE (156)(S)** P Kirby 9 7 .... **C Hardie** 60
5 (11) 060-00 **LADY DIESEL (54)** T Coyle & K Wood 9 7 .... **D Nolan** 55
6 (7) 004L1-4 **ANDALSEEYAGRAHAM (107)(D,A)** N Tinkler 9 7 .... **A Jary (5)** 59
7 (4) 6L0L-04 **SANBONA (7)(V)** M Dods 9 4 .... **C Beasley** 64
8 (15) 0-0060L **COLLEGE WITCH (18)** C Dunnett 9 4 .... **Jack Callan (7)** 62
9 (3) 05L-440 **HARDLASS (30)** G Tuer 9 4 .... **S James** 59
10 (5) 000-0 **CRIMSON LAD (30)(B*)** Jessica Macey 9 3 .... **O Stammers** 60
11 (1) 00-04 **MARTHA COSTELLO (52)** D & N Barron 9 2 .... **C Rodriguez** 60
12 (9) L00- **CRACKINTHUNDER (114)(H)** J Goldie 9 1 .... **DOUBTFUL**
13 (6) 00000-3 **FREGOLA (17)** R Hannon 9 1 .... **T Marquand** 60
14 (12) 00L02L- **ARIA'S DREAM (164)(H*)** N Tinkler 9 0 .... **F McManoman** 60
15 (14) 00L-54 **ZIVA'S STAR (7)** S Whitaker 9 0 .... **J Fanning**★68
16 (10) LL0- **DIAMOND DUDE (114)** T Waggott 9 0 .... **Rhys Elliott (5)** 36

LONG HANDICAP: Ziva's Star 8-13, Diamond Dude 8-13.
Star Betting: 7-2 Perfidia, 4 Martha Costello, 5 Fregola, 8 Sanbona, 10 others.
2024: Race abandoned due to Waterlogged course.
STARFORM: PERFIDIA **DANGER:** Fregola

PLUMPTON sky sports racing ITV4: 2.35

TRACKFACTS An oval left-handed track, one mile one furlong in extent, with seven fences per circuit and a run-in of 200yds. The tight bends, steep undulationsand uphill straight make it an ideal course for the handy, quick-jumper.

2.00 CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE
C3 (14 flights) 3m 1f (9 runners) £15,843

1 L-PL **PRESS YOUR LUCK (52)(G,S)(P)** C Gordon 10 12 0 .... **F Gordon** 101
2 2532 **WARRANTY (15)(C,G,S)** Miss S West 8 11 9 .... **F Mitchell** 124
3 42PP **KEN ROY (44)(P)** P Nicholls 6 11 4 .... **J Tidball (3)** 117
4 24L2 **KAITUNA RIVER (23)(C,G)(P)** A Hales 8 11 3 .... **J Brace** 124
5 000P **KELLS PRIORY (88)(G,S)(P)** Louise G Lyons (IRE) 8 11 0 **Kieran Callaghan** 114
6 5L3L **COPSHILL LAD (2)(G,S)(P)** Harry Derham 7 10 13 .... **DOUBTFUL**
7 0151 **GWENNIE MAY STAR (9)(G,S)(P)** D Skelton 5 10 13 .... **T Durrell (3)**★127
8 6411 **LA DOLCE DOLLY (21)(CD,D,G)** A Irvine 6 10 13 .... **P Armson** 121
9 1-L3 **ALL AUTHORIZED (52)(G,S)(T*)** G & J Moore 6 10 9 .... **C Quinn (3)** –

Star Betting: 9-4 Gwennie May Star, 7-2 La Dolce Dolly, 4 Warranty, 6 Kaituna River, 10 others.
2024: No corresponding meeting.
STARFORM: LA DOLCE DOLLY **DGR:** Gwennie May Star

2.35 SUSSEX CHAMPION CHASE HANDICAP CHASE
C2 (12 fences) 2m 1f (10 run) £52,810

1 0-1340 **JPR ONE (40)(D,G,S)(T)** J Tizzard 8 12 0 .... **B J Powell** 161
2 113LL0 **MARTATOR (40)(D3,G,S)(P)** V Williams 8 11 3 .... **C Deutsch** 151
3 -04422 **WESTPORT COVE (17)(BF(H,T)** W P Mullins (IRE) 7 11 1 .... **N De Boinville** 152
4 111PLL **MATTERHORN (30)(D3,F,G)(T)** P Nicholls 7 11 1 .... **H Cobden**★162
5 12L150 **FRINGILL DIKE (40)(D2,G)(B)** J O'Keeffe 8 11 0 .... **C O'Farrell** 159
6 3P5PL1 **SANS BRUIT (18)(D,G,S)(T)** P Nicholls 7 10 12 .... **J Tidball (5)** 155
7 1322L1 **ASTA LA PASTA (10)(D,G,S)(H,T)** D Skelton 7 10 8 .... **H Skelton** 157
8 0L5112 **TEDDY BLUE (30)(G)(B,T)** Harry Derham 7 10 4 .... **Paul O'Brien** 158
9 316002 **AUCUNRISQUE (31)(G,S)** C Gordon 9 10 3 .... **C Maggs (5)** –
10 1544L1 **COASTGUARD STATION (22)(D,G,S)(P)** Henry Oliver 9 10 2 **S Twiston-Davies** 154

LONG HANDICAP: Coastguard Station 10-0.
Star Betting: 7-2 Asta La Pasta, 4 Westport Cove, 9-2 Sans Bruit, 8 Aucunrisque, Teddy Blue, 10 JPR One, Coastguard Station, 12 others.

JASON HEAVEY — STAR TIP

Gwennie May Star 2.00 All Authorised
Asta La Pasta 2.35 JPR One (nb)
Norn Iron 3.10 Norn Iron
Escapologist 3.45 Wicked Thoughts
Lady Jago 4.19 Lady Jago
Dickens (nap) 4.55 He's A Latchito
Emerald Poet 5.35 Le Beau Madrik

STARFORM **WESTPORT COVE** 6-4fav (11-12) Led, mistake 6th, pressed before straight, 1-length lead and mistake 2 out, soon ridden, not fluent last, strongly pressed run-in, headed close home, 2nd of 8, nk behind Aspire Tower (11-12) at Wexford 2m beg chase.

Asta La Pasta 6-4fav (11-10) Made all, forged away from 2nd, left well clear 3 out, coasted home, unchallenged, won at Ayr 2m (3) gs beating Paso Doble (10-13) by 37l, 4 ran.

Sans Bruit 5-1 (10-6) Led until not fluent 1st, led next, quickened clear before last, stayed on well, readily, won at Aintree 2m prem hcp ch (1) gs beating Calico (11-2) by 4 1/2l, 14 ran.

Aucunrisque 8-1 (11-11) Tracked winner, pushed along before 3 out, lost 2nd next, plugged on and no impression in 3rd, went 2nd post, no chance with winner, 2nd of 9, 2l behind Manuelito (11-6) at Newbury 2m hcp hdl 0-130 (3) gs in Mar.

STARFORM: WESTPORT COVE **DANGER:** Asta La Pasta

3.10 ROY REEVE 'NH' MAIDEN HURDLE
Class 3 (9 flights) 2m (5 runners) £8,714

1 2242 **NORN IRON (30)(BF)** Harry Derham 7 11 6 .... **Paul O'Brien**★128
2 000R **NOW I KNOW (28)(T)** C Gordon 5 11 6 .... **R Dingle** 59
3 3256 **ROMAN ROY (42)(T)** P Nicholls 6 11 6 .... **H Cobden** 101
4 0P20 **START AGAIN (187)** F O'Brien 5 11 6 .... **J Hogan (3)** –
5 -5FL **BALLYHEALY DIAMOND (10)** D Steele 6 10 13 .... **F Mitchell (3)** 80

Star Betting: 1-3 Norn Iron, 5 Start Again, Roman Roy, 66 Now I Know, Ballyhealy Diamond.
STARFORM: NORN IRON **DANGER:** Roman Roy

3.45 SOUTHERN CRANES NOVICES' H'CAP HURDLE
C2 (12 flights) 2m 4f 114yds (12 run) £23,764

1 5R21 **MR ESCOBAR (F52)(G)(H)** W P Mullins (IRE) 7 12 0 .... **K Callaghan (5)** 117
2 3011 **EXCELERO (71)(S)(H)** Mrs J Williams 5 11 11 .... **Ciaran Gethings**★128
3 1F23 **AMBION VIEW (59)(BF,S)** J Tizzard 6 11 11 .... **B J Powell** 119
4 3122 **ESCAPOLOGIST (35)(G)** James Owen 6 11 7 .... **S Twiston-Davies** 123
5 13P1 **ELYSIAN KNIGHT (24)(G,S)** N Mulholland 6 11 7 .... **C O'Farrell** 127
6 2F21 **WICKED THOUGHTS (22)(G,S)(P)** P Nicholls 6 11 6 .... **H Cobden** 119
7 3512 **AUTHENTIC LEGACY (24)(BF,S)** G & J Moore 5 11 6 .... **C Quinn** 124
8 1234 **ILLEGAL D'AINAY (92)(C,G)** C Gordon 7 11 4 .... **R Dingle** 126
9 3113 **STAR OF AFFINITY (52)(D,G,S)(T)** J Tizzard 6 11 3 .... **T Cannon** 123
10 1224 **AS THE FELLA SAYS (71)(BF)** N Henderson 6 11 2 .... **N De Boinville** 126
11 6411 **CONFINENTIC (70)(CD,C,S)** C Gordon 5 11 2 .... **F Gordon (3)** 123
12 L5L5 **MOSTLY SUNNY (32)(G,S)(P)** D Skelton 6 10 11 .... **H Skelton** 114

Star Betting: 4 Mr Escobar, 11-2 Wicked Thoughts, 13-2 Authentic Legacy, 8 Excelero, Elysian Knight, 10 others.
S'FORM: AUTHENTIC LEGACY **DGR:** Wicked Thoughts

GOING: GOOD-GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

TOP TRAINERS (with runners) C Gordon 56 winners, (23.5% strike rate), -£11.76, G & J Moore 46, (15.9%), -£1.00, Seamus Mullins 18, (14.9%), -£7.00, P Nicholls 17, (28.8%), +£7.23, J Tizzard 16, (22.5%), -£3.00, N Mulholland 15, (13.9%), -£0.50, N Henderson 14, (29.8%), +£5.33.
TOP JOCKEYS (with mounts) Tom Cannon 45 winners, (25.9% strike rate), -£3.51, Harry Cobden 19, (28.8%), +£2.73, Brendan Powell 17, (13.6%), -£6.00, Rex Dingle 16, (14.2%), -£6.00, Freddie Gordon 15, (29.4%), +£0.83, Sam Twiston-Davies 13, (26.5%), +£7.50, Caoilin Quinn 11, (12.1%), -£1.00.

4.19 GORDON AND ANGELA HANDICAP CHASE
C4 (18 fences) 3m 2f (4 runners) £8,714

1 6P11 **LADY JAGO (7)(G)** D Skelton 6 11 11(7ex) .... **H Skelton** 115
2 3632 **SEA INVASION (34)(BF,G)(B*,T*)** A Honeyball 7 11 9 **S Twiston-Davies**★118
3 L-LL **ONETHREEFIVENOTOUT (73)(S)(P)** P Nicholls 9 11 9 .... **H Cobden** 92
4 3531 **LYRICAL GENIUS (66)(G)(P,T)** S Humphrey 8 11 2 .... **T Cannon** 116

Star Betting: 4-7 Lady Jago, 3 Lyrical Genius, 7 Sea Invasion, 12 Onethreefivenotout.
STARFORM: SEA INVASION **DANGER:** Lady Jags

4.55 BETGOODWIN HANDICAP HURDLE
C4 (9 flights) 2m (11 runners) £8,714

1 5L14 **AGGAGIO (35)(BF,D3,G,S)** G & J Moore 7 12 0 .... **R Hargreaves (7)** 111
2 3-61 **HE'S A LATCHICO (10)(G)** G & J Moore 7 11 12 .... **F Mitchell (3)** 113
3 -24P **BYZANTIUM (116)(H,T)** P Nicholls 5 11 9 .... **H Cobden** 107
4 L512 **SYNCHRONIST (32)(D,S)** S Humphrey 6 11 9 .... **T Cannon** 111
5 2503 **MOONSHINE MAN (49)** Miss H Knight 6 11 9 .... **B J Powell** 113
6 6325 **INFERNO SACREE (32)(BF,CD2,C,D,G,S)(B)** N Hawke 7 11 5 **S Twiston-Davies**★116
7 032L **LITTLE SOIREE (38)** C Gordon 7 11 4 .... **F Gordon (3)** 113
8 31 **PUBLIC ENEMY (15)(CD,G)** A Honeyball 4 11 3 .... **R Dingle** 115
9 -5F1 **DICKENS (39)(D,S)(H)** A King 7 11 0 .... **P Armson (3)** 109
10 2440 **CUSANO (222)(T*)** D Skelton 5 10 12 .... **H Skelton** 110
11 -050 **SGIAN DUBH (24)(P*)** Seamus Mullins 5 10 11 .... **C Deutsch** 107

Star Betting: 9-4 He's A Latchico, 9-2 Public Enemy, 11-2 Dickens, 13-2 Synchronist, 12 Aggagio, 14 others.
STARFORM: PUBLIC ENEMY **DANGER:** He's A Latchito

5.35 BETGOODWIN OPEN NH FLAT RACE
Class 2 2m 2f (8 runners) £12,526

1 1-0 **JEFE TRIUNFO (50)(G)** C Gordon 6 11 7 .... **T Cannon** 89
2 1L **KAJIKIA (122)(G)** P Nicholls 5 11 7 .... **J Tidball** 101
3 **EMERALD LAD** Harry Derham 6 11 3 .... **Paul O'Brien** –
4 **EMERALD POET** W P Mullins (IRE) 5 11 3 .... **H Cobden** –
5 2 **FORTUNE TIMMY (100)** C Gordon 5 11 3 .... **R Dingle** –
6 32-2 **GENERAL BRIAR (57)(BF)** C Gordon 6 11 3 .... **F Gordon**★105
7 01 **ROI DU RISK (85)(D,S)** Miss H Knight 4 10 13 .... **B J Powell** 104
8 **LE BEAU MADRIK** D Skelton 4 10 9 .... **H Skelton** –

Star Betting: 5-2 Emerald Poet, 4 Le Beau Madrik, 6 Roi Du Risk, General Briar, 13-2 Emerald Lad, 8 others.
STARFORM: EMERALD POET **DANGER:** General Briar

KEMPTON Racing TV ITV4: FOUR RACES LIVE FROM 2.55 TO 4.40

2.20 VIRGIN BET/EBF NOVICE STAKES (GBB RACE)
Class 5 1m 2f (14 runners) £4,320

1 (12) 41/ **ANZAC DAY (544)(D,S)** A Balding 4 10 9 .... **O Murphy** –
2 (4) **SENOR CORTEZ (J50)** R Eddery 4 10 2 .... **D Probert** –
3 (10) **CELTIC QUEEN (J44)(T)** T Vaughan 5 9 11 .... **R Clutterbuck** –
4 (11) 4- **AMMES (165)** James Owen 3 8 13 .... **H Davies** 70
5 (6) **CRIMINAL** R Hughes 3 8 13 .... **F Marsh** –
6 (3) 3 **ERNST BLOFELD (14)** J & T Gosden 3 8 13 .... **K Shoemark** 78
7 (1) **MODERN STYLE** C Appleby 3 8 13 .... **W Buick** –
8 (9) 20- **PADUA (138)(BF)** H Morrison 3 8 13 .... **Rossa Ryan** 71
9 (5) **SPANISH TRAIN(T*)** P & O Cole 3 8 13 .... **H Crouch** –
10 (13) 62- **SWORD OF WESSEX (215)(P*)** C Fellowes 3 8 13 .... **C Shepherd** ★81
11 (7) 50 **TOO DARN SEANIE (23)** E Dunlop 3 8 13 .... **A Farragher** 61
12 (8) **WARRIOR KING** Harry Charlton 3 8 13 .... **T Whelan** –
13 (2) 5- **HOLY SMOKER (151)** W Knight 3 8 8 .... **M Ghiani** 68
14 (14) 5 **ROMANCE IN ROME (91)(H*)** Michael Keady 3 8 8 .... **J F Egan** 60

Star Betting: 5-2 Ernst Blofeld, 10-3 Modern Style, 4 Sword Of Wessex, 5 Anzac Day, 12 Spanish Train, 14 Holy Smoker, Padua, 16 Ammes, 25 others.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: SWORD OF WESSEX **DGR:** Ernst Blofeld

2.55 VIRGIN BET MAGNOLIA STAKES (LISTED)
Class 1 1m 2f (8 runners) £28,355

1 (5) 1L22-3 **BOTANICAL (23)(D,G,S)(T)** G Boughey 5 9 3 **Billy Loughnane** 123
2 (8) 326L-2 **CHECKANDCHALLENGE (23)(D,A,G,S)** W Knight 6 9 3 .... **C Shepherd** 116
3 (6) 1/64- **CROWN BOARD (215)(A)(H*)** J Chapple-Hyam 5 9 3 .... **D Muscutt** 112
4 (3) 1L232/ **EXOPLANET (669)(G)** A Watson 5 9 3 .... **H Doyle** –
5 (7) /33L2- **LION'S PRIDE (226)(C2,A)** J & T Gosden 5 9 3 .... **K Shoemark** 117
6 (2) L/21L- **MILITARY ORDER (379)(D,A,G,S)** C Appleby 5 9 3 .... **W Buick** –
7 (4) 11/21- **OKEECHOBEE (360)(C,D2,A,G)** Harry Charlton 6 9 3 .... **O Murphy**★124
8 (1) 4050-1 **TEUMESSIAS FOX (23)(C3,D,A,G)** A Balding 6 9 3 .... **C Hutchinson** 118

Star Betting: 9-4 Okeechobee, 7-2 Military Order, 11-2 Teumessias Fox, 6 Checkandchallenge, 13-2 Botanical, 8 Lion's Pride, 16 Crown Board, 20 Exoplanet.
2024: Dubai Honour 6 9 3, Ryan Moore 4-6 Fav (W Haggas), drawn (2), 5 ran.
STARFORM: MILITARY ORDER **DANGER:** Lion's Pride

3.30 VIRGIN BET BEST ODDS DAILY FILLIES' H'CAP
Class 4 1m (7 runners) £6,281

1 (2) 0345-0 **MERCURY DAY (23)(D2,F,G)** C Allen 4 9 9 .... **Rossa Ryan** 87
2 (4) 101- **SKY SAFARI (178)(A,S)(T)** J Fanshawe 4 9 5 .... **D Muscutt** 88
3 (1) L114L- **ATLANTIS BLUE (206)(D2,F)(H)** G Baker 6 9 3 .... **N Callan** 91
4 (7) 113-40 **MORE THAN A FEELIN (47)(CD,A)(H,P*)** Alice Haynes 4 9 3 .... **K O'Neill** 90
5 (3) 6-2314 **TOP OF THE CLASS (37)(CD3,A)(P)** M Loughnane 5 9 2 **Billy Loughnane** 85
6 (5) 6345L- **DRAMATIC EFFECT (133)(D,G)(H)** E J-Houghton 4 9 0 .... **C Bishop** ★92
7 (6) 0L36-L **TWIRLER (100)(A)** M Attwater 4 8 10 .... **D Probert** 90

Star Betting: 6-5 Sky Safari, 9-2 Top Of The Class, 6 Atlantis Blue, 15-2 More Than A Feelin, 8 Mercury Day, 12 Dramatic Effect, 16 Twirler.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: SKY SAFARI **DANGER:** Top Of The Class

GOING: STANDARD TO SLOW

TRACKFACTS Right-handed Polytrack all-weather course. 1m round with tight turns and a 3f run-in. Stalls today Inside.
TOP TRAINERS (with runners) A Balding 97 winners, (16.1% strike rate), -£44.64, C Appleby 78, (32.9%), -£50.96, J & T Gosden 77, (20.6%), -£86.95, R Beckett 54, (17.8%), -£45.37.
TOP JOCKEYS (with mounts) Oisin Murphy 114 winners, (20.5% strike rate), -£94.53, David Probert 97, (12.5%), -£30.43, Daniel Muscutt 90, (13.8%), -£134.13.

4.05 VIRGIN BET DAILY EXTRA PLACES HANDICAP
Class 3 7f (11 runners) £8,246

1 (3) 143L2- **AHLAIN (251)(CD2,A)** J Tate 4 9 10 .... **Jason Watson** 96
2 (7) 06030- **NIBRAS ANGEL (189)(D2,F,G)** Alice Haynes 5 9 4 .... **K O'Neill** 98
3 (9) 154200 **TIGER CRUSADE (23)(CD,C,D3,A,G)** D M Simcock 8 9 4 .... **C Shepherd**★100
4 (5) 2104-0 **METAVERSE (22)(BF,CD,D,A,F)(H)** D Menuisier 5 9 3 .... **O Murphy** 98
5 (1) 20022- **DANCING MAGIC (200)(BF(P)** R Teal 5 9 3 .... **J Leavy (3)** 93
6 (11) 0L01-0 **DAPPER VALLEY (22)(D,S)(T)** Dr R Newland & J Insole 4 9 3 **H Doyle** 98
7 (2) 0-2141 **FOLLOW YOUR HEART (44) (CD4,D4,A,S)(T)** M Loughnane 7 9 2 .... **W Buick** 98
8 (6) 4-6212 **SUPREME KING (28)(C,A,G)** P Evans 5 9 2 .... **Rossa Ryan** 98
9 (8) 131121 **KITARO KICH (25)(D2,A)(T)** G Baker 5 9 0 .... **N Callan** 98
10 (10) -13433 **INVINCIBLE AURA (38)(BF,CD,A)(P,T)** M Botti 4 9 0 .... **M Ghiani** 97
11 (4) 5412-L **NORTH VIEW (16)(BF,D,F)(B)** G Boughey 4 8 13 **Billy Loughnane** 99

Star Betting: 7-2 Follow Your Heart, 5 Ahlain, 11-2 Kitaro Kich, 7 Supreme King, Dancing Magic, 15-2 Metaverse, 10 Invincible Aura, 12 North View, 16 others.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: FOLLOW YOUR HEART **DANGER:** Ahlain

4.40 VIRGIN BET SATURDAY MONEY BACK H'CAP
Class 4 6f (8 runners) £6,281

1 (1) 41151- **COUP DE FORCE (168)(CD,D3,A,G)** W Kittow 6 9 9 .... **R Hornby** 85
2 (3) 35100- **DREAM OF MISCHIEF (212)(A,G)** A Perrett 5 9 8 .... **D Muscutt** 86
3 (7) 54-45L **GIANT (20)(C,A)** R Spencer 5 9 8 .... **N Callan** 88
4 (4) -44143 **REBEL PATH (28)(D3,A,G)** S C Williams 6 9 6 .... **Jack Dace (7)** 86
5 (5) 4L4445 **DASHING HARRY (16)(CD,A,S)** James Horton 4 9 3 .... **A Farragher** 85
6 (2) 1165-6 **WORLD OF DARCY (16)(D4,G,S)(B)** J Ryan 4 9 3 .... **Laura Pearson** ★90
7 (6) 222532 **HIERARCHY (24)(D3,A,G,S)(B,T)** J Osborne 6 9 2 .... **S Osborne** 87
8 (8) L0622- **CYPRIOT DIASPORA (172)(D2,G,S)** B Millman 4 9 1 .... **O Murphy** 88

Star Betting: 11-4 Coup De Force, 7-2 Cypriot Diaspora, 9-2 Hierarchy, 13-2 Rebel Path, 8 Dream Of Mischief, Giant, 12 Dashing Harry, 14 World Of Darcy.
2024: No corresponding race.

JASON HEAVEY — STAR TIP

Ernst Blofeld 2.20 Modern Style
Okeechobee (trb) 2.55 Okeechobee
Sky Safari 3.30 Atlantis Blue
Supreme King 4.05 Ahlain
Coup De Force 4.40 Cypriot Diaspora
Hoodie Hoo 5.15 Keybaar
Haazeez 5.50 Sheriff's Court
Believitanducan 6.20 French Martini

JACKPOT AND PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

STARFORM **COUP DE FORCE** 6-5fav (9-4) Chased leaders, led over 1f out, edged left, stayed on well, won at Southwell 6f fll hcp 0-80 (4) in Nov beating Daytona Lady (9-2) by nk, 8 ran.

Hierarchy 13-2 (9-5) Slowly into stride, off the pace in rear, ridden and headway near side of group over 1f out, ran on inside final furlong, took 2nd final stride, no chance with winner, 2nd of 8, 2l behind Kats Bob (9-0) at Southwell 6f hcp 0-75 (5) in Mar.

Cypriot Diaspora 9-2 (9-8) Close up, pressed leader over 2f out, soon pushed along, ran on well, not match winner, 2nd of 8, 4l behind Pop Star (9-10) at Bath 6f hcap (5) sft in Oct.

Rebel Path 14-1 (8-8) Mounted in chute, soon prominent on outer, led after 2 furlongs, ridden over 1f out, headed over 110 yards out, no extra closing stages, 3rd of 9, 1 1/2l behind Jungle Land (9-0) at Wolverhampton 6f hcp 0-85 (4) in Mar.

STARFORM: COUP DE FORCE **DANGER:** Hierarchy

5.15 VIRGIN BET FIVES NOVICE STAKES (DIV 1)
Class 5 6f (12 runners) £4,320

1 (1) 1- **STUDY UP (268)(D,G)(H)** C Cox 4 10 8 .... **D Probert** 71
2 (8) 3-1 **HOODIE HOO (38)(D,A)** C Hills 3 9 11 .... **Jason Watson** 69
3 (3) L-0 **ALMIZAN (14)** M Usher 4 9 10 .... **R Clutterbuck** 39
4 (5) **KEYBAAR** W Haggas 3 9 4 .... **C Fallon** –
5 (7) 4-0 **PALMARIAN (22)(BF)(H*)** J & T Gosden 3 9 4 .... **W Buick** ★75
6 (6) 520- **REDDEEF (154)(P)** C Fellowes 3 9 4 .... **K Shoemark** 71
7 (12) **SPRINTER** R Spencer 3 9 4 .... **H Doyle** –
8 (11) **TEARDROPS** R Spencer 3 9 4 .... **O Murphy** –
9 (2) 3 **TOPWARRIOR (38)** R Beckett 3 9 4 .... **Rossa Ryan** 57
10 (4) 5 **LOKMA (37)** Ollie Sangster 3 8 13 .... **T Whelan** 62
11 (10) 4- **SILVER WRAITH (269)** E Lavelle 3 8 13 .... **H Crouch** 69
12 (9) 5 **WESTINGTON HOUSE (26)** R Hannon 3 8 13 **Alec Voikhansky (3)** 42

Star Betting: 5-2 Study Up, 7-2 Hoodie Hoo, 4 Palmarian, 5 Keybaar, 8 Teardrops, 14 Reddeef, 20 others.
2024: No corresponding race.
STARFORM: STUDY UP **DANGER:** Hoodie Hoo

5.50 VIRGIN BET FIVES NOVICE STAKES (DIV 2)
Class 5 6f (11 runners) £4,320

1 (10) 1- **SHERIFF'S COURT (206)(D,S)** Sir M Prescott 4 10 8 .... **Dylan Hogan** –
2 (8) L1- **CHILLY BREEZE (366)(S)** P Evans 3 9 9 .... **O Murphy** 66
3 (1) **ATMOSPHERE** R Spencer 3 9 4 .... **N Callan** –
4 (3) **DR STRANGELOVE** P & O Cole 3 9 4 .... **Billy Loughnane** –
5 (2) 320- **FORT AUGUSTUS (180)(BF)** C Hills 3 9 4 .... **Jason Watson** ★73
6 (6) 265- **HAAZEEZ (213)** C Fellowes 3 9 4 .... **K Shoemark** 68
7 (4) 54- **LAZZAR (220)** R Hughes 3 9 4 .... **F Marsh** 72
8 (11) 3 **NACHO NACHO NACHO (12)** J Osborne 3 9 4 .... **S Osborne** 62
9 (7) U- **PANTANI (276)** C Cox 3 9 4 .... **H Crouch** –
10 (5) **RAPPER'S DELIGHT** R Spencer 3 9 4 .... **C Bishop** –
11 (9) **MISS CHESTER** M Usher 3 8 13 .... **R Clutterbuck** –

Star Betting: 7-2 Fort Augustus, 9-2 Lazzar, 5 Haazeez, Chilly Breeze, 6 Sheriff's Court, 8 Nacho Nacho Nacho, 14 others.
STARFORM: FORT AUGUSTUS **DANGER:** Sheriff's Court

6.20 VIRGIN BET HANDICAP
Class 5 2m (10 runners) £4,187

1 (7) -001 **CINNODIN (14)(CD2,D,A,S)(B)** R Hughes 5 10 0 .... **F Marsh** 77
2 (9) 62-1 **GREY FOX (26)(CD,A,G)(T)** E Lavelle 8 9 11 .... **D Probert** 75
3 (3) L42R **TRADESMAN (38)(D2,A)(B)** D M Simcock 6 9 11 **Taryn Langley (7)** ★79
4 (2) -14L **MOEL ARTHUR (51)(D,A)(T)** B Johnson 7 9 9 .... **C Shepherd** 77
5 (1) 0-24 **ORCHESTRA (54)(BF,S)(P,T)** F O'Brien 5 9 9 .... **K Shoemark** 78
6 (8) 221- **BELIEVITANDUCAN (J42)(D,S)** A King 4 9 8 .... **Rossa Ryan** 74
7 (4) 25-5 **LEGACY POWER (26)(BF,CD,A)** A Balding 5 9 8 .... **O Murphy** 71
8 (5) 3162 **ALEX THE GREAT (21)(CD,D,A)(T)** A Carroll 5 9 4 .... **D Muscutt** 77
9 (6) 241- **FRENCH MARTINI (182)(S)(H,T)** G & J Moore 5 8 13 **Ashley Lewis (7)** 77
10 (10) 115- **BLENHEIM LAD (160)(BF,A)** C Poulton 5 8 12 .... **K O'Neill** 76

Star Betting: 11-4 Cinnodin, 4 Grey Fox, 5 Believitanducan, 11-2 Legacy Power, 8 French Martini, 10 Alex The Great, 12 others.
STARFORM: GREY FOX **DANGER:** Cinnodin

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FAIRYHOUSE Racing TV ITV4: FOUR RACES LIVE FROM 3.15 TO 5.00

GOING: SOFT TO HEAVY

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

2.05 FARMHOUSE FOODS NOVICE H'CAP HURDLE
(9 flights) 2m (19 runners) €9,917

1 -641 ARCH EMPIRE (10)(G) G Elliott 5 11 12 .... Mr J H Williamson (7) 119
2 3321 WHIMSY (F23)(D,S) A McCann 6 11 12 .... O R Brown (5) 124
3 31L0 MAJOR BARRY (227)(G) P Kiely 7 11 10 .... N F Houlihan 126
4 513 WONLEG (162)(D) H De Bromhead 5 11 10 .... Rachael Blackmore 119
5 0616 PUTAPOUNDINTHEJAR (51)(T) A J Martin 5 11 9 .... C Stone-Walsh (3) 117
6 322U KOOL ONE (41) Conor Maxwell 4 11 4 .... I Ryan (7) 118
7 100F STUNTMAN STEVE (92)(D,G) G Cromwell 6 11 3 ..... K M Donoghue 122
8 5413 SOLSBURY HILL (35)(D) C O'Dwyer 6 11 2 .... C G O'Dwyer (5) 125
9 1400 LAST KINGDOM (60)(S) W P Mullins 4 10 13 .... M P Walsh 103
10 0312 KING IN LOVE (18)(BF,D,S)(H) S Aherne 5 10 11 .... S O'Keeffe 125
11 4234 AUREA FORTUNA (15)(T) A J Martin 6 10 8 .... K Sexton 125
12 -012 CHOSEN DIAMOND (51)(C,S)(P) E Cawley 9 10 7 .... P Byrnes ★129
13 4510 DUTY BOUND (199) J P Flavin 6 10 7 .... A Harvey (5) 125
14 45P1 KAPTAIN BAY (9)(G)(T) N Meade 4 10 7 .... D Meyler 118
15 -453 CATCHABIRD (30)(H) Sarah Connell 7 10 5 .... Aidan Kelly (5) 125
16 504U READ TO RETURN (11)(T) A J Martin 8 10 4 .... D King 124
17 0340 ABOY JOEY (44)(P) E McCarthy 6 10 2 .... S D Torrens 123
18 0066 TEDS CORNER (29)(T) A J Martin 5 10 0 .... P T Enright 116
19 P000 WESTON (F36)(T*) H Rogers 6 10 0 .... C P McNamara 106

LONG HANDICAP: Teds Corner 9-13, Weston 9-13.

Star Betting: 9-2 Whimsy, 11-2 Arch Empire, 13-2 Wonleg, 15-2 Last Kingdom, 8 King In Love, 10 others.

2024: Implicit 6 11 5, Paul Townend 9-2 (W P Mullins), 18 ran.

STARFORM: ARCH EMPIRE **DANGER:** Wonleg

2.40 O'DRISCOLL'S JUVENILE HURDLE (GRADE 2)
(9 flights) 4YO 2m (7 runners) €19,835

1 1P BLUE LEMONS (38)(D,S) W P Mullins 11 0 .... P Townend 134
2 3231 EPHESUS (20)(G)(T) D Hogan 11 0 .... D King 134
3 24P3 HOLY SEE (10)(P) W Durkan 11 0 .... P Byrnes 129
4 -152 ITS BILBO (39)(BF,S) H De Bromhead 11 0 .... Rachael Blackmore 138
5 U135 MESSERSCHMITT (113)(D) N Meade 11 0 .... K Sexton 135
6 1065 WENDROCK (18)(D) G Elliott 11 0 .... S Ewing ★145
7 1 PREPARATIONS (11)(D,G) A Slattery 10 7 .... C M Quirke 134

Star Betting: 5-2 Wendrock, 10-3 Its Bilbo, 7-2 Blue Lemons, 7 Preparations, 15-2 Messerschmitt, 8 Ephesus, 14 Holy See.

2024: Bottler'secret 11 3, Keith Donoghue 4-1 (G Cromwell), 8 ran.

STARFORM: BLUE LEMONS **DANGER:** Its Bilbo

3.15 FAIRYHOUSE STEEL HANDICAP HURDLE (0-140)
(12 flights) 2m 6f (17 runners) €12,893

1 -411 FARMERS LODGE (111)(C,S) B Connell 9 11 12 .... S W Flanagan 137
2 2313 OSCARS BROTHER (135)(BF,G,S) Connor King 7 11 12 .... D King 141
3 1410 WIN SOME LOSE SOME (39) P Roche 6 11 12 .... Aidan Kelly (5) 135
4 0630 LUCKY LYREEN (39)(C,S) G Elliott 7 11 8 .... F Brickley (7) 140
5 1321 CLODDERS DREAM (291) G Elliott 7 11 5 .... S Ewing 135
6 6000 EAGLES REIGN (57)(S)(B) R O'Sullivan 5 11 4 .... T P Harney (7) 130
7 1200 MORDOR (F13)(G) G Elliott 5 11 3 .... D Gilligan 139
8 5222 COME WALK WITH ME (43)(T) E Cawley 6 11 2 .... E Walsh 134
9 610P GLEN KILN (58)(BF,S) D H Kelly 6 11 1 .... C M Quirke (3) 137
10 31-L ARION SOLDIER (176)(S) Eamon Courtney 7 11 0 .... R A Doyle –
11 -1PL MYWAYOFTHINKIN (84)(T) G Cromwell 6 11 0 .... M P Walsh 136
12 P-3P ANGOSTURA (35)(S) G Elliott 6 10 11 .... J Gainford 102
13 0-00 REDSTONE (15)(C,S) H Rogers 7 10 11 .... K Buckley 81
14 -100 HAMSIYANN (17)(G)(T) A J Martin 5 10 8 .... Rachael Blackmore 135
15 12P6 IDEFIX DE CIERGUES (31)(G,S)(P) R Curtis (UK) 7 10 6 ... S Bowen 139
16 3200 TRANQUIL SEA (88)(P*,T*) P Nolan 5 10 4 .... C Stone-Walsh (3) ★142
17 L0LP PETIT KING (65)(S)(P) E Cawley 9 10 3 .... P T Enright 85

Star Betting: 4 Farmers Lodge, 13-2 Oscars Brother, 7 Clodders Dream, 8 Mywayofthinkin, Come Walk With Me, 12 others.

2024: Whatcouldhavebeen 6 11 7, A P Kelly(5) 14-1 (J P Fahey), 8 ran.

STARFORM: FARMERS LODGE **DGR:** Oscars Brother

3.50 RATHBARRY & GLENVIEW HURDLE (GRADE 2)
(11 flights) 2m 4f (12 runners) €29,752

1 3L2400 BEACON EDGE (17)(G,S)(B)
G Elliott 11 11 8 .... S Bowen 151

2 LL461P MAXXUM (40)(S)
G Elliott 8 11 8 .... D Gilligan 156

3 32-102 KOPECK DE MEE (17)(S)
W P Mullins 5 11 6 ...... M P Walsh 151

4 -32325 COLONEL MUSTARD (40)(S)
L Fowler 10 11 3 .... J J Slevin 159

5 -12300 EAGLE FANG (40)(S)(B*)
W Durkan 5 11 3 .... P Byrnes 154

6 -42440 SANDOR CLEGANE (40)(D)(T)
P Nolan 8 11 3 .... S W Flanagan 156

7 /6114- SPREAD BOSS TED (402)(CD,G,S)
W P Mullins 8 11 3 ..... D E Mullins –

8 P265L0 STAFFORDSHIRE KNOT (40)(S)(B)
G Elliott 7 11 3 .... S Ewing 152

9 5-1220 KALA CONTI (41)(S)
G Elliott 5 11 1 .... J Gainford 154

10 /14-04 LANTRY LADY (106)(BF,S)(T)
H De Bromhead 7 10 13 D J O'Keeffe 139

11 -13334 FEET OF A DANCER (39)(CD,D,G,S)
P Nolan 6 10 10 .... S O'Keeffe 154

12 36-23F GALA MARCEAU (41)(S)(H)
W P Mullins 6 10 10 .... P Townend ★163

Star Betting: 3 Kopeck De Mee, 11-2 Gala Marceau, 7 Kala Conti, 8 Sandor Clegane, Colonel Mustard, 10 others.

2024: Brewin'upastorm 11 11 8, Jack Kennedy 5-1 (O Murphy), 4 ran.

STARFORM: KOPECK DE MEE **DANGER:** Kala Conti

4.20 JACK MCINERNEY FAIRYHOUSE CHASE (GR2)
(13 fences) 2m 4f (8 runners) €49,587

1 1-11PL FOUND A FIFTY (40)(D2,G,S)
G Elliott 8 12 0 .... S Ewing 164

2 L120LU ASH TREE MEADOW (17)(D4,G,S)(T)
G Elliott 9 11 10 .... D Gilligan 164

3 1-063L JOURNEY WITH ME (65)(CD,D2,S)(T)
H De Bromhead 9 11 10 D J O'Keeffe 156

4 211122 SAINT SAM (65)(BF,C,D2,G,S)(H)
W P Mullins 8 11 10 ... D E Mullins 166

5 213-P3 BLOOD DESTINY (92)(BF,D,S)(T)
W P Mullins 6 11 7 ...... P Townend 160

6 3-1242 HEART WOOD (39)(S)
H De Bromhead 7 11 4 Rachael Blackmore ★177

7 00-LL3 KILCRUIT (37)(S)
W P Mullins 10 11 4 .... S O'Keeffe 148

8 266621 REBEL GOLD (17)(C,G,S)(T)
P T Foley 12 11 4 ...... S D Torrens 154

Star Betting: 11-8 Heart Wood, 5 Found A Fifty, Blood Destiny, 6 Saint Sam, 7 Journey With Me, 14 others.

2024: Journey With Me 8 11 7, Darragh O'Keeffe 4-1 (H De Bromhead), 6 ran.

STARFORM: HEART WOOD **DANGER:** Found A Fifty

5.00 IRISH GRAND NATIONAL CHASE (H'CAP) (G3)
(24 fences) 3m 5f (33 runners) €227,273

1 -31213 BETTER DAYS AHEAD (40)(S)(T)
G Elliott 7 11 12 ... Mr R James (7) 156

2 1-31UB QUAI DE BOURBON (17)(S)
W P Mullins 6 11 6 ...... P Townend 153

3 -133L2 JOHNNYWHO (39)(BF,G,S)(T)
J & A O'Neill (UK) 8 11 4 ... Mr D O'Connor 161

4 1P-122 BIOLUMINESCENCE (58)(S)
G Cromwell 7 11 3 K M Donoghue 156

5 50/512 HARRY DES ONGRAIS (29)(S)
H De Bromhead 8 11 3 Rachael Blackmore 153

6 52PLBU DUFFLE COAT (16)(G)(P)
G Elliott 8 11 2 .... A Harvey (5) 147

7 1-0331 FAVORI DE CHAMPDOU (35)(G,S)(B*)
G Elliott 10 11 1 .... D Gilligan 151

8 -12300 SEARCH FOR GLORY (41)(S)(P,T)
G Elliott 8 11 1 .... S Ewing 159

9 L4L120 SEQUESTERED (41)(G,S)
P Gilligan 7 11 1 Jack G Gilligan (5) 156

10 -P4300 DESERTMORE HOUSE (79)(G,S)(T)
M Brassil 10 11 0 .... J J Slevin 153

11 54-323 MALINA GIRL (41)(C,D,G,S)
G Cromwell 8 11 0 .. S W Flanagan 159

12 40-003 PANDA BOY (43)(G,S)
M Brassil 9 11 0 .... R A Doyle 152

13 0-34U0 YEAH MAN (39)(S)(B*)
G Cromwell 8 11 0 .... K Buckley 156

14 -21131 HAITI COULEURS (41)(G,S)
R Curtis (UK) 8 10 13 .... S Bowen 159

15 2-654F NOW IS THE HOUR (41)(S)
G Cromwell 8 10 13 C Stone-Walsh (3) 155

16 111L33 SHECOULDBEANYTHING (38)(G,S)(T)
G Elliott 8 10 13 .... J Gainford 156

17 -21513 SA MAJESTE (39)(C,S)
W P Mullins 7 10 12 .. S D Torrens 158

18 602-45 ANY SECOND NOW (43)(C,G,S)(B)
T M Walsh 13 10 11 .... M P Walsh 148

19 460/4P LORD LARIAT (58)(CD,C2,G,S)(P,T)
D A McLoughlin 10 10 10 P J O'Hanlon –

20 15310P STUZZIKINI (41)(G,S)(B)
G Elliott 7 10 10 Gavin Brouder (3) 155

21 -530L0 TULLYBEG (240)(G)(T)
G Elliott 10 10 10 .... DOUBTFUL 158

22 5P-331 DAILY PRESENT (39)(G,S)(B,T)
P Nolan 8 10 9 .... Aidan Kelly (5) 160

23 -3003U MINT BOY (39)(S)
G Cromwell 7 10 9 .... K Sexton 151

24 PP-P11 DUNBOYNE (22)(D,G,S)
Ian Donoghue (8lb ex) 10 10 7 D Meyler 161

25 L0L632 FINAL ORDERS (22)(G,S)
G Cromwell 9 10 7 P M O'Brien (7) ★169

26 -3L22U KINTURK KALANISI (43)(S)
T Gibney 7 10 7 .... D J O'Keeffe 162

27 31-5P1 BUSHMANS PASS (43)(C,S)(P)
O McKiernan 9 10 5 ... P T Enright 153

28 3F20U5 MOONOVERCLOON (187)(G)
M J Smith 8 10 5 .... B W Harvey 158

29 4114FB HASTHING (9)(G,S)(P)
J & A O'Neill (UK) 8 10 4 .... DOUBTFUL

30 -20331 NOBLE BIRTH (100)(C,G,S)(T)
G Cromwell 8 10 4 .... D King 153

31 044202 ANOTHER CHOICE (141)(G)
M J Smith 8 10 4 .... S O'Keeffe 158

32 325623 WILL DO (41)(S)(B)
G Elliott 8 10 3 .... H E Sexton (7) 161

33 505021 CANAL END (30)(S)
Peter Fahey 7 10 1 ..... DOUBTFUL

Star Betting: 5 Now Is The Hour, 6 Haiti Couleurs, 10 Johnnywho, Bioluminescence, Better Days Ahead, Kinturk Kalanisi, 12 Daily Present, Quai De Bourbon, 14 others.

2024: Intense Raffles 6 11 4, J J Slevin 13-2 (T Gibney), 20 ran.

STARFORM **JOHNNYWHO** 9-2fav (11-10) Chased leaders early, settled in touch behind leaders, closed on inside 17th, led before 2 out, slowed into last and not fluent, headed flat, stayed on, 2nd of 23, nk behind Daily Present (10-7) at Cheltenham 3m 2f amat hcap ch (2) gs in Mar.

Quai De Bourbon 9-2 (11-7) Held up towards rear, brought down 14th, in a race won by Caldwell Potter (11-7) at Aintree 3m 1f nov chs G1 (1) gs, 7 ran.

Now Is The Hour 6-1 (11-8) Held up towards rear, headway before 4 out, 3rd and ridden after 3 out, went 2 lengths 2nd when fell 2 out, in a race won by Haiti Couleurs (11-4) at Cheltenham 3m 6f nov hcp chs 0-145 (2) gs in Mar, 18 ran.

Haiti Couleurs 7-2fav (11-4) Chased leaders, went 2nd before 4th, led before not fluent 6th, headed 8th, hit 16th, led 3 out, jumped left, stayed on well flat, won at Cheltenham 3m 6f nov hcp chs 0-145 (2) gs in Mar beating Rock My Way (11-1) by 4 1/2l, 18 ran.

Better Days Ahead 13-2 (11-7) Prominent, ridden after 2 out, no impression on winner and narrowly lost 2nd flat, kept on, 3rd of 7, 4 1/2l behind Lecky Watson (11-7) at Cheltenham 3m nov chs G1 (1) gs in Mar.

STARFORM: JOHNNYWHO **DANGER:** Quai De Bourbon

5.40 ENVIROGREEN BUILDING HANDICAP CHASE
(18 fences) 3m 1f (13 runners) €12,893

1 1PLL SHANNON ROYALE (29)(S)(B) G Elliott 7 11 12 .... Mr R James (7) 137
2 F-21 FOLLY MASTER (111)(S) Tom Dreaper 7 11 3 .... K M Donoghue 141
3 0L00 MACS CHARM (60)(CD,S)(P) Colm Murphy 10 11 3 .... B Hayes 129
4 406P CLEATUS POOLAW (39)(S)(P) G Elliott 7 11 2 .... S Ewing 140
5 L-6P PATS FANCY (39)(S) R Curtis (UK) 10 10 12 .... S Bowen 120
6 U000 BATTLE IT OUT (43)(S) C O'Dwyer 7 10 11 .... C G O'Dwyer (5) 140
7 -206 BETTER TIMES AHEAD (43)(S) R Tyner 8 10 11 .... M P Walsh ★147
8 4422 UNION STATION (50)(BF) G Cromwell 6 10 11 .... C Stone-Walsh (3) 142
9 -006 WHERE'S FRANKIE (72)(CD,C,S)(P*) K Thornton 9 10 7 .... D Meyler 116
10 UU00 STORMY JUDGE (22)(S)(P) P A Fahy 10 10 6 .... H E Sexton (7) 133
11 LL5P STREET VALUE (43)(C,S)(T) J P Flavin 10 10 5 .... A Harvey (5) 141
12 -2FP SALMANINO (71)(S) Liz Doyle 9 10 3 .... S O'Keeffe 145
13 0-20 ROLLY BOWLEY BOY (94)(BF,S)(P) P J Rothwell 8 10 1 S D Torrens 144

Star Betting: 3 Folly Master, 7-2 Union Station, 13-2 Better Times Ahead, 8 Shannon Royale, 10 Rolly Bowley Boy, 12 others.

2024: Macdermott 6 11 1, Danny Mullins 5-1 (W P Mullins), 9 ran.

STARFORM: BETTER TIMES AHEAD **DGR:** Folly Master

6.10 LEINSTER REINFORCEMENTS (PRO/AM) FLAT
2m (9 runners) €9,917

1 011 I'LL SORT THAT (57)(CD,D,S) D Queally 5 12 0 .... Mr D L Queally 111
2 1-03 SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY (40)(D2,S) T Cooper 5 12 0 .. Mr F Maguire ★121
3 5-1 CAMBERWELL (141)(S) J McConnell 5 11 11 ..... Mr F R Buckley (7) 99
4 11 KOVANIS (114)(D) G Elliott 5 11 11 .... Mr J H Williamson (7) 111
5 1220 SORTUDO (40)(D) W P Mullins 5 11 11 .... Mr P W Mullins 120
6 33-4 JACKMOON (353)(T) J P Flavin 6 11 7 .... Miss A B O'Connor 108
7 TAMBERIAN Conor Maxwell 5 11 7 .... I Ryan (7) –
8 -023 THE NIGHT AGENT (53) D E Fitzgerald 7 11 7 .... Mr R W Barron (5) 113
9 QUESTION PIEGE L Fowler 5 11 0 .... T P Harney (7) –

Star Betting: 9-4 Shuttle Diplomacy, 10-3 Sortudo, 7-2 Kovanis, 5 I'll Sort That, 10 Question Piege, The Night Agent, 12 Camberwell, 16 Jackmoon, 50 Tamberian.

2024: Redemption Day 7 11 11, Miss J Townend 2-1 JtFav (W P Mullins), 7 ran.

STARFORM: SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY **DANGER:** Sortudo

JASON HEAVEY / STAR TIP (Fairyhouse)

JASON HEAVEY		STAR TIP
Chosen Diamond	2.05	Whimsy
Preparations	2.40	Wendrock
Clodders Dream	3.15	Farmers Lodge
Kopeck De Mee	3.50	Feet Of A Dancer
Heart Wood	4.20	Heart Wood
Bioluminescence	5.00	Haiti Couleurs (nap)
Union Station	5.40	Folly Master
Kovanis	6.10	Shuttle Diplomacy

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JASON HEAVEY		STAR TIP
Very Mindful	1.35	Love Olivia
Billy Bathgate	2.10	Starfighter
Synergism	2.45	Ballarat Bertie
Psychodrama	3.20	Dark Sorceress
Gustav Graves	3.55	Reigning Profit
Mudlahhim	4.30	Bod Suitor
Embarked	5.05	River Wharfe
Strategic Fortune	5.45	Danehill Star

GOING: STANDARD sky sports racing

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

1.35 EVENING RACING APRIL-JUNE MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES
Class 4 2YO 5f (6 runners) £6,480

1 (2) ACCEPTANCE E Walker 9 2 .... G Downing –
2 (5) COUL JANE P Evans 9 2 .... Jordan Williams (5) –
3 (6) LOVE OLIVIA K R Burke 9 2 .... C Lee –
4 (4) REDDITIZIO J S Moore 9 2 .... Georgia Dobie –
5 (3) 4 SENORITA VEGA (17) T Dascombe 9 2 .... DOUBTFUL
6 (1) 2 VERY MINDFUL (12) A Watson 9 2 .... L Morris ★76

Star Betting: 13-8 Love Olivia, 7-4 Very Mindful, 3 Acceptance, 10 Coul Jane, 66 Redditizio.

2024: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: VERY MINDFUL **DANGER:** Love Olivia

2.10 ADVANCE PRICE MIDWEEK RACING FOR 10 HANDICAP
Class 6 1m 4f (12 runners) £5,234

1 (7) 40-5362 BOASTY (16)(C,A)(V) I Furtado 8 9 9 .... Mark Winn 69
2 (1) -022216 MOON OVER THE SEA (2)(CD2,C3,A,S) A Carroll 6 9 7 .... L Morris 67
3 (4) 62-L560 PYSANKA (34)(CD4,A)(P) M Loughnane 6 9 7 .... E Greatrex 68
4 (12) 4443-43 BELLA VENETA (30)(S) T Faulkner 6 9 7 .... R Havlin ★71
5 (9) -131256 STARFIGHTER (17)(CD4,C,A,G) M Loughnane 9 9 6 .... R Dawson 68
6 (5) /0LL6L- MOHAVE DANCER (235) Mrs Stella Barclay 4 9 6 .... S Donohoe 52
7 (11) 26154-4 SEA OF CHARM (11)(CD2,A)(B) G Nicholls 7 9 4 .... W Cox 70
8 (8) 230/42- NEVENDON (J154)(T) Alexandra Dunn 8 9 2 .... Warren Fentiman (5) 69
9 (2) 000-615 PRINCE HECTOR (30)(CD,C2,A)(P) J Bedi 7 8 13 ... Tom Kiely-Marshall (5) 66
10 (6) 1652022 TWO PLUS TWO (16)(C,A)(B) E De Giles 5 8 12 .... D Keenan 69
11 (3) 2356-05 BILLY BATHGATE (31)(G) Ewan Whillans 9 8 11 .... C Lee 68
12 (10) -243250 WALK THE MOON (20) A Carroll 5 8 10 .... Jack Doughty (3) 69

Star Betting: 7-2 Moon Over The Sea, 6 Two Plus Two, Boasty, Nevendon, 10 Starfighter, Bella Veneta, Sea Of Charm, 12 Billy Bathgate, Prince Hector, 14 others.

2024: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: MOON OVER THE SEA **DANGER:** Walk The Moon

2.45 FREE DIGITAL RACECARD AT RACEDAY-READY.COM H'CAP
Class 6 3YO 1m 1f 104yds (8 runners) £5,234

1 (6) 0-0L LADY MARY (30) G Scott 9 9 .... Liam Wright (5) 61
2 (7) 05-5 WHAT A NATION (108) Alice Haynes 9 9 .... C Howarth (3) 64
3 (1) 035L-0 CALIBOS (16)(T*) D & C Kubler 9 8 .... Warren Fentiman (5) ★68
4 (3) 0LL- SYNERGISM (177) Sir M Prescott 9 6 .... L Morris 62
5 (5) 2-45653 SWEET CICELY (23) R Fahey 9 4 .... Ethan Tindall (7) 64
6 (2) 050- CAPTIOUS CANTOR (114) E Dunlop 9 4 .... R Dawson 61
7 (4) 0-63 ELECTRIC BASS (87)(H) R Teal 9 3 .... L Edmunds 63
8 (8) L-44415 BALLARAT BERTIE (13)(BF,CD,A)(B) R Hughes 8 11 .... C Lee 66

Star Betting: 7-2 Sweet Cicely, 4 Synergism, Ballarat Bertie, 13-2 Electric Bass, 7 What A Nation, 8 Captious Cantor, 10 Lady Mary, Calibos.

2024: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: SWEET CICELY **DANGER:** Ballarat Bertie

3.20 INSIDE TRACK WITH RACEDAY-READY.COM FILLIES' H'CAP
Class 5 6f (9 runners) £6,281

1 (9) 66-1643 COURT DRIVE (12)(BF,C,D,A) G Kelleway 4 10 2 .... A Pinna (7) ★71
2 (3) -33L330 GOGO YUBARI (20)(CD,C,D,A) A Carroll 4 10 0 .... Jack Doughty (3) 68
3 (1) L32200- SAFANAH (123) R Fahey 4 9 11 .... Warren Fentiman (5) 69
4 (4) 56-0540 FOUR ADAAY (12)(D,A,G,S) B Millman 7 9 10 .... L Edmunds 70
5 (7) 5442204 AUTUMN ANGEL (14)(CD2,D2,A,G)(B) A Carroll 6 9 6 .... Molly Gunn (7) 68
6 (2) 0041- ROGUE DANCER (182)(D,A) Jack Jones 3 9 6 .... L Morris 63
7 (8) -420501 PSYCHODRAMA (12)(D,A)(H) Raphael Freire 3 9 1 .... C Lee 69
8 (6) 540-041 ELLAND ROAD GIRL (17)(D,G)(T) M Murphy 3 8 10 .... Alfie Redman (7) 67
9 (5) 2L562-1 DARK SORCERESS (25)(D,A) C Hobson 3 8 7 .... Georgia Dobie 64

Star Betting: 4 Dark Sorceress, 9-2 Court Drive, Psychodrama, 6 Elland Road Girl, Rogue Dancer, Autumn Angel, 12 Four Adaay, 14 Safanah, 16 Gogo Yubari.

2024: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: AUTUMN ANGEL **DANGER:** Four Adaay

3.55 TIPS FOR EVERY RACE AT RACEDAY-READY.COM HANDICAP
Class 5 5f (7 runners) £6,281

1 (4) 3011111 MIDNIGHTATTHEOASIS (11)(CD,D4,A)(P) P McEntee 5 9 9 .... L Morris 75
2 (5) 000-532 REIGNING PROFIT (7)(CD2,D4,A,G,S)(P) R Carr 6 9 8 .... JP Sullivan ★83
3 (6) 412L432 ROSENPUR (14)(CD2,A)(H) J Candlish 5 9 6 .... G Wood 78
4 (3) 44-3530 ACES WILD (3)(CD3,A) A Wintle 6 9 5 .... Warren Fentiman (5) 82
5 (1) -253021 RECON MISSION (11)(D5,A,G,S)(T) A Carroll 9 9 5 .... Jack Doughty (3) 75
6 (7) 5533201 BURABACK (18)(CD2,C2,D3,A,S) D Shaw 6 9 0 .... L Edmunds 81
7 (2) 20L5204 GUSTAV GRAVES (14)(CD5,C,D2,A,G) D Shaw 7 8 11 .... C Lee 81

Star Betting: 5-2 Midnightattheoasis, 4 Recon Mission, 5 Reigning Profit, Buraback, 6 Rosenpur, 8 Gustav Graves, 12 Aces Wild.

2024: Jojo Rabbit 6 9 5, James Sullivan 11-2 (R Carr), drawn (4), 8 ran.

STARFORM: ROSENPUR **DANGER:** Recon Mission

4.30 RACECOURSE APP RACEDAY READY HANDICAP (DIV 1)
Class 6 7f (12 runners) £5,234

1 (2) 223-212 BOLD SUITOR (14)(BF,CD,D,A)(B) Craig Benton 8 9 9 .... Georgia Dobie 64
2 (7) 2120014 MONSIEUR FANTAISIE (9)(C,D2,A)(P) P Niven 7 9 9 .... C Horgan (5) 65
3 (10) 5400120 RAVENGLASS (25)(CD,C,A,G)(B) A Wintle 6 9 8 .... G Wood 67
4 (9) 3254112 FISTRAL BEACH (19)(D2,A) J Mackie 4 9 7 .... C Lee 66
5 (1) 4D65-04 MUDLAHHIM (9)(CD2,D2,A) S Dixon 9 9 7 .... Mikkel Mortensen (5) 60
6 (3) 6-05260 SAM'S HOPE (19)(D,A)(T,V) A Carroll 5 9 5 .... W Carson 65
7 (5) 0L0-L00 AMERICAN STAR (12)(D2,S)(P) R Carr 6 9 4 .... JP Sullivan 59
8 (6) 5412524 COCONUT BAY (12)(BF,CD2,D,A,G) T Davidson 6 9 4 Millie Wonnacott (5) 64
9 (12) 00-4160 OUTREACH (28)(CD3,A)(P) M Usher 5 9 2 .... G Bass 64
10 (11) 0265303 BERNIE THE BEAR (32)(CD,C,A)(P) Miss L Perratt 5 9 0 .... Kaiya Fraser (3) 63
11 (8) 0L430-6 BLUE JAY WAY (25)(P) J Riches 5 9 0 .... Ethan Tindall (7) ★68
12 (4) 55/66-0 MARISITTA (35) J G O'Shea 5 9 0 .... L Morris 61

LONG HANDICAP: Marisitta 8-13.

Star Betting: 3 Bold Suitor, 7-2 Fistral Beach, 8 Ravenglass, Coconut Bay, Monsieur Fantaisie, 10 Mudlahhim, Bernie The Bear, 12 Sam's Hope, 16 others.

2024: Port Noir 7 8 12, David Probert 9-1 (R Stephens), drawn (5), 8 ran.

STARFORM: FISCAL BEACG **DANGER:** Bernie The Bear

5.05 RACECOURSE APP RACEDAY READY HANDICAP (DIV 2)
Class 6 7f (12 runners) £5,234

1 (7) 0052-00 GALEL (66) J Butler 4 9 9 .... L Edmunds ★67
2 (9) 1620406 RIVER WHARFE (14)(CD,C,D5,A,G)(V) A Carroll 7 9 8 .... Jack Doughty (3) 65
3 (12) 00-3315 HEERATHETRACK (19)(D2,A)(P) M Usher 6 9 8 .... T Heard 63
4 (3) -403610 TILL IT SHINES (34)(CD,A)(B) J S Moore 4 9 7 .... Tyrese Cameron (7) 62
5 (5) 4223324 MATCH ANTHEM (24)(BF,CD,D,A)(V) P Charalambous & J Clutterbuck 4 9 5
L Morris 66
6 (10) 3460024 EMBARKED (9)(CD,D2,A)(B) S Dixon 7 9 4 .... J Haynes 64
7 (8) 214L0-L LETTER OF THE LAW (35)(D,G,S) J G O'Shea 6 9 4 .... Gina Mangan 52
8 (4) 40/00-L LINCOLN'S INN (19)(H) M Herrington 4 9 4 .... B Sayette 57
9 (6) 526026- DIAMOND COTTAGE (219)(D4,G,S) M Saunders 8 9 1 .... W Carson 64
10 (1) -L0053L STOIC SYD (23)(A)(P,T) I Furtado 5 9 0 .... J Nason (3) 64
11 (2) 6540340 BALMY BREESE (17)(B) Sarah Hollinshead 5 9 0 .... R Havlin 63
12 (11) 5L00400 RED WALLS (25)(C5,A0) L Williamson 7 9 0 .... C Lee 63

LONG HANDICAP: Balmy Breese 8-13, Red Walls 8-13.

Star Betting: 3 Match Anthem, 7-2 Heerathetrack, 13-2 River Wharfe, 7 others.

2024: Powdering 4 9 4, David Probert 15-2 (M Herrington), drawn (1), 9 ran.

STARFORM: MATCH ANTHEM **DANGER:** River Wharfe

5.45 SKY SPORTS RACING SKY 415 HANDICAP
Class 6 1m 1f 104yds (11 runners) £5,234

1 (5) 5-12430 I CAN'T BELIEVE (20)(CD,A)(V) P Evans 4 9 9 .... Jordan Williams (5) 71
2 (11) 4-02421 STRATEGIC FORTUNE (14)(CD4,A)(P) J Butler 8 9 6 .... L Edmunds 68
3 (8) 3311244 CITY ESCAPE (16)(CD5,A,G,S)(B,E) M Loughnane 8 9 6 .... Warren Fentiman (5) ★72
4 (2) -0L0322 LIFE ON THE ROCKS (23)(BF,G,S)(V) R Fahey 7 9 4 .... O McSweeney (3) 68
5 (1) 0563L- STAR DELTA (240) D O'Meara 4 9 3 .... Mark Winn 66
6 (6) 551-544 RIVER ALWEN (14)(BF,A,G,S)(B) Craig Benton 7 9 3 .... Georgia Dobie 70
7 (10) 1601301 DANEHILL STAR (16)(CD,A)(V) A Carroll 4 9 3 .... Jack Doughty (3) 68
8 (9) 00-14R3 DESIDERATA (14)(BF,CD,A) T Faulkner 5 9 2 .... R Havlin 70
9 (4) 0L-6346 HERETIC (13)(A)(T) M Herrington 6 9 2 .... B Sayette 69
10 (7) -453033 PORT NOIR (14)(CD2,C4,A,G)(T) R Stephens 8 9 1 .... L Morris 69
11 (3) 00L0-0L TARJAMAH (16)(CD,A) Alexandra Dunn 5 9 0 .... T Heard 60

Star Betting: 9-2 Strategic Fortune, 5 Danehill Star, Life On The Rocks, 6 others.

2024: Mc'ted 6 9 9, Alice Bond(7) 16-1 (J Parr), drawn (7), 10 ran.

STARFORM: CITY ESCAPE **DANGER:** Strategic Fortune

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Stormin Crossgales	2.13	Champagnesuperover
Dambuster	2.48	Wind River
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Police Academy	3.58	Diamond Koda
Cloudy Wednesday	4.33	Ronnies Reflection
Eastern Shores	5.08	Claim Du Brizais

PLACEPOT FIRST SIX RACES

TRACKFACTS Left-handed undulating sharp track, 1m round, six fences and a run-in of 250yards. Course suits front-runners.

GOING: GOOD

2.13 BRUCE TOWERS & SONS CLAIMING CHASE
Class 4 (16 fences) 2m 5f (2 runners) £4,084

1 U3U1 CHAMPAGNESUPEROVER (57)(S)(T) O Murphy 10 12 0 .... Beau Morgan (5) 119
2 1PPL STORMIN CROSSGALES (26)(G,S) C & A Pogson 8 10 8 .... R T Dunne ★145

Star Betting: 1-4 Champagnesuperover, 3 Stormin Crossgales.

STARFORM: STORMIN CROSSGALES

2.48 FAIRFAX & FAVOR JUVENILE MAIDEN HURDLE
Class 4 (9 flights) 4YO 2m (7 run) £4,084

1 2 DAMBUSTER (23) O Murphy 11 2 .... K Brogan ★116
2 0P LIKE MAGIC (42)(T) M Young 11 2 .... Lee Edwards 80
3 L2L4 POPA RICH (7) J Bedi 11 2 .... A Anderson (3) 95
4 POTTERSMATTYEEEHAA (F168) M Crawley 11 2 .... J Quinlan –
5 35 UNDER THE SUN (50)(T*) G & J Moore 11 2 .... James Davies 101
6 WIND RIVER (F151)(T*) D Skelton 11 2 .... K Woods –
7 344 ZENATO (50)(T) F O'Brien 11 2 .... J J Burke 100

Star Betting: 6-4 Wind River, 2 Dambuster, 5 Under The Sun, 6 Zenato, 12 Popa Rich, 50 Pottersmattyeeehaa, 66 Like Magic.

2024: Camarrate 11 2, Brian Hughes 11-10 Fav (D McCain), 8 ran.

STARFORM: DAMBUSTER **DANGER:** Under The Sun

3.23 CECIL & SHEILA MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE
C5 (9 flights) 2m (7 runners) £4,489

1 3563 SAISISSANTE (26)(D,S)(P*,T) Noel Williams 5 12 0 .... James Davies ★98
2 2221 MILAJESS (18)(G)(B,T) M Hammond 8 11 9 .... J Thompson (7) 89
3 4P3 GRAECIA (27)(H) C Longsdon 4 11 5 .... Lilly Pinchin 88
4 L560 KENMYA (112) D Skelton 5 11 2 .... K Woods 76
5 LL32 SAWPIT SIENNA (19)(C2,D2,G,S)(T,V*) S Drinkwater 10 10 11
R T Dunne 90
6 64P2 AUNTIE MAGGIE (8) A Ralph 6 10 10 .... J J Burke 97
7 L56P HELLO SWEETY (35)(H*,T) S Edmunds 4 10 8 .... Lee Edwards 91

Star Betting: 9-4 Milajess, 3 Auntie Maggie, 9-2 Sawpit Sienna, 6 Saisissante, 7 Graecia, 8 Kenmya, 33 Hello Sweety.

2024: Glance At Me 6 11 2, James Martin(5) 7-2 (Andrew Martin), 7 ran.

STARFORM: MILAJESS **DANGER:** Sawpit Sienna

3.58 ALDISS 'CONFINED' HANDICAP HURDLE
C4 (11 flights) 2m 4f (5 runners) £6,601

1 2322 DIAMOND KODA (33) N Kent 6 11 8 .... T Broughton (5) 115
2 0256 POLICE ACADEMY (199)(D,G,S) F O'Brien 8 11 8 .. Mr B Sutton (5) ★116
3 62LL VICTORIA MILANO (53)(S)(P*) A Ralph 7 11 8 .... J J Burke 108
4 2L0P DOC MCCOY (24)(D,S)(P) J Snowden 7 11 4 .... G Sheehan –
5 002P REFORME (45) T R Gretton 6 11 2 .... R T Dunne 114

Star Betting: 5-4 Diamond Koda, 3 Police Academy, 5 Doc McCoy, 6 Victoria Milano, 8 Reforme.

2024: No corresponding race.

STARFORM: DIAMOND KODA **DANGER:** Police Academy

4.33 ALDISS HANDICAP CHASE
C5 (18 fences) 3m (6 runners) £4,489

1 6LP6 CALVIC (24)(G)(P) S Edmunds 9 12 0 .... Lee Edwards 96
2 LP2U TO BE SURE (15)(D,G,S)(P) E Williams 10 11 11 .... E Collier (5) 98
3 P141 RONNIES REFLECTION (55)(S)(T) B Case 7 11 6 .... J Quinlan 96
4 223L CLOUDY WEDNESDAY (6)(CD,C,G)(P) C Fryer 9 11 4 .. L Stones (3) ★100
5 L006 CHATEAU DU LYS (30)(T) T R Gretton 6 10 9 .... R T Dunne 83
6 5FP4 SCOTTSDALE (18)(G) P Winks 12 10 2 .... Ben Smith (7) 85

LONG HANDICAP: Scottsdale 9-11.

Star Betting: 6-4 Ronnies Reflection, 5-2 To Be Sure, 9-2 Calvic, 11-2 Cloudy Wednesday, 14 Scottsdale, 25 Chateau Du Lys.

2024: Cloudy Wednesday 8 10 8, L Stones(3) 5-2 Fav (C Fryer), 7 ran.

STARFORM: TO BE SURE **DANGER:** Calvic

5.08 MARES' OPEN MAIDEN NH FLAT RACE
Class 4 2m (9 runners) £2,995

1 2-33 CLAIM DU BRIZAIS (59)(BF)(T*) D Skelton 5 11 2 .... K Woods 107
2 S1- EASTERN SHORES (366)(T*) F O'Brien 5 11 2 .... J J Burke –
3 L INDIGO SKY (50) Dr R Newland & J Insole 5 11 2 .... L Scott (3) 21
4 2 JACK N JONES (15) J Snowden 6 11 2 .... G Sheehan ★108
5 0 LAPOINTE (321)(H) T Bulgin 6 11 2 .... R T Dunne 85
6 LAST NOTE N Littmoden 5 11 2 .... J Quinlan –
7 40 MISS TINKERBELL (25)(B) H Morrison 5 11 2 .... Lilly Pinchin 99
8 FOR LOVE OF BEAUTY(T*) D Killahena & G McPherson 4 10 8
N Slatter (3) –
9 MC'FLO(P*) A Carson 4 10 8 .... Lee Edwards –

Star Betting: 2 Jack N Jones, 5-2 Claim Du Brizais, 7-2 Eastern Shores, 8 Miss Tinkerbell, 14 Lapointe, 16 others.

2024: Star Walking 5 11 2, Brian Hughes 10-11 Fav (H Fry), 7 ran.

STARFORM: JACK N JONES **DANGER:** Claim Du Brizais

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IT MAKES SCENCE

Gavin's novice ready for National

BIOLUMINESCENCE (5.00) can give Gavin Cromwell more big-race glory in the Boyesports Irish Grand National.

The trainer, who won the Cheltenham Gold Cup with Inothewayurthinkin last month, can add the Fairyhouse feature to his tally carrying the same gold and green hooped colours of JP McManus.

After a Grade Two novice success on her chasing debut over Christmas, the seven-year-old was second behind Spindleberry last time, and the winner romped home in a Grade One at the same course yesterday.

In the first of the Irish ITV4 races, it's worth taking a punt with **CLODDERS DREAM (3.15)** in the Fairyhouse Steel Handicap Hurdle. One of four Gorden Elliott

by JASON HEAVEY

runners, he won a Tipperary handicap in fine style last summer, and while off the course for nine months, he always runs well when fresh.

KOPECK DE MEE (3.50) is hard to oppose in the Grade Two Rathbarry & Glenview Studs Hurdle. The Willie Mullins-trained French import just failed to catch Wellington Arch at Aintree 17 days ago.

HEART WOOD (4.20) can go one better in the Grade Two Jack McInerney Memorial Fairyhouse Chase, having followed the impressive Fact To File home in the Ryanair at Cheltenham. At Kempton, **OKEECHOBEE (2.55)** can make a successful return on his first run since beating Desert Hero in the Gordon Richards at Sandown 12 months ago, while **SKY STATION (3.30)** is expected to improve further after winning on her all-weather debut in October.

SUPREME KING (4.05) finished a fine second at Wolverhampton four weeks ago and is the handicap snip here, and despite a 168-day layoff **COUP DE FORCE (4.40)** is only 3lb higher for her third win in four starts for Stuart Kittow.

At Plumpton, **ASTA LA PASTA (2.35)** can keep trainer Dan Skelton ahead of Mullins in their trainers' title battle with victory in the BetGoodwin Sussex Champion Chase.

BIO SELECTA: Bioluminescence has the class to win the Irish National

Defiant Dan not given up

■ **by DAVID YATES**

DAN SKELTON vowed "I'm not giving up" – despite having seen his lead at the top of the trainers' table more than cut in half by Willie Mullins yesterday.

Skelton enjoyed a cushion of over £69,000 going into Plumpton's valuable Easter Sunday card, in which he saddled eight runners to Mullins' five.

The Irishman's 1-2 in the BetGoodwin Sussex Champion Hurdle – Absurde led home Daddy Longlegs, with stablemate Sir Gerhard sixth – knocked over £58,000 off Skelton's advantage.

But, after watching Shakeyatailfeather fight to victory in the BetGoodwin Top UK Online Bookie Handicap Chase, Skelton (*above*), who ended the day £27,877 on top, said: "I'm not giving up.

"We've got too many supporters that want us to do this, and they are enjoying the ride as much as we are."

TODAY'S ABC

C - Chepstow
F - Fakenham
K - Kempton
P - Plumpton
R - Redcar
W - Wolverhampton

Acceptance W 1.35
Aces Wild W 3.55
Aggagio P 4.55
Ahlain K 4.05
Al Muqdad R 3.40
Alex The Great K 6.20
All Authorized P 2.00
Almizan K 5.15
Alto Alto C 2.59
Ambion View P 3.45
American Star W 4.30
Ammes K 2.20
Andalseeyagraham R 5.30
Another Dram C 5.55
Another Fine Mess C 4.07
Another Lifetime C 2.24
Anzac Day K 2.20
Aria's Dream R 5.30
As The Fella Says P 3.45
Asta La Pasta P 2.35
Atlantis Blue K 3.30
Atmosphere K 5.50
Aucunrisque P 2.35
Auntie Maggie F 3.23
Authentic Legacy P 3.45
Autumn Angel W 3.20
Ballarat Bertie W 2.45
Ballyhealy Diamond P 3.10
Balmy Breese W 5.05
Barley R 4.15
Beau Balko C 3.34
Believitanducan K 6.20
Bella Veneta W 2.10
Bernie The Bear W 4.30
Bertie B C 4.07
Billy Bathgate W 2.10
Birdie Bowers R 1.55
Blackijo Dagrostis C 2.24
Blenheim Lad K 6.20
Blue Jay Way W 4.30
Boasty W 2.10
Bold Suitor W 4.30
Botanical K 2.55
Bourbali C 3.34
Boy Douglas R 4.15
Brian The Snail R 2.30
Buraback W 3.55
Byzantium P 4.55
Cadarn R 4.15
Calibos W 2.45
Calvic F 4.33
Can You Hear Me C 5.19
Captious Cantor W 2.45
Celtic Queen K 2.20
Champagnesuperover F 2.13
Chateau Du Lys F 4.33
Checkandchallenge K 2.55
Chilly Breeze K 5.50
Cinnodin K 6.20
Circe R 3.40
City Escape W 5.45
City Of Strangers R 5.30
Claim Du Brizais F 5.08
Clemcos Revenge C 5.55
Cloudy Wednesday F 4.33
Coastguard Station P 2.35
Coconut Bay W 4.30
College Witch R 5.30
Come On Nia C 4.07
Confinentic P 3.45
Conniemak C 2.24
Copshill Lad P 2.00
Coul Jane W 1.35
Coup De Force K 4.40
Court Drive W 3.20
Crackinthunder R 5.30
Criminal K 2.20
Crimson Lad R 5.30
Crimson Road R 4.15
Crown Board K 2.55
Crown Khov C 5.19
Cruyff Turn R 3.40
Cuillin Ridge C 2.24
Cusano P 4.55
Cypriot Diaspora K 4.40
Dambuster F 2.48
Dancing Magic K 4.05
Danehill Star W 5.45
Dapper Valley K 4.05
Dark Sorceress W 3.20
Dashing Harry K 4.40
Deep Purple C 1.49
Desiderata W 5.45
Diamond Cottage W 5.05
Diamond Dude R 5.30
Diamond Koda F 3.58
Dickens P 4.55
Doc McCoy F 3.58
Dom Bosco C 4.44
Doyouknowwhatimean C 2.59
Dr Strangelove K 5.50
Dramatic Effect K 3.30
Dream Of Mischief K 4.40
Dreamfyre Dancer C 5.19
Duel Au Soleil C 5.55
Dunnington Lad R 2.30
Earthwatch R 1.25
Eastern Shores F 5.08
El Curamach C 4.07
El Muchacho C 2.59
Electric Bass W 2.45
Elfride C 4.44
Elland Road Girl W 3.20
Elysian Knight P 3.45
Embarked W 5.05
Emerald Lad P 5.35
Emerald Poet P 5.35
Ernst Blofeld K 2.20
Escapologist P 3.45
Excelero P 3.45
Exoplanet K 2.55
Fallons First R 1.25
Fantomas C 4.44
Fast Flo R 2.30
Fistral Beach W 4.30
Flamborough Head R 4.50
Follow Your Heart K 4.05
For Love Of Beauty F 5.08
Fort Augustus K 5.50
Fortune Timmy P 5.35
Four Adaay W 3.20
Fregola R 5.30
French Martini K 6.20
Fringill Dike P 2.35
Gaelic Rambler C 1.49
Galel W 5.05
Garifullina R 1.55
Gasmani C 1.49
Gastronomy R 3.05
Geezer Rockstar C 4.07
General Briar P 5.35
Getaway Drumlee C 4.07
Giant K 4.40
Glance Of Glory C 1.49
Gogo Yubari W 3.20
Golden Echo C 2.24
Gone Girl C 5.19
Gorcombe Moonshine C 4.44
Gower Prince C 2.59
Grabajabba R 4.15
Graecia F 3.23
Grey Fox K 6.20
Groundhog R 4.50
Gustav Graves W 3.55
Gwennie May Star P 2.00
Haazeez K 5.50
Hardlass R 5.30
Hawk Stone C 4.44
He's A Latchico P 4.55
Heerathetrack W 5.05
Hello Sweety F 3.23
Heretic W 5.45
Hierarchy K 4.40
Holy Smoker K 2.20
Homeland R 4.50
Hoodie Hoo K 5.15
Hurricane Bea R 4.50
Hyrcanian R 2.30
I Can Boogy R 4.50
I Can't Believe W 5.45
Ideallko C 2.59
Ifan Full Pelt C 2.24
Illegal D'ainay P 3.45
Impecunious C 4.44
Indigo Sky F 5.08
Inferno Sacree P 4.55
Inside Man C 2.24
Invincible Aura K 4.05
Irish Dancer R 1.55
Jack N Jones F 5.08
Jakar Du Moulin C 1.49
Jefe Triunfo P 5.35
Jenubiyah R 1.25
Jetoile C 3.34
John Kirkup R 2.30
JPR One P 2.35
Kaituna River P 2.00
Kajikia P 5.35
Kells Priory P 2.00
Ken Roy P 2.00
Kenmya F 3.23
Keybaar K 5.15
Kiss Gold C 5.19
Kitaro Kich K 4.05
Kranjcar R 1.55
La Dolce Dolly P 2.00
Lady Diesel R 5.30
Lady Jago P 4.19
Lady Mary W 2.45
Lady Of The Garr R 1.55
Lapointe F 5.08
Last Note F 5.08
Lazare Combo C 5.55
Lazzar K 5.50
Le Beau Madrik P 5.35
Legacy Power K 6.20
Lerwick R 3.40
Let Me Go Boys C 4.07
Letter Of The Law W 5.05
Life On The Rocks W 5.45
Light N Strike C 3.34
Lightonthewing C 4.44
Like Magic F 2.48
Limerick Lass C 5.55
Lincoln's Inn W 5.05
Lion's Pride K 2.55
Little Muddy R 1.55
Little Soiree P 4.55
Livio Milo R 3.40
Lokma K 5.15
Lough Owel C 4.44
Love Olivia W 1.35
Lyrical Genius P 4.19
Magic Topissima R 4.50
Manalishi C 5.55
Marbuzet R 3.05
Marisitta W 4.30
Martator P 2.35
Martha Costello R 5.30
Master Richard R 3.40
Match Anthem W 5.05
Matterhorn P 2.35
Mattie Ross C 4.44
Mayday Mayday R 5.30
Mc'flo F 5.08
Media Mogul R 3.05
Mercury Day K 3.30
Metaverse K 4.05
Midnightattheoasis W 3.55
Milajess F 3.23
Military Order K 2.55
Miss Chester K 5.50
Miss Rainbow R 2.30
Miss Tinkerbell F 5.08
Mission In Malton R 4.50
Modern Style K 2.20
Moel Arthur K 6.20
Mohave Dancer W 2.10
Monsieur Fantaisie W 4.30
Moon Over The Sea W 2.10
Moonlight Stride C 5.55
Moonshine Man P 4.55
More Than A Feelin K 3.30
Mostly Sunny P 3.45
Mr Escobar P 3.45
Mrs Trump R 1.55
Mudlahhim W 4.30
Mwafaq R 4.50
My Louise C 4.44
Nacho Nacho Nacho K 5.50
Nevendon W 2.10
New Found Fame C 4.07
Nibras Angel K 4.05
Norn Iron P 3.10
North View K 4.05
Now I Know P 3.10
Obito R 1.25
Okeechobee K 2.55
Old Park Star C 5.19
Onethreefivenotout P 4.19
Orchestra K 6.20
Ottoman R 4.50
Outreach W 4.30
Padua K 2.20
Paint The Dream C 3.34
Palmarian K 5.15
Pantani K 5.50
Penthouse Poppet C 4.44
Perfidia R 5.30
Pink Pony Club C 5.19
Police Academy F 3.58
Popa Rich F 2.48
Port Noir W 5.45
Portcammon C 2.24
Posh Maisie R 1.55
Pottersmattyeeehaa F 2.48
Pragnell C 1.49
Press Your Luck P 2.00
Prince Hector W 2.10
Project Black R 3.40
Psychodrama W 3.20
Public Enemy P 4.55
Pysanka W 2.10
Quite The Getaway C 4.44
Rapper's Delight K 5.50
Ravenglass W 4.30
Real Stone C 3.34
Rebel Path K 4.40
Recon Mission W 3.55
Red Walls W 5.05
Reddeef K 5.15
Redditizio W 1.35
Reforme F 3.58
Reidh R 4.15
Reigning Profit W 3.55
Rhythm Master R 4.15
Ri Na Cuirte C 4.44
Ribba Hill R 3.05
River Alwen W 5.45
River Glance C 5.19
River Wharfe W 5.05
Rogue Dancer W 3.20
Roi Du Risk P 5.35
Roman Roy P 3.10
Romance In Rome K 2.20
Romany King C 5.19
Romieu R 1.25
Ronnies Reflection F 4.33
Rosenpur W 3.55
Rouge Vif C 2.59
Safanah W 3.20
Sage Green C 2.24
Sageburg County C 3.34
Saint Segal C 3.34
Saisissante F 3.23
Sam's Hope W 4.30
Sanbona R 5.30
Sans Bruit P 2.35
Sao Carlos C 2.59
Sawpit Samantha C 4.44
Sawpit Sienna F 3.23
Scottsdale F 4.33
Sea Invasion P 4.19
Sea Of Charm W 2.10
See The Green C 4.07
Senor Cortez K 2.20
Senorita Vega W 1.35
Sgian Dubh P 4.55
Sheriff's Court K 5.50
Silver Wraith K 5.15
Sinchi Roca C 5.19
Sky Safari K 3.30
Spanish Train K 2.20
Speiriuil C 4.07
Sprinter K 5.15
Star Delta W 5.45
Star Of Affinity P 3.45
Starfighter W 2.10
Start Again P 3.10
Steal The Moves C 1.49
Stoic Syd W 5.05
Stormin Crossgales F 2.13
Strategic Fortune W 5.45
Stroxx R 2.30
Study Up K 5.15
Supernova Steps R 1.55
Supreme King K 4.05
Sweet Cicely W 2.45
Sword Of Wessex K 2.20
Synchronist P 4.55
Synergism W 2.45
Tarjamah W 5.45
Teardrops K 5.15
Teddy Blue P 2.35
Teumessias Fox K 2.55
The Green Man R 3.40
The Grey Man C 4.07
The Magus C 4.07
The Mullet C 5.55
Tickets R 2.30
Tiger Crusade K 4.05
Till It Shines W 5.05
To Be Sure F 4.33
Tom Taggle C 4.44
Too Darn Seanie K 2.20
Top Of The Class K 3.30
Topwarrior K 5.15
Tradesman K 6.20
Treble Winners R 4.50
Triple Double A R 4.50
Trojan Sun R 3.05
Twirler K 3.30
Two Plus Two W 2.10
Under The Sun F 2.48
Unthinkable R 5.30
Ustath R 1.55
Variety Island R 2.30
Very Mindful W 1.35
Victoria Milano F 3.58
Walk The Moon W 2.10
Warranty P 2.00
Warrior King K 2.20
Watchoutitscookie C 4.44
Western General C 3.34
Westington House K 5.15
Westport Cove P 2.35
What A Nation W 2.45
Wicked Thoughts P 3.45
Wiggins B R 2.30
Wind River F 2.48
Wondrous Ways R 4.50
Woodstock R 3.40
World Of Darcy K 4.40
Yaaser R 4.15
Zamek C 5.55
Zaochen Enki C 2.24
Zenato F 2.48
Ziva's Star R 5.30

GREYHOUNDS

SWINDON

11.09 **SCALA BREW** (3) ..... Minglers Dipper (5)
11.27 **HARLEQUIN FLEWIN** (4) . Camp Kingdom (2)
11.43 **SWIFT ZIG** (3) ..... Ballymac Kolbe (6)
12.01 **ROCKMOUNT RAVEN** (4) . Tuckeys Marvel (3)
12.18 **SWIFT OILEAN** (2) ..... Outback Fancy (5)
12.34 **MOHICAN LINDA** (5) ..... We Dont Know (3)
12.51 **LOUIES FLYER** (3) ..... Spiffing (5)
1.08 **BARNFIELD CREST** (1) ..... Mohican Harry (2)
1.26 **KIMMERS** (nap) (4) ..... Confey Range (2)
1.42 **ASHWAY GRANITE** (1) ..... Swift Vahini (5)
1.59 **ROCKMOUNT JUNIOR** (4) .. Ashway Ebony (1)
2.14 **EAGLES RESPECT** (nb) (3) .. Trumpers Dara (1)

MONMORE

2.23 **KATES MOONLIGHT** (3) ..... Noduff Palazzo (2)
2.41 **DROOPYS SHOWGIRL** (6) Dinsdale Piranha (1)
3.01 **KILARA BUNDEE** (2) ..... Uptown Girl (4)
3.19 **DA BLUE FLASH** (nap) (6) ... Antigua Goose (5)
3.38 **MISS MARGOT** (4) ..... Westway Bacchus (1)
3.57 **AERO NOTALLTHAT** (3) ..... Flyhigh Flash (4)
4.16 **SIGNET MERYL** (2) ..... Coolemount Sarah (4)
4.34 **CROSSFIELD DAVID** (5) ..... Kims Diamond (6)
4.53 **HOMERUN HOUND** (nb) (5) .. Pollys Dream (4)
5.12 **BUILDERS PRIDE** (1) ..... Ballyboss Connie (2)
5.31 **SIENNA GIRL** (2) ..... Bloos Ladysandra (3)
5.49 **ELDERBERRY FIRE** (6) ..... Winterfield Soot (1)

SUNDERLAND

2.29 **PARKVIEW DUKE** (nap) (5) ..... Eden Hagrid (4)
2.48 **LAURENS BRUNO** (1) ..... By And Large (3)
3.07 **SLEEPY MEG** (6) ..... Antigua Iceman (3)
3.26 **BALLINTEMPLE BAY** (nb) (2) . Budges Girls (6)
3.44 **YELLOW SAM** (2) ..... Marinas Quebec (5)
4.03 **CANYA ATMIDNIGHT** (3) ..... High St Stag (5)
4.22 **FAIRHOLME FIRE** (2) ..... Brynoffa Bee (3)
4.41 **ROUGH JOY** (4) ..... Makeit Colonel (6)
4.59 **EMERS MACIE** (1) ..... Kilbride Robin (3)
5.18 **HOW YE DEBS** (1) ..... Ardmoulin Eagle (6)
5.37 **TASSIE TIK TOK** (1) ..... Reagrove Taylor (4)
5.56 **FINLEYS SAVIOUR** (1) ..... Flying Secret (2)

CENTRAL PARK

2.36 **HARRIESTOWN LEE** (5) ..... Millbank Lily (3)
2.54 **HOLLYHILL IVY** (3) ..... Dal Princess (2)
3.13 **ALWAYS BRIGHT** (2) ..... Snodland Flyer (5)
3.32 **CHRISSYS LEGACY** (nap) (2) Snodland Sniper (5)
3.51 **AFFANE BAILEY** (4) ..... Rossa Annie (6)
4.09 **DANCESWITHWOLVES** (nb) (1) Insane Sam (6)
4.28 **BARNORA ALEXA** (5) ..... Stophers Ivy (1)
4.47 **SWIFT UNITED** (4) ..... Greatdown Lad (6)
5.06 **INSANE SCOTT** (1) ..... Awkward Silence (3)
5.24 **COPACABANA** (6) ..... Angel Whisper (4)
5.43 **ONLY IF** (5) ..... Glasheen Gold (6)
6.02 **HOLLYHILL MELODY** (5) ..... Popper Pixie (2)

KINSLEY

6.08 **ALTMORE GIRL** (1) ..... Lets Go Drago (3)
6.26 **SUGAR WOLF** (1) ..... Shady Della (4)
6.42 **ERRILL MERRY** (1) ..... Ballintemple Roy (6)
6.59 **BALLYMAC RILEY** (1) ..... Rising Dario (6)
7.16 **HAZELGROVE HONEY** (nap) (5) .. Vote For Pedro (1)
7.33 **MONBEG IZZY** (4) ..... Lunar Display (1)
7.49 **MOANTEEN RALPH** (3) ..... Derrymore Jill (6)
8.07 **STONEPARK ABBA** (nb) (6) .. Grumpy Wazock (4)
8.24 **MINEOLA BAM BAM** (3) ..... Kiltippin Rose (1)
8.41 **SWIFT JODIE** (5) ..... A Lucky Honda (4)
8.59 **GRUMPY ADAGIO** (3) ..... Twoshookmen (6)
9.16 **JAXX CASPARON** (1) ..... Grumpy Mabel (4)

NOTTINGHAM

6.37 **UNKNOWN WINGS** (3) ..... Zoros Boo (6)
6.53 **BENE N HOT** (3) ..... Dark Debbie (2)
7.11 **BLACKFRIARS BETH** (6) ..... Loxleys Diva (4)
7.27 **HEADFORD BABS** (nb) (2). Mossrich Karen (1)
7.44 **BELLMORE GINGER** (5) ..... Wolf Moon (4)
8.01 **VELVET MADRID** (3) ..... Swift Kipper (4)
8.19 **PLATINUM RECORD** (3) ..... Autumn Fame (2)
8.36 **JETSTREAM BREEZE** (nap) (2). Quill Quids (3)
8.54 **JAYMIR LUCY** (5) ..... Independent Lady (3)
9.11 **WYEVIEW CHICK** (2) ..... Tidy Up Cloud (4)
9.28 **JAYMIR LACE** (3) ..... Plaza Keano (4)
9.46 **JAYMIR LOLA** (2) ..... Roanna Ash (6)

BAGS WINNERS AND PRICES

DONCASTER

10.32: **Ashwood State** (6) 6-1, Queen Etta (3) 7-4 jt-fav, bf: £24.21, tri: (6-3-5) £0.00. 10.48: **Glengar Ava** (1) 9-2, Redbrick Daisy (6) 4-9 fav, bf: £8.94, tri: (1-6-3) £0.00. 11.04: **Greenhill Mac** (3) 6-4 fav, Luttons Ivy (1) 6-1, bf: £11.62, tri: (3-1-5) £37.05. 11.21: **Cunnigarinflight** (2) 15-8, Ivy Hill Blaze (6) 7-4 fav, bf: £6.42, tri: (2-6-4) £0.00. 11.38: **Burnfoot Bertie** (2) 6-4 fav, Bawn Dream (5) 9-1, bf: £17.59, tri: (2-5-3) £0.00. 11.54: **Starcash Kellie** (4) 7-4 fav, Effernogue Judy (3) 3-1, bf: £8.50, tri: (4-3-1) £0.00. 12.12: **Emilys Pride** (2) 7-2, Blastoff Una (6) 13-8, bf: £14.74, tri: (2-6-5) £0.00. 12.29: **Moss Boss** (1) 6-1, Natural Clover (6) 11-10 fav, bf: £18.85, tri: (1-6-2) £45.07. 12.46: **Side Chick** (2) 9-4, Always Believing (1) 4-1, bf: £12.72, tri: (2-1-4) £0.00. 1.03: **Keefill Iris** (6) 7-4 fav, Redbrick Lotus (2) 2-1, bf: £6.77, tri: (6-2-5) £0.00.

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2.23: **Tempus Vincere** (5) 11-4, Bu Han Tag (6) 15-8 fav, bf: £10.37, tri: (5-6-1) £0.00. 2.41: **Razor Gun** (4) 2-1, Yougo Jazz (2) 10-3, bf: £10.34, tri: (4-2-3) £0.00. 3.01: **Ten Ton Simba** (6) 11-8 fav, Trap Happy (2) 7-4, bf: £4.71, tri: (6-2-1) £0.00. 3.19: **Punk Rock Thief** (1) 10-3, Clairekeith Ava (4) 9-2, bf: £23.39, tri: (1-4-6) £73.12. 3.38: **Clona Bingo** (5) 4-6 fav, Donishall Bolger (6) 6-1, bf: £6.63, tri: (5-6-2) £0.00. 3.57: **Yougo Finn** (3) 7-4 fav, Honey Expert (6) 7-1, bf: £16.20, tri: (3-6-5) £53.51. 4.16: **Bunny Blaster** (1) 15-8, Outlaw Gun (2) 7-4 fav, bf: £5.96, tri: (1-2-6) £0.00. 4.34: **Minstrels Six** (1) 6-4 fav, Airlie Creek (6) 5-1, bf: £11.28, tri: (1-6-2) £20.58. 4.53: **Ballytag Ava** (1) 7-4, Slippy Jane (2) 4-1, bf: £10.03, tri: (1-2-3) £0.00. 5.12: **Roadsea Gun** (3) 7-4, Im Justa Pealing (4) 13-8 fav, bf: £5.27, tri: (3-4-1) £0.00. 5.31: **Oioiperfectolads** (5) 8-1, Bluestar Pilot (6) 11-4, bf: £40.14, tri: (5-6-2) £0.00. 5.49: **Sly Bluebird** (1) 10-3, Coolavanny Nancy (2) 4-9 fav, bf: £5.73, tri: (1-2-5) £0.00.

SHEFFIELD

2.31: **Pattys Scoot** (4) 7-4, Marlfield Oscar (2) 7-1, bf: £15.82, tri: (4-2-1) £0.00. 2.49: **Benbradagh Top** (5) Evens fav, Catunda Sniper (6) 3-1, bf: £5.50, tri: (5-6-2) £21.14. 3.09: **Up The Game** (2) 6-4, Romeo Pilot (4) 8-1, NR: Glenrock King (res), bf: £16.27, tri: (2-4-1) £0.00. 3.27: **Thorntree Badger** (1) 6-5 fav, Sandwood Queen (2) 2-1, bf: £4.63, tri: (1-2-4) £0.00. 3.47: **Fabulous Salsa** (2) 7-2, Ballymac Archer (5) 4-1, bf: £21.69, tri: (2-5-1) £0.00. 4.04: **Romeo Steel** (1) 1-5 fav, Catunda Ciaran (6) 7-1, bf: £3.20, tri: (1-6-2) £0.00. 4.24: **Elusivenomore** (3) 12-1, Romeo Tomcat (5) 4-1, bf: £81.31, tri: (3-5-2) £132.19. 4.42: **Noharminthat** (4) 10-11 fav, Velvet Mikey (6) 5-2, bf: £4.01, tri: (4-6-1) £0.00. 5.01: **Rocking Taylor** (3) 6-5, Not So Slow (5) 10-11 fav, bf: £2.55, tri: (3-5-1) £0.00. 5.19: **Ellanne Best** (6) 11-10 fav, Sandwood Gabby (1) 12-1, bf: £17.52, tri: (6-1-2) £0.00. 5.37: **Good Knick** (2) 4-7 fav, Aero Fish (4) 8-1, bf: £7.59, tri: (2-4-1) £0.00. 5.57: **Distant Flow** (1) 1-2 fav, Arthur Minute (2) 25-1, bf: £20.31, tri: (1-2-3) £0.00.

SUNDERLAND

11.09: **Ballymurry Turbo** (2) 10-3, Barnfield Chief (6) 4-1, bf: £23.00, tri: (2-6-1) £86.92. 11.27: **Witton Mo** (3) 11-8 fav, Do No More (4) 7-1, bf: £13.66, tri: (3-4-2) £70.01. 11.43: **Slippy Dottie** (2) 7-2, Caislean Zoey (5) 15-2, bf: £35.94, tri: (2-5-6) £97.46. 12.01: **Cloncunny Black** (5) 8-15 fav, Amber Dollar (3) 5-1, bf: £5.14, tri: (5-3-6) £13.09. 12.18: **Burrow Banner** (3) 9-4, Emers Blake (6) 11-2, NR: Helicopter Jacob (res), bf: £16.88, tri: (3-6-4) £0.00. 12.34: **Sleepy Bale** (6) 9-2, Fleadh Rojas (2) 5-1, bf: £35.99, tri: (6-2-4) £123.71. 12.51: **Lady Pop** (4) 11-1, Witton Molly (5) 11-1, bf: £130.69, tri: (4-5-2) £656.35. 1.08: **Gallant Queen** (5) 10-3, Cooga Alan (6) 3-1, NR: Gartcloss Tam (res), bf: £16.29, tri: (5-6-1) £0.00. 1.26: **Lemming Schvitz** (2) 11-1, Glenhead Holly (6) 11-4, bf: £64.00, tri: (2-6-1) £206.61. 1.42: **Jaguar Emma** (2) 4-1, Kilbannon Oisin (1) 9-2, bf: £24.95, tri: (2-1-5) £152.98. 1.59: **Ballyfidora New** (1) 2-1 fav, Havana Special (5) 10-3, NR: Catch You Later (res), bf: £10.68, tri: (1-5-2) £31.47. 2.14: **Dellser Cassie** (3) 5-2, Zesty Blueberry (1) 9-4 fav, bf: £9.91, tri: (3-1-6) £32.99.

YARMOUTH

11.01: **Swift Illinois** (3) 5-4 fav, Rings Ruby (4) 2-1, NR: Taylormade Bono (res), bf: £4.59, tri: (3-4-2) £9.57. 11.18: **Old Fort Buddy** (1) 10-3, Oh So Risky (4) 11-1, NR: Davina (res), , : Swift Colton (res), bf: £39.49, tri: (1-4-2) £0.00. 11.34: **Marinas Diva** (3) 10-3, Tableseventyone (5) 7-1, bf: £30.50, tri: (3-5-1) £0.00. 11.52: **Smiling Dore** (3) 5-2, Swift Opel (5) 15-8 fav, bf: £9.35, tri: (3-5-4) £30.23. 12.09: **Murlens Brae** (3) 7-1, Hollyhill Jimmy (4) Evens fav, bf: £20.63, tri: (3-4-2) £66.89. 12.26: **Lily Sixtyeight** (5) 6-1, Monraud King (2) 22-1, bf: £134.07, tri: (5-2-3) £336.79. 12.42: **Take Off Buster** (5) 5-1, Nightmare Moll (2) 14-1, bf: £90.15, tri: (5-2-3) £222.25. 12.59: **Darbys Faye** (4) 7-2, Gambet (1) 8-13 fav, (dd-ht 3rd), bf: £7.55, tri: (4-1-6) £20.13, (4-1-2) £10.18. 1.17: **Spider Maxx** (4) 7-4, Scotchrath Blake (1) 5-2, bf: £7.83, tri: (4-1-3) £0.00. 1.33: **Fahrenheit Isa** (1) 20-1, Wachovia Manor (2) 4-1, bf: £87.97, tri: (1-2-6) £249.93. 1.51: **Barnora Horse** (4) 11-4, Mattsbluprincess (6) 5-6 fav, bf: £6.69, tri: (4-6-3) £11.62. 2.07: **Mouse Amore** (1) 4-1, Divine Faith (4) 5-2, bf: £19.36, tri: (1-4-5) £76.12.

ROMFORD

11.01 (A4) 400m
1 2214 Allowdale Chloe (rl ro) 24.47
2 2466 Selker Bay Mary (sa md) 24.29
3 152 Oioi Savaloy (fw md) 24.34
4 6615 Dinner Charlie (rl ro) 24.45
5 2322 **Micks Boy** (sa fw) 24.38
6 5221 **KEEPERHILL MEEK (nb)** (wd sa) 24.20
Star betting: 11-4 Oioi Savaloy, Keeperhill Meek, 7-2 Allowdale Chloe, 5 Micks Boy, Selker Bay Mary, 11-2 Dinner Charlie.

11.18 (A6) 400m
1 3565 Aero Title (rl ro) 24.45
2 4223 **CREE ELLA** (rl ro) 00.00
3 4156 Gurtnacrehy Halo (ep md) 24.58
4 2432 **Jeopardy Delta** (md ep) 00.00
5 5614 Westwood Jewel (rl ep) 24.46
6 5 Hollywood Paso (sa wd) 25.15
Star betting: 3 Aero Title, Cree Ella, 7-2 Jeopardy Delta, Westwood Jewel, 4 Gurtnacrehy Halo, 6 Hollywood Paso.

11.34 (A3) 400m
1 3164 Ballyloo Charlie (rl ro) 24.48
2 4234 **Ah Well** (rl ro) 24.33
3 4655 Conans Express (md ro) 24.32
4 4365 Droopys Fiadh (wd ro) 24.40
5 1121 **KILGOWAN BALAD (NAP)** (wd fw) 24.20
6 Trap Vacant
Star betting: 9-4 Ah Well, Kilgowan Balad, 10-3 Droopys Fiadh, 7-2 Ballyloo Charlie, 9-2 Conans Express.

11.52 (A3) 400m
1 1143 **YOUNG JOAN** (rl ro) 24.47
2 2426 Drumdoit Ace (md ep) 24.20
3 5345 Tip Top Tiana (md ro) 24.45
4 3516 Kates Dream (sa md) 24.38
5 5415 **Droopys Standby** (wd ep) 00.00
6 3543 Da Capsule (md ro) 24.23
Star betting: 11-4 Da Capsule, 10-3 Drumdoit Ace, 7-2 Droopys Standby, Young Joan, 5 Kates Dream, 6 Tip Top Tiana.

12.09 (A7) 400m
1 6353 Janes Lil Angel (ep rl) 24.92
2 5611 **RAIDILLON** (ep md) 24.51
3 3153 **No Guarantee** (md ep) 24.40
4 6654 Ingrave Rocket (md ro) 24.55
5 2164 Fastlane Frankie (ep md) 24.31
6 4156 Babyitsyou (ep md) 24.47
Star betting: 11-4 Fastlane Frankie, 7-2 No Guarantee, Raidillon, Babyitsyou, 9-2 Janes Lil Angel, 11-2 Ingrave Rocket.

12.26 (S5) 575m
1 6542 Underground Baz (rl ro) 00.00
2 4553 Shunters World (md ep) 36.34
3 5312 **TEN POUND** (ep rl) 36.43
4 1342 Swift Lorenzo (md ro) 36.42
5 4244 Lens And Pens (wd ro) 36.61
6 5143 **Dude** (ep fw) 36.53
Star betting: 7-2 Underground Baz, Shunters World, Ten Pound, Dude, 4 Swift Lorenzo, 9-2 Lens And Pens.

12.42 (A10) 400m
1 4261 Old Fort Adios (rl ro) 25.06
2 1525 Ferryforth Logan (md ro) 24.81
3 5251 **Fancy A Go** (rl ro) 25.01
4 1 Swift Official (wd ep) 24.88
5 Young Youngy (md ro) 00.00
6 2214 **HOLLYWOOD SONG** (wd ep) 24.72
Star betting: 9-4 Old Fort Adios, Hollywood Song, 7-2 Swift Official, 4 Ferryforth Logan, Fancy A Go, 8 Young Youngy.

12.59 (A8) 400m
1 2443 Airport Star (sa ro) 24.63
2 5543 Seville Slayer (ep md) 24.28
3 Jimmys Dream (sa ro) 00.00
4 5365 Razldazl Minty (ep md) 24.88
5 6115 **YOUKNOWTHESCORE** (wd ep) 24.82
6 6431 **Underground Dan** (wd ro) 24.54
Star betting: 9-4 Seville Slayer, 10-3 Underground Dan, 7-2 Youknowthescore, Airport Star, 4 Razldazl Minty, 8 Jimmys Dream.

1.17 (A5) 400m
1 2231 **AVAS SECRET** (rl ro) 24.38
2 2553 Luminous Flyer (sa fw) 24.61
3 1352 Bombay Flash (rl fw) 24.30
4 3543 Whatflowants (md ro) 24.45
5 6515 Ballyboy Sean (wd ro) 24.41
6 5422 **Blazeaway Blue** (wd ro) 24.27
Star betting: 3 Bombay Flash, 10-3 Avas Secret, Blazeaway Blue, 9-2 Ballyboy Sean, Whatflowants, 6 Luminous Flyer.

1.33 (A9) 400m
1 5431 **ELLAHA PRINCESS** (sa rl) 24.72
2 3466 Swabys Romily (md ro) 24.62
3 5665 Jacktavern Taz (rl ro) 24.98
4 2436 Jeopardy Neptune (md ro) 24.52
5 6215 **Charlie Bob** (wd ep) 24.62
6 2553 Mucho Macho Jess (md ro) 24.67
Star betting: 11-4 Jeopardy Neptune, 3 Charlie Bob, 4 Ellaha Princess, Mucho Macho Jess, 9-2 Swabys Romily, 5 Jacktavern Taz.

1.51 (A11) 400m
1 1533 **Rusheen Joe** (sa md) 25.10
2 4213 **BELLADONNA** (wd ep) 24.94
3 3526 Jacktavern Luna (md ro) 24.71
4 4326 Jeopardy Hunter (md ro) 24.88
5 5664 Dower Star (sa ro) 25.14
6 1655 Rathmeehan Lyra (md ro) 25.02
Star betting: 9-4 Jacktavern Luna, 11-4 Belladonna, 7-2 Jeopardy Hunter, 11-2 Rusheen Joe, Rathmeehan Lyra, 6 Dower Star.

2.07 (A10) 400m
1 4433 Yacht Choice (sa ro) 24.79
2 1352 **Dege Premierblue** (rl ro) 24.68
3 1545 Icecool Pestana (md ep) 24.69
4 Trap Vacant
5 2664 Slow Paws (wd ep) 24.75
6 1232 **ORANGE NIAMH** (wd ro) 24.76
Star betting: 2 Dege Premierblue, 3 Icecool Pestana, Orange Niamh, 10-3 Yacht Choice, 4 Slow Paws.

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WORLD SNOOKER

CUE FOR ACTION: Williams has noticed his vision getting worse for months

THE ONLY WAY IS OP

All a blur as Williams eyes surgery

MARK WILLIAMS will undergo eye surgery in a desperate bid to prolong his illustrious career.

■ by SHANE MacDERMOTT

The three-time world champion, 50, became the oldest winner of a match at the Crucible for 15 years – Steve Davis was 52 when he beat John Higgins back in 2010 – with a 10-8 win over Chinese upstart Wu Yize, 29 years his junior.

Snooker legend Williams has noticed his eyes significantly deteriorate in recent months and is amazingly still winning despite seeing multiple balls due to severely blurred vision.

But the all-time great ditched his experiment with contact lenses before his Crucible opener on the advice of his coach.

He is due to have lens replacement surgery in early June.

The procedure, which costs around £4,000 an eye, replaces the natural lens in the eye with an artificial one.

And sixth seed Williams, who booked a 22nd last-16 appearance, said: "Hopefully, if it all goes well, it can prolong my career for another four or five years.

"I've noticed them get a lot worse in the last six months. I'm seeing about three or four balls at a time. I knew the day was coming where I'd have to do something about it.

"If I keep going without doing anything, the only way is down. I'd be seeing five balls, then what would I go for?

"I tried playing with contacts but that was really difficult. It was really uncomfortable in the eyes.

"With the contacts it's brilliant – I only see the one ball I'm going for, it's clear. But then the cueball's really blurry and I couldn't work out where to hit the cueball and that was driving me nuts.

"It would be funny if I did really well here. If I cancel, would I get my deposit back?"

Williams withstood the second-best scoring streak in Crucible history – 466 unanswered points – to lead 5-4 overnight.

And it was nip and tuck all the way to 8-8 before the Welshman produced two vintage breaks to progress. He added: "I have finished really strongly there, so that can only be good for my confidence.

"It's in the tank, it's been in the tank all season.

"I don't like to say it because I've beaten him. He's an unbelievable potter and has the potential to win this tournament one day."

Earlier in the day, Xiao Guodong completed a 10-4 thrashing of Matt Self.

World No.3 Higgins kicks off his bid for a famous fifth title against Joe O'Connor today.

ZAK OUT TO PHIL HIS BOOTS

■ by SHANE MacDERMOTT

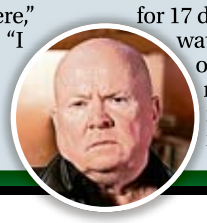
EASTENDERS-MAD Zak Surety will be using Phil Mitchell as inspiration during his dream Crucible debut.

The world No.73 is the lowest-ranked player at this year's World Championship and faces Chinese superstar Ding Junhui today.

Essex potter Surety, 33, usually watches every minute of the 17-day marathon on TV.

But after an 11-year journey he will finally be taking centre stage.

"It's huge, it's your dream to play there," said Surety ***(left)***. "I won't be missing EastEnders. It goes on the iPlayer at 6am.



It's perfect prep for a game – Phil Mitchell ***(inset)*** and then the Crucible. I'm the biggest snooker nerd when it comes to the Crucible.

"I like to sit in my pants for 17 days and just watch every session on TV. I don't move. So to be involved with it is unreal."

FIST CLASS: Lewis celebrates

Hitting boos no problem for Mikey

EXCLUSIVE

■ by DAVE CRAVEN

ENGLAND star Mikey Lewis believes he has learned to deal with vitriolic fans winding him up – and Hull KR's derby win proved the point perfectly.

The brilliant scrum-half often cops abuse aplenty from opposition supporters.

That was no more obvious than in Rovers' Good Friday clash at fierce rivals Hull FC when the vociferous home support taunted him.

The reigning Man of Steel said: "It's part and parcel of the game. Some of the things they say, you can't take it personally. They try to get under your skin.

"It's fans. They're having a good day out. They're trying to get under my skin and I have learned from it.

"Me and Willie Peters *(inset)* have sat down and got that mindset now. They want to try to wind me up and it's how I try to keep focused on the game. I feel like I did.

"There's still tweaks I can make on my performance but it's a long year.

"It's only round seven. We've still got a long time to go."

Lewis became a dad when his son Romey was born earlier this month, just before Rovers also won at Hull to set up a Challenge Cup semi-final with Catalans.

On fatherhood, he said: "I feel like I'm a changed person now.

"As soon as he arrived. Becoming a dad, I wouldn't change it for the world.

"Spending time with him is always precious and I'll never let that go by."

Rovers head to Leeds on Friday night seeking to strengthen their hold on top spot.

But Robins fans will certainly have enjoyed the Easter weekend after that 28-14 victory – even if 12-man Hull threatened to pull off a shock win before the visitors' late surge.

Lewis added: "It feels really good, knowing that we didn't play that well. We were on the back foot, especially in that second half.

"We'd been challenged throughout the week by our coach and our leader.

"We had a choice to make and we chose the right option. We came away with the win."

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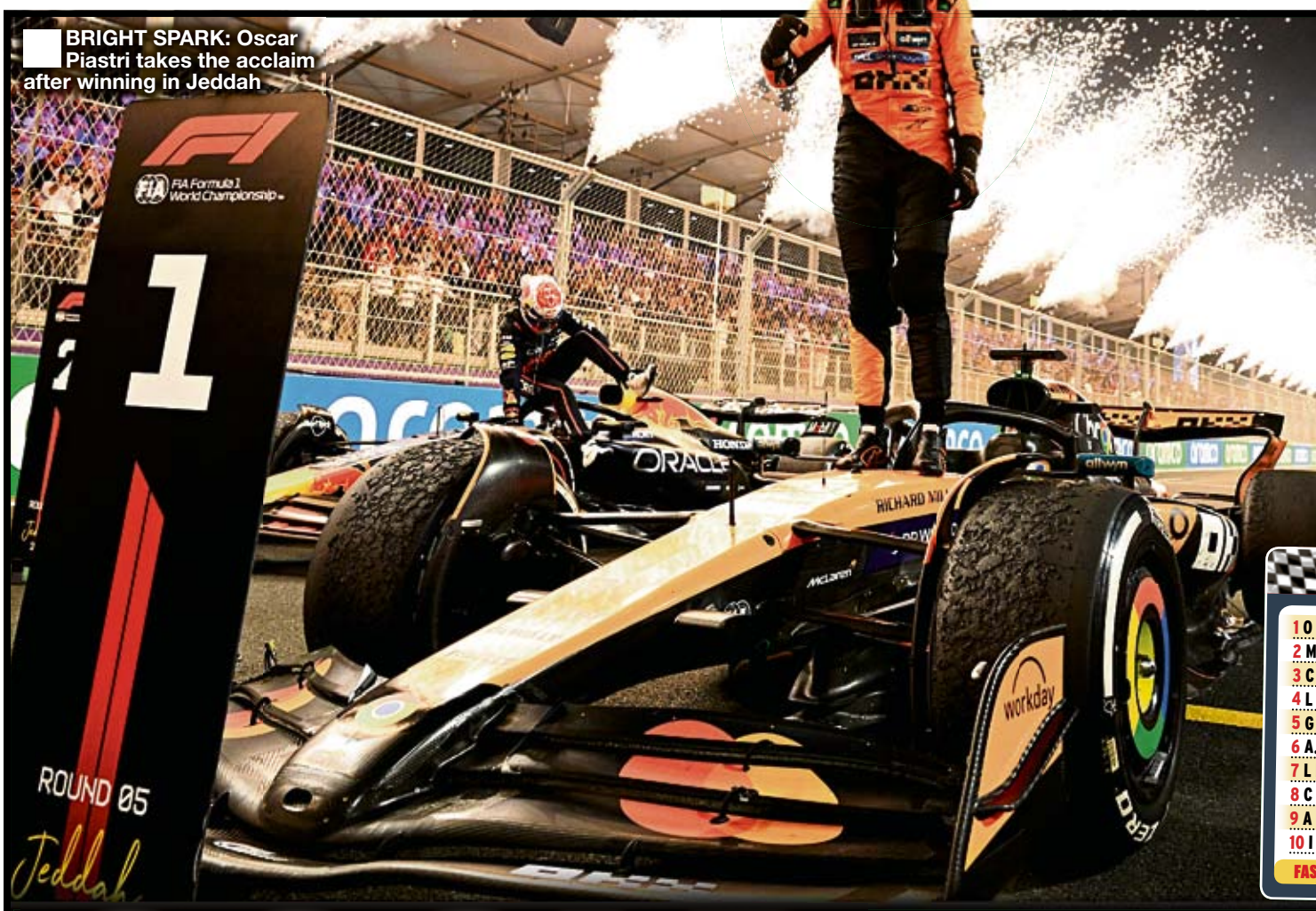

BRIGHT SPARK: Oscar Piastri takes the acclaim after winning in Jeddah

Lando luck out

■ by DANIEL MOXON

LANDO NORRIS lost control of the F1 title race lead as McLaren team-mate Oscar Piastri asserted his championship credentials.

Norris came through from 10th on the grid to finish fourth after his crash in qualifying.

But that was not enough to stop Piastri from leapfrogging him in the drivers' standings with his third win of the year.

The level-headed Aussie allowed himself a smile when he was reminded that he is now 10 points clear at the top of the pile.

He said: "I'm obviously very happy to have won and to be leading the championship.

"It's been a great start to the season."

Norris produced a strong recovery drive but missed out on a podium place to Charles Leclerc, who just too quick at the end.

He said: "I think it was the best we could have done.

"It was a shame to miss out on the podium."

HOW THEY FINISHED

1	O Piastri (Aus) McLaren	1:21.06.758
2	M Verstappen (Ned) Red Bull	+2.843s
3	C Leclerc (Mon) Ferrari	+8.104s
4	L Norris (Gbr) McLaren	+9.196s
5	G Russell (Ger) Mercedes GP	+27.236s
6	A.K Antonelli (Ita) Mercedes GP	+34.688s
7	L Hamilton (Gbr) Ferrari	+39.073s
8	C Sainz (Spa) Williams	+64.630s
9	A Albon (Tha) Williams	+66.515s
10	I Hadjar (Fra) RB	+67.091s

STANDINGS

Drivers

1	O Piastri (Aus)	99pts
2	L Norris (Gbr)	89
3	M Verstappen (Ned)	87
4	G Russell (Gbr)	73
5	C Leclerc (Mon)	47
6	A.K Antonelli (Ita)	38
7	L Hamilton (Gbr)	31
8	A Albon (Tha)	20
9	E Ocon (Fra)	14
10	L Stroll (Can)	10

FASTEST LAP: Norris 1:31.778 on lap 41 **POLE:** Verstappen 1:27.294

OSCAR BRAVO

Piastri pushes it to the Max

OSCAR PIASTRI didn't just take the championship lead from Lando Norris, he also taught his team-mate a lesson.

■ by DANIEL MOXON

On the streets of Jeddah, he showed the Brit exactly how you deal with Max Verstappen when you come up against him on track.

Several times last year Norris was too meek in his approach to battling with the Dutchman, who will push to the limit, and sometimes beyond, to keep you behind.

But this race was won at turn one when Piastri got the better launch off the line and was not willing to give an inch more than he needed to.

Verstappen cut the first-corner chicane and came back onto the track still ahead, but the stewards were having none of it and he was given a five-second penalty.

That was the moment which decided the race. Once both had stopped and Verstappen emerged from the pit lane behind the Aussie, there would be no getting the lead back.

"Once I got on the inside, I wasn't coming out of turn one in second place," said McLaren ace Piastri, reflecting on that incident.

"Obviously the stewards had to get involved, but I thought I was plenty far enough up and in that end that was what won me the race."

Piastri kept him at arm's length for the rest of the Grand Prix to win back-to-back races for the first time in his Formula One career. It was his third win of 2025 already after just five rounds and he is the first Aussie to lead the championship since his manage Mark Webber in 2010 when he raced for Red Bull.

Verstappen was none too pleased with the way this one was taken away from him. If his pole position in qualifying was a surprise, then it was truly shocking to see his Red Bull, which was just plain slow in Bahrain a week earlier, show pace at least equal to that of the McLarens.

He was less than three seconds behind Piastri by the time he took the chequered flag and bit his tongue as he reflected on the race.

"I'm going to keep it quite short," he warned interviewer David Coulthard, before thanking the fans and walking off.

A much happier man was Charles Leclerc, who held off a late charge from Norris to record Ferrari's first podium of the year.

Norris did well to recover to fourth on a track where overtaking is difficult but the damage was done on Saturday by his qualifying crash.

"I'm pleased on the whole," the Brit said. "I make life tough for myself, especially at a race like that. It would have been much easier, a lot more chilled, if I was driving at the front. I need to make things easier with better Saturdays."

Also in need of stronger qualifying is Lewis Hamilton, who started and finished seventh after again struggling for pace in his Ferrari.

Luke takes command

■ **DARTS**

LUKE LITTLER cruised to victory on day two of the German Grand Prix with a 6-1 win over Cam Crabtree.

The 18-year-old world champion is back in action in Munich today as he faces Joe Cullen, who beat Mickey Mansell 6-2.

Michael van Gerwen won 6-5 against Kim Huybrechts after setting up a last-leg decider against the Belgian, who missed three match darts in the previous leg.

STAR SHORTS

Brit Tour titan dies

■ **CYCLING**

BRITISH cycling legend Barry Hoban – who won eight stages on the Tour de France – has died aged 85.

Hoban ***(left)*** was the country's most successful rider on Le Tour, and a formidable presence in the peloton, until Mark Cavendish went past his record in 2009.

Born in Wakefield, Hoban's career highlights included being the first Brit to win a Tour de France mountain stage and the first to win two stages in succession (in 1973).

Tigers go on a spree

■ **RUGBY UNION**

FIVE-TRY Leicester beat high-flying Bristol 36-19.

The win took Tigers into second place the Premiership and avenged their humiliating 54-24 defeat to the Bears at Welford Road in December.

Coach Michael Cheika said: "We talked about doing it for the fans because we let them down last time."

Leicester have their top-four fate in their own hands with four rounds left.

RETURN OF THE MAC

■ by RICHARD LEWIS

RORY McILROY will make his first appearance since winning the Masters when he defends his Zurich Classic of New Orleans title next week.

McIlroy ***(inset)*** became only the sixth male player to complete a career Grand Slam when he edged out Ryder Cup team-mate Justin Rose in the first play-off hole at Augusta National earlier this month.

He missed the RBC Heritage on the PGA Tour as he returned to Northern Ireland to celebrate the fifth Major of his career.

However, Shane Lowry confirmed he will partner McIlroy once again for the team event in Louisiana, which they won last year in a play-off against Chad Ramey and Martin Trainer.

"We'll be there. I talked to him. We're good to go," Lowry said.

"I didn't want him to feel like he had to play because of me.

"He's not letting me down if he wanted to take some time. He feels like he wants to get back out there."

Elsewhere, Ashun Wu hit a closing round of 65 to hold off England's Jordan Smith and land the China Open title in Shanghai.

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SERIOUSLY football PREMIER LEAGUE

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PENALTY KING DOM IS NOT FAZED BY ANYONE

SPOT ON: Solanke celebrates after penalty winner

DOMINIC SOLANKE insists Tottenham have the quality to edge any opponent – despite losing 21 games in all competitions this season.

Spurs' penalty hero, who fired Ange Postecoglou's men into the semi-finals of the Europa League on Thursday night, insists the gutsy midweek triumph over Eintracht Frankfurt in Germany must now represent the benchmark for his side.

Ahead of tonight's Premier League meeting with Champions League-chasing Nottingham Forest, Solanke said: "On our day we're good enough to beat anyone. It's just about doing that.

"In games like Thursday it's important to produce big performances and big moments and that's what we did."

Determined Solanke, Spurs' £65m club record signing, never once beat himself up over his goal drought.

In his view, his priceless winner from 12 yards was undoubtedly worth the wait, having gone 11 matches without finding the net.

The chilled England ace added: "This stuff happens in football.

"You go through phases where you don't score for a while, but that was a big moment and this is what we live for.

"I had to stay cool to take the penalty, but obviously I was delighted to score in a big game."

Despite a season of turmoil, there is now real optimism within the walls of Tottenham's dressing room that they can go the distance in Europe and finally end their exhausting 17-year wait for silverware.

TOTTENHAM v NOTTM FOREST

KICK-OFF: 8pm, Sky Sports **REF:** Peter Bankes

■ **by RYAN TAYLOR**

However, Solanke is adamant Spurs must now show consistency if they are to achieve Europa League glory – and that starts with the Premier League when Forest visit N17 tonight.

The ex-Bournemouth hitman added: "We all know we need to be more consistent from game to game. When you have a game like Thursday's, you need to go out there and show no fear and get the job done.

"There's no second chances in knockout football, so we knew we had to go and get the job done.

"The Europa League was something we had our eyes on from the beginning of the season.

"We're not far off it. Hopefully we can keep producing these performances in Europe and the league throughout the rest of the campaign and kick on."

For manager Postecoglou, Europe offers a chance to finish a disappointing season with a trophy, though he wants his side to find Premier League form as well.

"It's fair to say it's been challenging," said the Aussie, whose men take on Norway's Bodo\Glimt in the last four of the Europa League.

"But part of that challenge is the rotations in the team. It's going to be similar on Monday night. We need to have the same levels of concentration and focus that we did on Thursday.

"As much as we understand that the league's been disappointing and Europa offers a magnificent opportunity, I still think we have to play well in the two games preceding it [semi-final]."

NUNO CAN FIRE UP FOREST

■ **by KEITH WEBSTER**

NUNO ESPIRITO SANTO says Nottingham Forest are going all out to secure Champions League football for next season.

Four defeats in the last eight games, coupled with the weekend's results, have seen Forest fall out of the top five on goal difference as they travel to Tottenham tonight.

But the Portuguese says they will fight over the final six games to qualify for Europe's elite competition.

"The expectation around us really started the moment we were able to perform and get results," said Nuno ***(left)***.

"That is the expectation of us achieving something that was not in the initial plans.

"But we are delighted. We are embracing this challenge.

"We are not stepping back, we are stepping in. We want to embrace it and get it.

"It is going to be very hard, but believe me, we are stepping in and putting everything that we have into these final moments."

A 1-0 loss at home against Everton last weekend meant back-to-back league defeats.

But Nuno wants to focus on his own team and make sure it his players, not the opposition, who dictate what happens to them.

He added: "Everton were really good. They were dominant, they controlled the game. However, the main reason for the future is going to be us."

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CRICKET

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP - DIVISION ONE—Durham v Yorkshire (Riverside): Yorkshire 307 (86.0 overs). and 132-4 (59.0 overs) Durham 427 (106.2 overs; A Z Lees 172, E N Gay 152).

Essex v Worcestershire (Chelmsford): Essex 179 (58.4 overs) and 317 (95.0 overs; P I Walter 104). Worcestershire 202 (54.0 overs) and 185-6 (64.0 overs).

Hampshire v Somerset (The Rose Bowl): Somerset 184 (54.0 overs). and 103-1 (35.0 overs) Hampshire 336 (93.0 overs; M Pretorius 5-64).

Sussex v Surrey (Hove): Sussex 435 (132.2 overs; T J Haines 174). Surrey 390-3 (86.0 overs; D W Lawrence 117no, O J D Pope 103).

Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire (Edgbaston): Warwickshire 93 (36.4 overs; F O'Neill 5-19, B A Hutton 5-38). and 163-6 (60.0 overs) Nottinghamshire 367 (94.4 overs; Haseeb Hameed 138no; M Booth 5-90).

DIVISION TWO—Derbyshire v Northamptonshire (Derby): Derbyshire 307 (81.5 overs). and 202-3 (56.0 overs) Northamptonshire 500-8dec. (112.0 overs; L Procter 150, Saif Zaib 105).

Kent v Gloucestershire (Canterbury): Gloucestershire 472 (110.5 overs; J R Bracey 151no, C Green 112; N N Gilchrist 7-100). and 112-2 (33.0 overs) Kent 393 (105.3 overs; B G Compton 178).

Lancashire v Leicestershire (Old Trafford): Lancashire 263 (96.0 overs; T A R Scriven 5-45). and 16-3 (8.0 overs) Leicestershire 491-8dec. (123.0 overs; P S P Handscomb 142no, R Ahmed 100).

Middlesex v Glamorgan (Lord's): Glamorgan 199 (69.5 overs). and 186-5 (61.0 overs) Middlesex 470-9dec. (146.0 overs; M D E Holden 107).

RUGBY UNION

Gallagher Premiership

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Bristol—T: Ibitoye, Ravouvou, Randall. **C**: MacGinty (2).

Leicester—T: Radwan, Hassell-Collins, van Poortvliet, Steward, Henderson. **C**: Pollard (3), Shillcock. **P**: Pollard.

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Bath	14	12	0	2	13	513	311	61
Leicester	14	8	1	5	12	392	335	46
Bristol	14	8	0	6	14	489	451	46
Sale	14	9	0	5	8	399	351	44
Saracens	14	8	0	6	12	380	375	44
Gloucester	14	7	0	7	13	411	394	41
Harlequins	14	6	1	7	12	343	345	38
North'pton	14	6	0	8	9	372	377	33
Exeter	14	3	0	11	9	296	381	21
Newcastle	14	2	0	12	4	213	488	12

Women's Six Nations—Wales 14 Ireland 40.

SNOOKER

HALO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (Crucible Theatre, Sheffield)**—1st rd:** G Xiao (Chn) bt M Selt (Eng) 10-4; M Williams (Wal) bt Y Wu (Chn) 10-8.

TODAY'S DIARY

(3pm unless stated)

Premier League

Tottenham v Nottingham Forest (8pm).....

Sky Bet Championship: Burnley v Sheffield Utd (5.30) (Live on ITV 1), Cardiff v Oxford Utd, Hull v Preston, Leeds v Stoke, Luton v Bristol City, Millwall v Norwich, Plymouth v Coventry, Portsmouth v Watford, QPR v Swansea, Sheffield Wednesday v Middlesbrough, Sunderland v Blackburn, West Brom v Derby.

Sky Bet League One: Barnsley v Peterborough, Blackpool v Wrexham, Bristol Rovers v Stevenage, Burton v Birmingham, Cambridge Utd v Leyton Orient, Crawley v Exeter, Lincoln City v Bolton, Mansfield v Reading, Northampton v Shrewsbury, Stockport Co v Huddersfield, Wigan v Rotherham, Wycombe v Charlton.

Sky Bet League Two: Accrington v Carlisle, Barrow v Tranmere, Chesterfield v Bradford, Crewe v Milton Keynes Dons, Doncaster v Colchester, Gillingham v AFC Wimbledon, Harrogate Tn v Fleetwood, Morecambe v Salford City, Newport Co v Walsall (12.30), Notts County v Cheltenham , Port Vale v Grimsby, Swindon v Bromley.

ANSWERS

FIVE FOR FUN

1 Francesco Bagnaia; 2 Min Woo Lee; 3 Aryna Sabalenka; 4 Seb Atkinson and Christian Wade; 5 Nottingham Forest.

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TARGET: Maatsen

Villa hot for Euro bounce

■ by DARREN WELLS

IAN MAATSEN is determined to build on Aston Villa's win against Newcastle with another vital victory at Manchester City tomorrow night.

Unai Emery's men bounced back from Tuesday's agonising Champions League exit at the hands of Paris St-Germain with an impressive 4-1 win as they seek to return to European football's top table.

"This is Villa Park," said goalscorer Maatsen. "We are very strong here."

The win put Villa in seventh place, a point behind City in fourth.

Reflecting on the Toon match, the Dutch defender said: "We were against a tough opponent, they were performing in a good way, and we finished that run.

"I'm really happy with the team performance and it's a good win.

"We still have a lot of important games in the Premier League.

"We want to get the European place, so we are fighting and giving everything for that.

"Away from home (at City) it's always tough, but I believe in this team."

Report: See pullout

We were Wel off it

DANNY WELBECK says Brighton "put our foot in it" after losing at Brentford dented their hopes of qualifying for Europe.

The Seagulls, who were trailing 3-1 when Joao Pedro was dismissed, saw their winless league run extend to five games.

Eighth place is likely to offer a Euro spot, but the dip in form could not have come at a worse moment for Fabian Hurzeler's side.

"We put our foot in it," Welbeck said. "We didn't start the second half well and you can't do that, you'll get punished. They got a bit of momentum and put us in a really difficult spot."

The game ended with Brighton defender Jean Paul van Hecke stretchered off in a neck brace.

"Hopefully he can make a quick recovery," said striker Welbeck.

Report: See pullout

KIERAN'S BOYS HAVE A TROSS TO BEAR

DOUBLE VISION: Trossard performs his trademark goggles celebration after his two-goal display

DOWN AND OUT: Saka gets treated before leaving the field

SAVIOURS are traditionally celebrated over Easter, so let's hear it for Leandro Trossard.

As Arsenal liberated the title race from the OBE nobody wanted to see – Over By Easter – two-goal Trossard led their defiance.

To catch Liverpool the Gunners will still not only have to roll away the stone, but push it uphill in a wheelbarrow.

But at Portman Road, the temple where Alf Ramsey and Bobby Robson procured miracles, Mikel Arteta's perennial runners-up were resolutely professional when they could have been forgiven for taking their foot off the gas.

All Arteta's eggs were in one basket long before the Gunners parked their combine harvesters on the Tractor Boys' farm – it is Champions League or bust for Arsenal.

After their midweek heroics against Real Madrid in the Bernabeu, one of football's great citadels, facing Kieran McKenna's doomed team away was supposed to be the

■ by MIKE WALTERS

IPSWICH 0
ARSENAL 4

sequel to the Lord Mayor's show – tea and biscuits in the town clerk's office.

Unfortunately for Liverpool, tuning in to events in Suffolk 125 miles away at the King Power, Arsenal did not get the memo.

After 14 minutes of largely one-way traffic, Martin Odegaard missed out on a return pass from Bukayo Saka but Trossard managed to shovel his half-hit shot beyond the unsighted Alex Palmer.

And before half an hour had elapsed, Ipswich were already resigned to their fate.

Saka destroyed Jacob Greaves down the outside, Mikel Merino flicked on his low centre with an exquisite back-heel and lion

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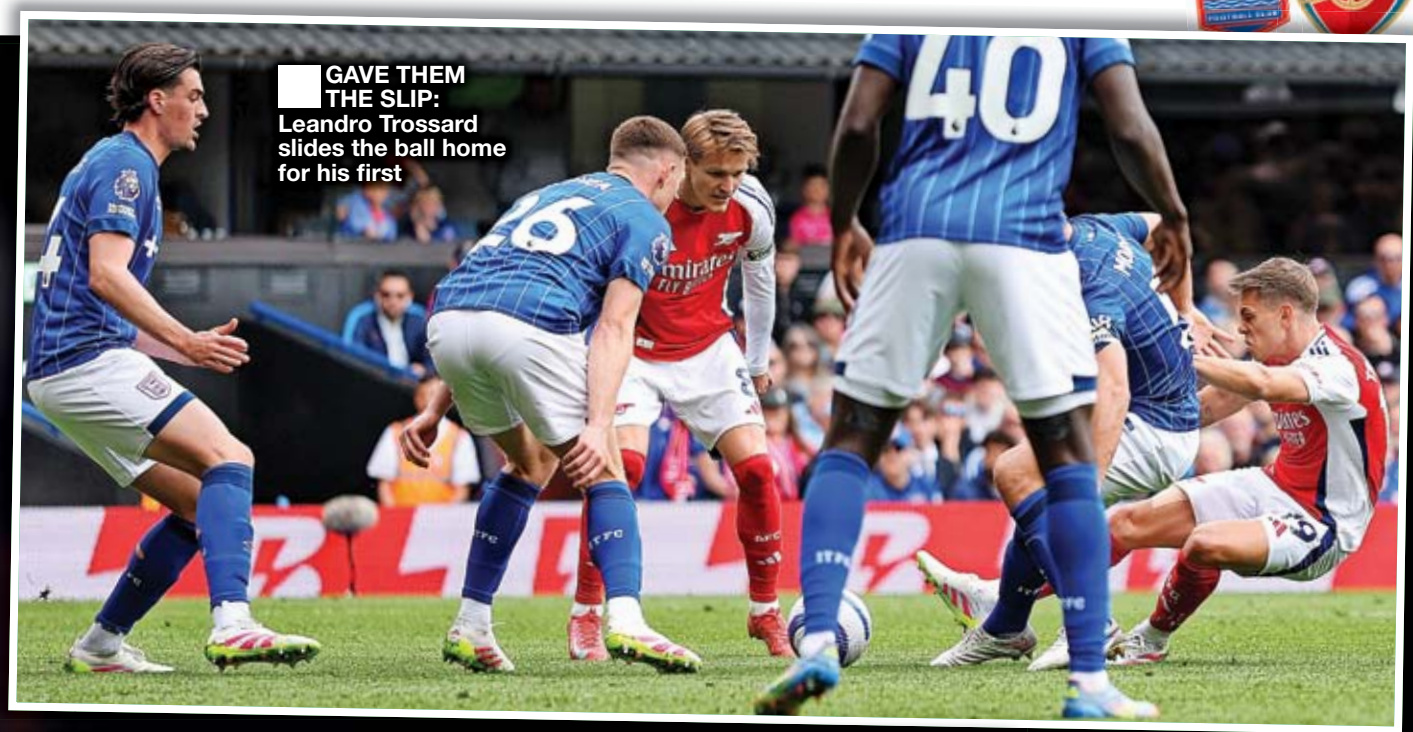
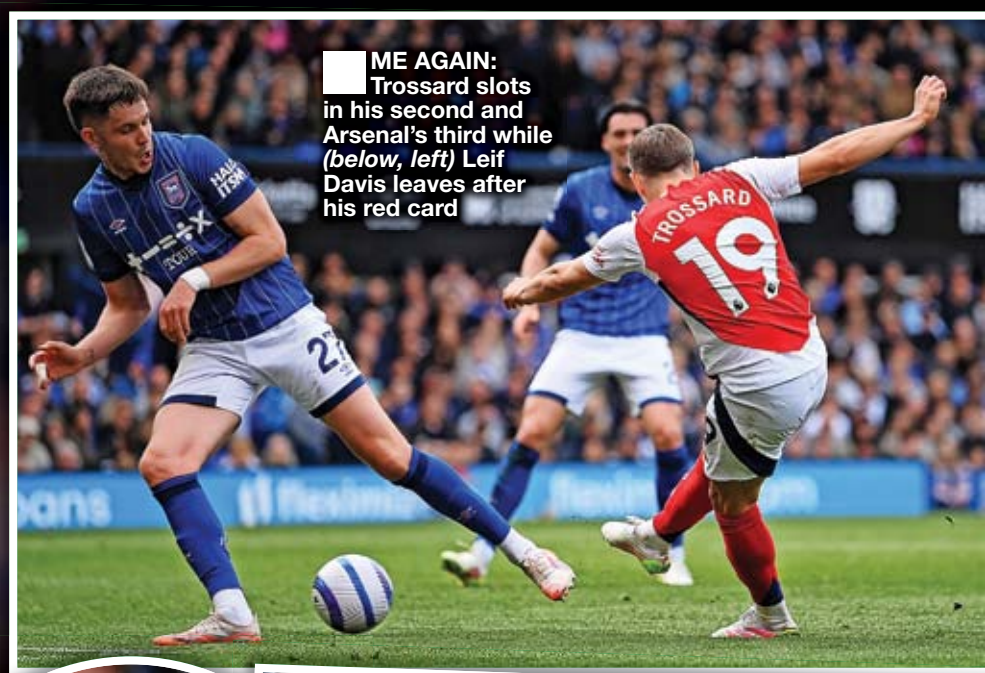


GAVE THEM THE SLIP: Leandro Trossard slides the ball home for his first



ME AGAIN: Trossard slots in his second and Arsenal's third while *(below, left)* Leif Davis leaves after his red card

TWO GOOD: Gabriel Martinelli doubles Arsenal's lead

SHOCKER

From Back Page

until 12 minutes after the interval. And after Arsenal's thumping win, Arteta said: "He was sore but it's nothing serious, so that's positive.

"The referee has made a decision that it is clear. I haven't seen the slow-motion replay, I've just seen the normal-pace image and he cuts him from the back.

"I don't think it's intentional at all, but it's dangerous because he cannot really react."

Asked if he was worried when his key forward went down, Arteta said: "I worry, especially with the numbers that we have right now."

The Gunners boss was thrilled with the domination of the doomed Tractor Boys, adding: "The first 35 minutes were exceptional. We scored two and could have had three or four. We rotated players and rested players. Overall it's a good afternoon."

Ipswich boss Kieran McKenna said: "At the time I didn't think it was a red. Leif hasn't got a malicious bone in his body and there was certainly no intent to cause injury, but when you see the replay, it is a high challenge. I can see why the referee gave it. I can't really have any complaints.

"We were at full stretch trying to compete with 11 v 11, but the red card made it almost impossible."

Ipswich will be down if they lose at Newcastle or West Ham take a point at Brighton on Saturday.

Gunners keep faith against doomed 10 men

of the Bernabeu Gabriel Martinelli arrived unmarked at the far post to devour his 50th goal for Arsenal.

Within two minutes Ipswich's cause went from a long shot to hopeless, Leif Davis collecting a straight red for raking Saka down the back of his right ankle.

With the benefit of TV replays, home fans who clapped off Davis and booed Saka's subsequent touches would have adopted a more balanced view of the incident.

Nine days before Arsenal's European semi-final against Paris St-Germain, Saka was thankfully able to continue – and then missed a hat-trick of chances in eight minutes.

The England winger grazed a post with one curling effort, shanked horribly wide from 10 yards and turned Trossard's low cross beyond the post. Saka was spared further punishment, making way for Ethan Nwaneri 12 minutes after the break, but there was no such respite for Ipswich.

Trossard, afforded generous space from a short-corner routine, ransacked his ninth goal of the season with preposterous ease before Nwaneri's heavily-deflected effort completed the scoring.

Ten-man Ipswich, who started with coveted top scorer Liam Delap on the bench because of a rib injury, have flattered to deceive after a £120m trolley dash – one of the Premier League's biggest net spends – and they have been a big let-down.

Nobody expected them to blaze a trail to Europe after back-to-back promotions, but this year the only Tractor Boys to ruffle feathers in high places were the farmers who brought Westminster to a standstill in protest at having to pay inheritance tax like everyone else.

Ipswich are not down yet.

But as the crucifixion scene from Monty Python's Life of Brian goes – Out of the door, line on the left, one cross each. Next…

IPSWICH (4-4-1-1): Palmer 5; Tuanzebe 5, O'Shea 5, Greaves 4, Davis 3; Johnson 5, Morsy 5 (Chaplin 90), Cajuste 5 (Luongo 82), J Clarke 5 (Burgess 35, 5); Enciso 4 (Taylor 46); Hirst 6 (Delap 82).
ARSENAL (4-2-3-1): Raya 6; White 6, Saliba 7, Kiwior 7, Zinchenko 6; Rice 7 (Tierney 73), Merino 7 (Lewis-Skelly 57, 6); Saka 7 (Nwaneri 57, 7), Odegaard 7, Martinelli 7 (Sterling 73); TROSSARD 8 (Butler-Oyedeji 84).
REFEREE: Chris Kavanagh 7.

BLAST from the PAST

This week in footy back then...

April 23, 2011

Fernando fixes his goals Blues

FERNANDO TORRES' £50m move to Chelsea is hardly going to plan but the Spanish striker at least gets off the mark for the Blues – at the 14th time of asking. Torres, who moved from Liverpool in January, finally scores for his new-ish club in a 3-0 Premier League win over West Ham. It ends a goal drought that lasted 903 minutes and took in 13 barren games.

April 21, 1930

SIX SHOOTERS

LEICESTER and Arsenal fight out a 6-6 draw in a First Division clash at Filbert Street. It is the first time such a score is recorded in a Football League game. It's a bittersweet afternoon for Arsenal's David Halliday, who scores four but fails to come out a winner. A 6-6 scoreline only features once more when Middlesbrough and Charlton share 12 goals in October 1960.

April 21, 2017

Dave's double fault

A HIGHLY unfortunate David Stockdale becomes the first goalkeeper to score two own goals in a League match. The Brighton keeper is hardly to blame with two shots from Norwich's Alex Pritchard hitting the woodwork and going in off Stockdale's back as the Seagulls lose 2-0 in the Championship clash. Up to then there has been 39 own goal braces... but all scored by outfield players.

April 26, 2002

BACK PAGE NEWS!

METATARSAL injuries are all the rage in 2002 and Gary Neville is the latest to feel the pain. He breaks a bone in his foot like best pal David Beckham does just weeks earlier. It rules Red Nev out of the 2002 World Cup, although Becks bounces back to play at the tournament.

No.1 on this day in 1981

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TRENT'S WON

RIPPED: Trent decides to go topless after striking the winner

HIS shirt hung on the corner flag in front of the Liverpool fans.

■ by CHRIS McKENNA

LEICESTER 0
LIVERPOOL 1

The question still remains if Trent Alexander-Arnold will be putting it back on next season.

It was not a kiss of the badge but there was some serious emotion in the celebration of his 76th-minute winner.

The right-back, just five minutes after emerging from the bench on his return from injury, lashed the ball home with his left boot after a scramble in the area saw the Reds hit the woodwork twice.

This was his first appearance since reports emerged that he would be heading to Real Madrid this summer.

There still has been no confirmation from the player that is definitely the case.

Was there a message in the celebration? Who knows? But it certainly was a release of something. He raced towards the away fans in the corner of the King Power Stadium, whipped off his shirt and did a knee slide before letting out a roar.

Maybe it was just the elation of moving the Reds three points closer to the Premier League title.

Skipper Virgil van Dijk pushed him towards the away end at full-time to take the acclaim, but can he be convinced to stay?

What isn't in doubt is Liverpool being Premier League champions. But the champagne remains on ice for now.

They are one step closer to winning the title, as Leicester's fate was sealed. The

Praises of Slot

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the club he is fully committed to the cause after he scored on his return from an ankle injury.

He said: "The line should be today about the goal he scored and not his contract.

"It would be ridiculous if someone argues his commitment for this club.

"No one can argue his commitment to this club."

Virgil van Dijk and Mo Salah have both signed two-year contract extensions in the last 10 days.

But Alexander-Arnold appears to be heading for Spain in the summer.

The full-back said: "I've said all season I'm not going to speak on my situation.

"I'm not going to go into details.

"But days like these are always special."

The 23rd league defeat of the season for Leicester consigned them to relegation.

Boss Ruud van Nistelrooy will sit down with the board in the coming weeks to discuss his future.

He said: "I expected to get more points than I was able to from the games I was able to lead."

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SHIRT STEP

TAA's giant leap is towards title for now

Foxes will return to the Championship. Both scenarios have felt inevitable for weeks now. Liverpool just have to wait a little longer.

Arsenal's win over Ipswich earlier in the day meant this wouldn't be a title-winning party for the Reds.

But if the Gunners lose against Crystal Palace on Wednesday, then Arne Slot's men will be crowned champions while they watch on TV.

Failing that, should Liverpool beat Tottenham next weekend then it will be title No.20 heading to Anfield.

Alexander-Arnold's goal, after Mo Salah had hit the post for the second time in the game and Diogo Jota cracked the woodwork, was his first scored with his left foot. That moment brought drama to a game that was lacking it.

Maybe it was the Gunners' result or the fact the mood around the stadium was a little flat, considering they know what's coming, but it wasn't much of a spectacle in the first half.

It is nine years since the Foxes won the Premier League title. They rightly remind everyone with some nice video montages before kick-off.

But this is now their second relegation in three years and there's growing anger at the owners.

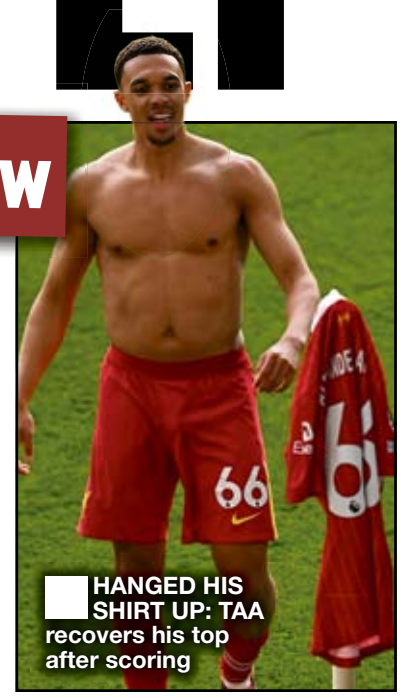
There was even a banner flown from a plane above the stadium calling for the board to be sacked.

It is likely only Ruud van Nistelrooy will lose his job this summer. He has struggled to get a tune out of the Foxes since he became manger in November.

Leicester hit the woodwork early on and had a goal ruled out for a foul on Reds keeper Alisson by Patson Daka before Conor Coady had put it in.

It was the closest they've come to seeing a home goal in the Premier League since December.

LEICESTER (4-2-3-1): HERMANSEN 7; Ricardo 6 (Justin 83), Faes 6, Coady 6, Thomas 6; Ndidi 7 (Skipp 83), Soumare 6; Decordova-Reid 5 (Buonanotte 62, 6), El Khannouss 6, Mavididi 7 (Monga 85); Vardy 5 (Daka 62, 6).
LIVERPOOL (4-2-3-1): Alisson 6; Bradley 5 (Alexander-Arnold 71), Konate 7, Van Dijk 7, Tsimikas 7; Gravenberch 7, Mac Allister 7; Salah 6, Szoboszlai 6 (Elliott 71), Gakpo 6 (Jota 60, 6); Diaz 6 (Jones 90).
REFEREE: Stuart Attwell 5.



HANGED HIS SHIRT UP: TAA recovers his top after scoring

OFFICIALLY LEFT: Alexander-Arnold nets with his wrong 'un for the first time

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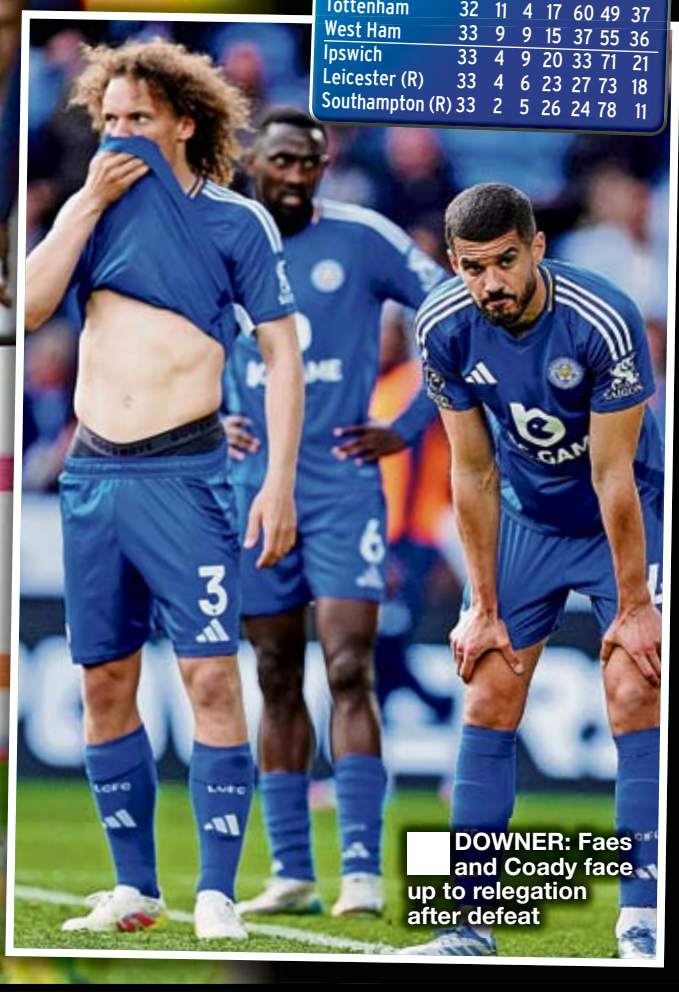

DOWNER: Faes and Coady face up to relegation after defeat

KO BLOW: Tarkowski

It's Tark days for Moyes

■ by KEITH WEBSTER

DAVID MOYES admits James Tarkowski's injury means he will have to try out alternatives to cover for the centre-back.

The defensive linchpin, 32, made his 109th consecutive Premier League appearance in the 2-0 defeat to Manchester City, but seems unlikely to be able to maintain that run after a hamstring injury forced him off early in the second half.

His absence resulted in a change in the dynamic as his replacement Michael Keane, who has not played for two and a half months, had an afternoon to forget.

One mistake almost cost a goal and a lack of awareness led to Nico O'Reilly making the crucial 84th-minute breakthrough, shortly followed by Mateo Kovacic doubling the lead.

Moyes chose not to move Jake O'Brien from the right to centre-back.

The Toffees boss said: "It's given me a chance to see what we can do and how we're going to play.

"We could have moved Jake but we felt that would meant changing two positions instead of one."

Report: See pullout

Scare for Fernando

■ by DARREN WELLS

FORMER Liverpool and Real Madrid striker Fernando Morientes says he almost died after suffering a pulmonary embolism that kept him in hospital for five days.

The three-time Champions League winner, who has since made a full recovery, told COPE's Tiempo de Juego: "I was feeling ill after so many trips.

"On one of them my chest started to hurt, a stabbing pain below my sternum. That night I felt something and immediately went to the doctor.

"They started looking at my heart. It was a pulmonary embolism.

"It's a clot that formed in my knee due to the excess air on the plane and in the car. My blood began to thicken in the air and rose to my lung."

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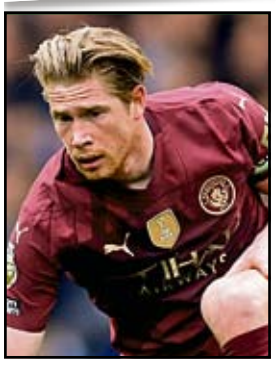

SHOCKED: De Bruyne

KDB: I wanted to stay

■ by JOHN RICHARDSON

KEVIN DE BRUYNE has revealed his Manchester City axing came out of the blue and left him shocked.

And the 33-year-old midfielder, clearly affected by the decision, also claimed that:

■ He did not want to leave the club he joined in 2015.

■ He is open to offers, including in the Premier League.

■ He waited days to go public while he digested the news.

The Belgium international arrived at the Etihad 10 years ago as a £55m record signing and has been instrumental in the club winning six league titles, two FA Cups, five League Cups and the Champions League.

But City announced two weeks ago that he was not in their future plans.

De Bruyne alerted City's Premier rivals, saying: "It came as a bit of a shock.

"I'm open for anything (including staying in the Premier League)."

Full story: Pullout

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SAKA SHOCKER

GUN DOWN: Bukayo Saka rolls in agony and later *(inset right)* gets ice applied to his injured leg

■ by MIKE WALTERS

MIKEL ARTETA admitted his heart skipped a beat after the "dangerous" red-card tackle which left Arsenal star Bukayo Saka limping.

But the Gunners boss breathed a sigh of relief and revealed the damage is "not too serious" – with Saka hopeful of facing Paris St-Germain in next week's Champions League semi-final first leg.

Ipswich full-back Leif Davis was given a straight red card by referee Chris Kavanagh for the late, stomping challenge.

The England winger, who has only just returned from a three-month injury lay-off, was able to continue

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ARSENAL 4

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TAA VERY MUCH

SHIRT-SHRIFT: Some fans questioned Trent Alexander-Arnold's loyalty but his goal yesterday should guarantee another Premier League crown and win critics over

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SUMMER LOVE-IN: Arne Slot hugs Trent Alexander-Arnold but will they stay together?

Trent goal's a big deal as Slot praises his attitude

■ by CHRIS McKENNA

ARNE SLOT claimed it is ridiculous to question Trent Alexander-Arnold's commitment after his supersub show.

Alexander-Arnold whipped off his shirt in a wild celebration after scoring the goal at Leicester which put Liverpool within one win of the Premier League title.

The Reds right-back had been criticised after reports emerged that he could head to Real Madrid this summer on a free.

But Liverpool boss Slot has no doubt that while he is playing for

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Dane a dud again but Ruben still big fan

WASTE LUND: United striker sees another chance go begging as *(right)* Amorim feels the pain

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by JEREMY CROSS
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RUBEN AMORIM defended Rasmus Hojlund as Wolves brought Manchester United crashing back down to earth.

Pablo Sarabia *(below)* sealed victory with a second-half free-kick as United slumped to a 15th league defeat of the season.

It came just 72 hours after their thrilling fightback to beat Lyon and reach the Europa League semi-finals.

Hojlund was one of several United flops to miss chances. The Danish striker

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ORSOLINI HOLDS UP INTER CHASE

BOLOGNA 1
INTER 0

Serie A

INTER MILAN opened the door for Napoli in the Serie A title race after slipping to a surprise last-gasp 1-0 defeat at Bologna yesterday.

The Nerazzurri remain top of the table on goal difference after title rivals Napoli drew level on points with a 1-0 win at Monza on Saturday, courtesy of Scott McTominay's winner.

Inter, who are still chasing a treble after knocking Bayern Munich out of the Champions League last week, looked to be salvaging a point heading into the final stages of a tight match.

But Bologna, who moved into the top four with their win, snatched a 94th-minute winner through Riccardo Orsolini's acrobatic scissor-kick. Orsolini (celebrating at the final whistle, above) whipped his shirt off after scoring.

Empoli drew 2-2 with Venezia, while AC Milan lost 1-0 to Atalanta, who scored through Ederson.

A REAL SICKENER FOR LEVERKUSEN

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Bundesliga/La Liga

BAYER LEVERKUSEN'S faint title hopes suffered a hammer blow following a week when head coach Xabi Alonso became the leading candidate to take over at Real Madrid.

Alonso has been installed as the bookies' favourite to replace outgoing Madrid boss Carlo Ancelotti.

But there is unlikely to be a repeat of last season's title heroics at Leverkusen after St Pauli rescued a 1-1 draw yesterday to put Bayern Munich in pole position.

Carlo Boukhalfa's 78th-minute equaliser (above) cancelled out Patrik Schick's opener, leaving Bayern needing five points from their remaining four matches to clinch the title.

Borussia Dortmund kept alive their hopes of a top-four spot with a 3-2 win over Borussia Monchengladbach.

In Spain, Federico Valverde hit a stunning late winner as Madrid beat Athletic Bilbao 1-0.

LYON? WOLVES

After the midweek comeback thriller in Europe,

RAS IS NOT ONLY ONE

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has now scored just one goal in his last 28 games.

But despite being desperate to sign a world-class striker this summer, Amorim insists the lack of goals is a problem for the whole team – and not just Hojlund.

Amorim said: "We were the better team but in the end it doesn't matter because if we don't score goals, nothing matters.

"We lack a lot of things in our team, including that we miss chances. If we do not score goals, we are not going to win.

"We have a lot to do and to focus on improving the team, and understand until we do, the league is going to be like this.

"If you look at the games, we have several players that missed big chances.

"But for Rasmus, the game is to score goals because he is a striker. But it is a team thing.

"Our team should score more goals. It is not just Rasmus missing chances, it is all the team."

Amorim admits he will keep picking Hojlund until the end of the season, adding: "The only way I know is to work on him, show him the videos. But he needs to score one. Maybe that's all a striker needs."

Wolves' fifth straight win also saw them do the league double over United for the first time since 1980.

Boss Vitor Pereira (above) said: "It was a fantastic goal. I am not looking at the relegation zone. Instead, I'm looking for the position we can reach."

PREMIER LEAGUE

MAN UTD		WOLVES
60%	POSSESSION	40%
2	SHOTS ON TARGET	2
6	SHOTS OFF TARGET	1
559	TOTAL PASSES	388
89%	PASSING SUCCESS	82%
9	CORNERS	2
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MAN OF THE MATCH
PABLO SARABIA

MAN UNITED 0
WOLVES 1

BY **JEREMY CROSS**

MANCHESTER UNITED'S resurrection lasted less than 72 hours.

That was all it took for them to revert back to the ridiculous from the sublime.

United treated supporters to one of the greatest comebacks in their history last week against Lyon in the Europa League.

But inside the same ground on Easter Sunday subjected them to an experience they will find hard to forget for all the wrong reasons after losing to a side even lower than themselves in the table.

Substitute Pablo Sarabia's superb free-kick, with his first touch of the game, was enough to seal a Wolves win and help United set another unwanted record.

Because the Red Devils have now lost 15 league games in a season for the first time since 1990.

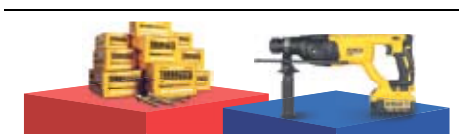
Coach Ruben Amorim didn't just rotate his squad, he stuck it on a waltzer at full speed.

The Portuguese handed a debut to Tyler Fredricson and a first Old Trafford start for Harry Amass. The five changes also included a rare start for Victor Lindelof, Kobbie Mainoo started up front and Harry Maguire, Bruno Fernandes and Casemiro were all rested.

This game might have been meaningful had it been back in December. It would have been a relegation battle.

But Wolves must have been jumping up and down with excitement in the dressing room before kick-off.

Wolves, who also welcomed back Matheus Cunha for the first time since the start of March, were going in search of their first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SLAUGHTER LAMBS

United go back to their old ways and offer only meek surrender

FREE & GLEESY! Sarabia nets with a great free-kick to earn Wolves the points at Old Trafford

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league double over United since 1980.

It seemed United would be like lambs to the slaughter, heading out to be ravaged by a pack of Wolves.

But this all felt more like having a cup of tea with the local vicar, when compared to the heavy metal frenzy of last Thursday night.

It took 22 minutes for either side to register a shot at goal.

And when it came, Nelson Semedo's wild effort flew high into the stand.

Other incidents which threatened to see a game of football break out included Mainoo trying to con the referee into awarding a penalty for the hosts and Patrick Dorgu crossing into the Wolves box for no United player to get on the end of.

Christian Eriksen saw a free-kick tipped over, while Mainoo curled a shot just wide of the far post.

At this stage, though, it looked like a protest from home fans in front of the directors' box about the running of the club was going to be the most exciting thing to happen all afternoon.

Some supporters held up a banner hammering co-owner Sir Jim Ratcliffe, telling him "he knew the price of everything and the value of nothing".

The protest might have had a little more impact had Ratcliffe actually been in the ground. But never mind.

Even when Wolves' Emmanuel Agbadou made a mistake to allow Rasmus Hojlund to charge towards goal, it all came to nothing.

It proved just how much United need Fernandes.

And so Amorim threw on his talisman with 30 minutes left as part of a triple substitution.

Fernandes brought a pulse to United, who should have ended the tedium on 64 minutes when Alejandro Garnacho sent in a superb cross, but Hojlund failed to tap it in.

And minutes later Wolves went ahead thanks to a stunning free-kick from Sarabia (right).

Sadly for Amorim, there was no fairy-tale fightback this time.

MAN UNITED (3-4-3): Onana 7; Mazraoui 6, Lindelof 6 (Yoro 78), Fredricson 7; Dorgu 6 (Dalot 59, 6), Eriksen 6, Ugarte 7 (Fernandes 59, 7), Amass 8; Garnacho 6, Mainoo 7 (Mount 59, 6), Hojlund 4 (Chido 70, 5).

WOLVES (4-3-3): Bentley 7; Semedo 6 (R Gomes 74), Bueno 6, Agbadou 5, Toti 6; Ait-Nouri 7 (Doherty 82), Andre 6, J Gomes 6; Munetsi 6, Cunha 7 (Djiga 90), Strand Larsen 6 (Sarabia 74).

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HARSH LESSON WITH NO SILVA LINING

BY **GRAHAM THOMAS**

FULHAM boss Marco Silva, whose team (inset) can count themselves unlucky having had the better of Chelsea for much of the match prior to Tyrique George's goal, said circumstances were stacked against his team.

"It is what it is," he said. "We didn't have (Rodrigo) Muniz, we didn't have Emile Smith Rowe, but this is our squad and we have to respect all of them.

"Carlos Vinicius has not been playing enough this season and when he gets his chance, he is going to give his heart, but it is not the same as players who are playing more. Rodrigo is a big miss for us.

"I really believe the result was very harsh for us, but the second half was not at our level and we lost the game. In the second half we didn't play our best and were punished.

"Even if they didn't create enough to claim two goals. But the reality is that we didn't play the second half like we did the first half."

But while Fulham's hopes of a Champions League place seem to have gone, they can still make the Europa or Conferences Leagues.

"We have five finals to play, we are in a bunch of clubs that can fight for something important [European qualification] and we have to fight."

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Tyrique George smashes the equaliser after being brought on as substitute

FULHAM 1 CHELSEA 2

BY **GRAHAM THOMAS**

CHELSEA fans may have had their trust in Enzo Maresca shaken – but at least they can keep the faith thanks to the brilliance of Pedro Neto.

The Portugal winger scored a breathtaking stoppage-time winner that turned this West London derby on its head and revived the Blues' Champions League hopes.

In the build-up, Maresca had asked his supporters to trust him, but that looked a commodity in short supply when they were trailing 1-0 with just seven minutes of normal time remaining.

But 19-year-old substitute Tyrique George scrambled a goal back, before a revived Chelsea broke Fulham's hearts – and maybe the Cottagers' European dreams – with a magnificent and unstoppable shot deep into added time.

Cole Palmer and Enzo Fernandez, whose contributions had been slender to that point, combined to set up Neto, who controlled, swivelled, and unleashed a thunderous shot in one graceful movement.

It means Chelsea are up to fifth place in the table after their first away win in the Premier League since December 8.

After eight away games without a win, they are now just two points adrift of third-placed Newcastle.

Fulham had already put the frighteners on Chelsea well before they took the lead.

They had a goal disallowed for offside – confirmed by a VAR check – when Andreas Pereira rolled the ball home after a cutback from Ryan Sessegnon in the fourth minute.

By then, Sessegnon had given a foretaste of the discomfort he planned to inflict on Marc Cucurella when he twisted the Chelsea full-back inside out with an early run.

The goal that was wiped out owed a good deal to Sessegnon's pace and it was the winger who provided a classy assist when Fulham eventually took the lead in the 20th minute.

After Reece James was caught in possession, Sessegnon advanced down the left before sliding a sharp ball inside for Alex Iwobi, who took one touch and drilled low and forcefully into the far corner.

Palmer, without a goal in his last 15 games, was a subdued and marginalised figure, leaving Neto on the left as the Blues' main threat.

The £54m Portuguese managed to curl some inviting crosses across Fulham's goalmouth, but Nicolas Jackson seemed to read them only once the ball had sped by.

Before their turnaround, Chelsea's troubles were summed up by Palmer, but they are not really of his making.

The England star's 12 goals for his club before the turn of the year required others to provide a secure platform.

But far too often Fernandez and Moises Caicedo – the £220m shield meant to enable Palmer to strut his stuff – were knocked off the ball and out of their stride by Fulham's energy and urgency.

Chelsea improved after the break – it would have been hard for them to be any less threatening – but when a rare chance finally opened up for Palmer in the 68th minute, under pressure, he snatched at it and skied the ball high over from 15 yards. It looked as if that might be curtains for the visitors, but to their credit they refused to accept what would have been a disastrous defeat, even if things looked unlikely to go their way.

George struck in the 83rd minute when Neto, Chelsea's most effective and reliable player, provoked danger in Fulham ranks.

The ball broke to the Blues youngster, who fired a low shot into the corner of the net from the edge of the box.

That infused Chelsea with fresh belief and they stole the points with Neto's glorious winner.

FULHAM (4-2-3-1): Leno 7; Tete 7 (Castagne 78), Andersen 6, Bassey 7, Robinson 8; Lukic 6 (Cairney 72), Berge 7; Pereira 6, Iwobi 7 (Traore 85), Sessegnon 8 (Wilson 79); Jimenez 7 (Vinicius 84).

CHELSEA (4-2-3-1): Sanchez 6; James 6 (Gusto 46, 6, Adarabioyo 89), Chalobah 5, Colwill 6, Cucurella 6; Fernandez 6, Caicedo 6; Madueke 5 (Sancho 46, 6), Palmer 6, Neto 8, Jackson 5 (George 78).

PREMIER LEAGUE

FULHAM		CHELSEA
40%	POSSESSION	60%
1	SHOTS ON TARGET	8
2	SHOTS OFF TARGET	3
339	TOTAL PASSES	527
81%	PASSING SUCCESS	88%
6	CORNERS	4
1	OFFSIDE	0
13	FOULS	9
0 1	CARDS	4 0

REF: Anthony Taylor ATT: 27,712

MAN OF THE MATCH

PEDRO NETO

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YOU'VE JUST WON ...COR NETO!

Pedro strike steals derby fightback and keeps Blues in Champions League race

BEST TILL LAST
Pedro Neto is mobbed after bending home his late Blues winner (above)

ENZO HAPPY TO LET PLAYERS ENJOY FAN-TASTIC CELEBRATIONS

BY **GRAHAM THOMAS**

ENZO MARESCA insisted his quick getaway at the final whistle was to let his Chelsea players enjoy their dramatic victory – rather than a pointed snub to the fans.

The Blues boss (left) gave a brief handshake to his coaches and then disappeared down the tunnel, while his men wildly celebrated a win which could turn their season around.

"I was very happy because it is a nice feeling to win the game at the end," said Maresca, whose relationship with Blues supporters has been prickly.

"But the players deserved to celebrate with the fans, that is the reason why I left the pitch early. It was a nice moment for the players and the fans." Nor was Maresca in any mood to admit Pedro Neto's magnificent stoppage-time strike may have saved his team's season.

The Italian clearly feels he has already delivered a triumph by guiding his team to the fringes of the Champions League places and anything more – like actual qualification – is a bonus.

A stoney-faced Maresca added: "The goal from Pedro doesn't change the season.

"I have said already, in the last three years we have never been in the Champions League spots. So, the goal doesn't change it. It's already a good season.

"I was quite positive (at 1-0 down) because I think the team was creating chances.

"Sometime you also have to be a little bit lucky. I think Tyrique George's **(left)** goal gave us energy, an extra boost, but the team was performing well."

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IT'S CRUNCH TYNE FOR TOON DEFENCE

BY **NEIL MOXLEY**

STAND-IN Toon chief Jason Tindall faces an anxious wait this week.

Newcastle's caretaker boss is sweating on the outcome of injuries at the heart of his defence that could prove crucial during the Premier League run-in.

Fabian Schar was substituted towards the end of the mauling at Villa Park, with Tindall explaining afterwards that the centre-half was "feeling his hamstring". It is uncertain whether Sven Botman will return for Saturday's match against Ipswich at St James' Park.

And with Jamaal Lascelles out of action – potentially for the rest of the season – it leaves Tindall (left) with a decision to make.

He can press Emil Krafth into emergency service against the Tractor Boys but, whichever way he turns, he's taking a risk.

With Tyneside jumping after completing the double over Manchester United and thumping five past Crystal Palace in midweek, the clash between the Premier League's most in-form sides turned into a turkey shoot in the second half.

Aston Villa took the early initiative but were pegged back by Schar's header from Harvey Barnes' deep left-wing cross.

However, once Ian Maatsen restored Villa's lead, Newcastle were swept aside by Unai Emery's men.

Tindall said: "I felt we did all right in the first half. But, on reflection, it was a step too far in the second half.

"Three games in seven days perhaps caught up with us."

MAAT FINISH Dutch defender Maatsen scores Villa's second goal past Toon keeper Pope

ASTON VILLA 4 NEWCASTLE 1

BY **NEIL MOXLEY**

UNAI EMERY excluded £65m worth of players from the 18-man squad that dished out a lesson to European rivals Newcastle.

Aston Villa's boss had to pull Leon Bailey and Pau Torres to one side before kick-off to explain himself.

But a glance at the strength of Villa's substitutes' bench on Saturday evening reinforced the feeling that this is the best squad ever seen at Villa Park.

Record signing Amadou Onana (£50m) was joined by Lucas Digne (£25m) and Donyell Malen (£18m) in waiting for the call to join the action.

And how can you put a value on Marcus Rashford or Jacob Ramsey, who were also sitting waiting patiently for their chance? Add Axel Disasi and Ross Barkley into the conversation and there is some serious talent waiting in the wings.

Villa are coming to the boil. For the first time since taking over two-and-a-half years ago, Emery has an empty treatment room. They visit Manchester City tomorrow and are in just the kind of mood to test Pep Guardiola's side at a venue that has been a claret-and-blue killing ground in seasons past.

Emery said: "When I arrived here it was my objective to play more matches in the season, in Europe, and in the cups. Our levels have increased, clearly.

"We are going to be playing more than 55 matches this year. Last season, we played more than 55.

"There are more players in the national team. We had problems before because we didn't have enough players available to play, we weren't achieving points because we didn't have some players fit, or they were injured, or they were not getting the level we needed.

"Now – and always in my career as a coach – when I perform better it is when I have players available and two players per position, more or less, playing and performing well.

"We are in this moment, and our momentum is the squad's momentum, not only the 11 players.

"It is necessary to have players ready to play, and players ready on the bench.

"This was the first time this season I had to take players out of the squad because every player was available.

"It was for different circumstances that I decided to leave out Pau (Torres), Leon Bailey and Lamare Bogarde.

"It's good for me to make this decision. I want moments like that."

Emery's programme notes were unusually strident in pointing out the value of defeating the Toon. His right-hand man, Damian Vidagany, amplified it on his X feed, saying: "This is as important as a Champions League semi-final."

There was no suggestion of any hangover from the painful two-legged defeat by Paris Saint-Germain. With such a quick turnaround, there wasn't time for anyone to feel sorry for themselves.

Ollie Watkins struck in the first minute before Fabian Schar levelled. But Villa won it with a blistering three-goal spell in 11 second-half minutes through Ian Maatsen, a Dan Burn own goal and Onana (circle, right).

Villa's boss added: "We played in the Champions League in the first part of the season. After those matches, we weren't performing well. After we lost against PSG, we reacted so quickly because our objective again is to be in Europe and to get there through the Premier League.

"There are still 15 points to play for and we are behind other teams. The players are aware of how difficult it is going to be and of their responsibility to respond as they did."

Villa lie seventh in the table but just two points behind Newcastle in third. After the trip to City tomorrow, they face Crystal Palace in the FA Cup semi-final and are then at home to Fulham.

PREMIER LEAGUE

ASTON VILLA		NEWCASTLE
49%	POSSESSION	51%
9	SHOTS ON TARGET	3
10	SHOTS OFF TARGET	4
409	TOTAL PASSES	430
84%	PASSING SUCCESS	85%
7	CORNERS	7
0	OFFSIDES	1
9	FOULS	12
0 1	CARDS	3 0

REF: Jarred Gillett ATT: 42,618

MAN OF THE MATCH
OLLIE WATKINS

ASTON VILLA (4-2-3-1): Martinez 6; Cash 7, Konsa 7, Mings 7, Maatsen 7; Tielemans 8, Kamara 7 (Barkley 82); McGinn 7 (Ramsey 72), Asensio 6 (Onana 72), Rogers 8 (Malen 82); Watkins 9 (Rashford 82).

NEWCASTLE (4-3-3): Pope 6; Trippier 5 (Krafth 76), Schar 5 (Targett 82), Burn 6, Livramento 6; Tonali 5, Guimaraes 6, Joelinton 6; Murphy 5 (Gordon 65, 5), Barnes 7 (Willock 76), Isak 5 (Wilson 76).

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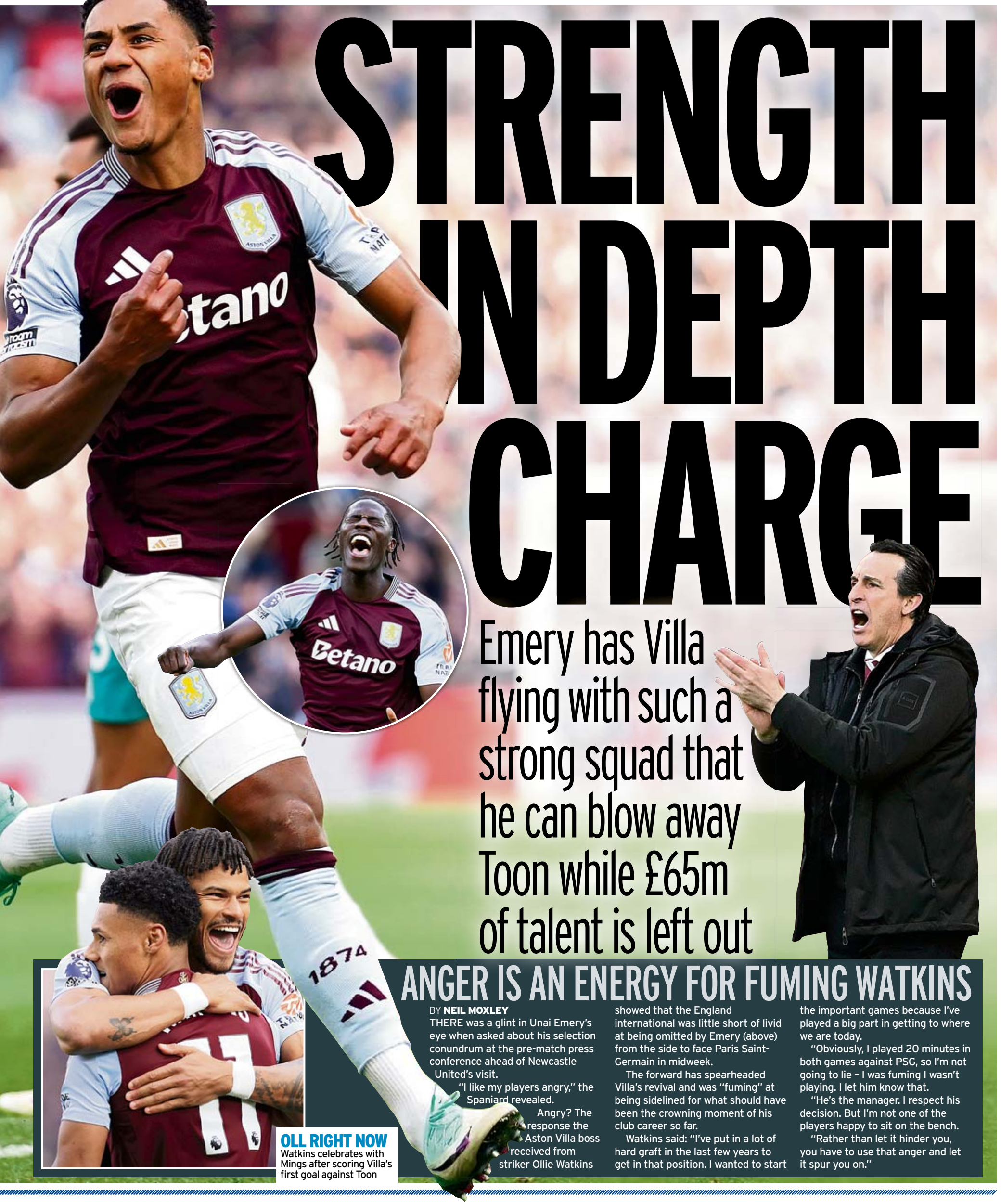
STRENGTH IN DEPTH CHARGE

Emery has Villa flying with such a strong squad that he can blow away Toon while £65m of talent is left out



OLL RIGHT NOW Watkins celebrates with Mings after scoring Villa's first goal against Toon

ANGER IS AN ENERGY FOR FUMING WATKINS

BY **NEIL MOXLEY**

THERE was a glint in Unai Emery's eye when asked about his selection conundrum at the pre-match press conference ahead of Newcastle United's visit.

"I like my players angry," the Spaniard revealed.

Angry? The response the Aston Villa boss received from striker Ollie Watkins showed that the England international was little short of livid at being omitted by Emery (above) from the side to face Paris Saint-Germain in midweek.

The forward has spearheaded Villa's revival and was "fuming" at being sidelined for what should have been the crowning moment of his club career so far.

Watkins said: "I've put in a lot of hard graft in the last few years to get in that position. I wanted to start the important games because I've played a big part in getting to where we are today.

"Obviously, I played 20 minutes in both games against PSG, so I'm not going to lie – I was fuming I wasn't playing. I let him know that.

"He's the manager. I respect his decision. But I'm not one of the players happy to sit on the bench.

"Rather than let it hinder you, you have to use that anger and let it spur you on."

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LIFE O'REILLY
Nico O'Reilly scores to put City in front at Goodison Park

NICO'S LEFT BUZZING BY HIGH-FIVE SALUTE JOY

BY **JOHN RICHARDSON**

NICO O'REILLY received a high-five from delighted Manchester City director of football Txiki Begiristain after his second Premier League goal from his left-back role.

The celebration came outside the City dressing room in the knowledge that O'Reilly had helped move his club closer to a Champions League place and all the riches that come with it.

O'Reilly said: "It was a great feeling, running over to the fans to celebrate. It's crazy, it feels like my dreams are coming true.

"But it's just the start. I need to keep going."

Not a natural left-back – he is more at home in midfield – O'Reilly added: "It's a tough challenge adapting to a new position and I'm learning every day."

On his 84th-minute goal he said: "Patience was the key. They were very good defensively and we had to break them down.

"The time came and we were clinical for both goals."

IT'S TOUGH WITHOU

BY **JOHN RICHARSON**

DEFENDER Jake O'Brien admits Everton face a big challenge if James Tarkowski is ruled out for the rest of the season with a hamstring injury.

The defensive linchpin was forced off early in the second half and was missed when Manchester City produced a two-goal sting late in the game.

O'Brien said: "He is a big part of the team and how we play.

"There were moments in the game when we needed to dig in and defend better. We didn't do it.

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BIG DECISION
Soriano and Begiristain (right) made call to let De Bruyne leave City

EVERTON 0
MAN CITY 2

BY **JOHN RICHARDSON**

NOTHING much has stopped Kevin De Bruyne becoming one of the Premier League greats – and nothing was going to halt his candid opinions on his Manchester City career coming to an end.

Even if they were in earshot of the two men who may have wielded the axe, Etihad CEO Ferran Soriano and director of football Txiki Begiristain.

And just for good measure incoming sporting director Hugo Viana was also in the cramped Goodison Park corridor next to the changing rooms as he bared his soul.

Safe to say the Belgian, 33, isn't too pleased at being told his time is up at City. "It was Txiki and Ferran who told me," he revealed.

Then as the City hierarchy was pointed out to him a few yards away he continued: "I don't feel awkward with them (being in the corridor). In the end it is what it is. You have to accept people taking decisions. I told them also that I still think I had a lot to give. I know I'm not 25 any more, but I feel like I'm doing my job.

"It came as a bit of a shock, but I'm open for anything (including staying in the Premier League). I have to look at the whole picture – sporting, the family, everything together – for what makes the most sense for my family. I don't know what it is. It depends on when you speak to people about projects and things.

"I know I can play at a good level. I have to make that decision once I really know more (of the offers)."

De Bruyne, who was warmly applauded by both sets of fans when substituted, played his part in a hard-earned victory which increases the chance of Champions League qualification, admitting he suffered in the days following City's decision not to offer him a new contract, with the current one ending in the summer.

"It was half a week before I reported the news. My family weren't at home either. They were on an Easter break. It was a bit weird, but it is what it is," added KDB.

"It was a very brief meeting. I don't really feel like I want to share what was said because it was basically more business-wise for them. They just made the decision based on that.

"It was not really a long conversation. It was just what they told me. I have to accept the situation, even though I feel like I can still do a good job, that's it. I like to play football, I like to compete. I can't say like I want to quit because I still feel when I'm in training I still want to beat the guys in the club.

"I feel like I'm doing really well and that's why I've been playing a lot lately."

De Bruyne feels that City's

underwhelming season, in stark contrast to the previous four title-winning campaigns, has contributed to his imperious reign coming to an end.

"Maybe if the team hadn't struggled and I had come back like now and bedded in like normal, then maybe they would have taken another decision, I don't know," said De Bruyne (getting support from a young fan above).

"I believe I'm in good shape. I've got over the hernia injury and in the last six or seven weeks I feel good.

"No, I don't think the decision will change, despite how I'm playing. I don't know about the Club World Cup (in summer)."

What he does know is he contributed to three important points, with late goals coming from City youngster Nico O'Reilly and Mateo Kovacic.

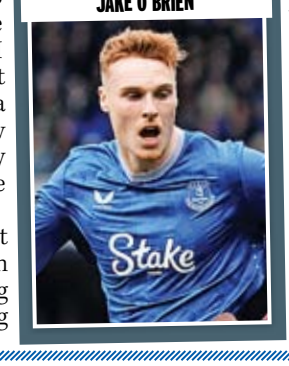
EVERTON (4-2-3-1): Pickford 8; O'Brien 8, Tarkowski 7 (Keane 51, 6), Branthwaite, Mykolenko 6; Gueye 6 (Iroegbunam 79), Garner 7; Harrison 6 (O'Neil 79); Doucoure 6, Ndiaye 6 (Alcaraz 79); Broja 5 (Beto 63, 6).
MAN CITY (4-2-3-1): Ortega 7; Nunes 6, Dias 6, Gvardiol 6, O'Reilly 7; Gonzalez 6 (Kovacic 78) ,Gundogan 7; Silva 6, De Bruyne 7 (Akanji 88) Savinho 6 (Doku 78); Marmoush 6.

PREMIER LEAGUE

EVERTON		MAN CITY
33%	POSSESSION	67%
2	SHOTS ON TARGET	7
2	SHOTS OFF TARGET	3
318	TOTAL PASSES	674
78%	PASSING SUCCESS	89%
2	CORNERS	5
5	OFFSIDES	0
7	FOULS	6
0 4	CARDS	0 0

REF: Simon Hooper ATT: 39,332

MAN OF THE MATCH
JAKE O'BRIEN



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elow) is nt, O'Brien could be moved from right-back to his favoured central defensive role.

"Maybe, I don't know yet," said the Irish international.

"We will see what the gaffer has in mind in training.

"As long as I'm playing I don't mind. If he wants me to play at centre-back, then I am more than happy to."

This was only Everton's third defeat in 14 games under David Moyes and O'Brien added: "We need to pick up as many wins as we can so that we are nice and positive and bring something into the new ground."

WE'VE FAILED TO CON-VERT OUR CHANCES

C PALACE 0
BOURNEM'TH 0

BY **RYAN TAYLOR**

JUSTIN KLUIVERT believes Bournemouth could have been in the race for the Champions League places if they had not dropped so many cheap points.

The Dutch forward has mustered 12 goals and six assists in the Premier League this season.

But his timely return to action following a recent muscle injury was unable to inspire victory against 10-man Crystal Palace, who had Chris Richards sent off.

The Cherries have now won just one of their past eight top-flight matches.

And when asked if Bournemouth could have been in top-five contention had it not been for their inconsistency, Kluivert said: "Perhaps that's the same for every team, but we could have been there for sure.

"We are still in the race for European football and that's our goal."

Despite the frustration of dropping points in South London, there was a silver lining for Andoni Iraola's ambitious side.

They have 49 points, breaking their club record Premier League points haul, which they set last season in Iraola's debut campaign at the helm.

The feat serves as a source of pride for Kluivert, who said of the achievement: "The history that we are making is beautiful. To have achieved something like this makes me very proud."

Bournemouth have four crunch fixtures against Manchester United, Arsenal, Aston Villa and Manchester City before hosting Leicester on the final day of the campaign. The road to Europe still looks somewhat complex, but Kluivert (above, hurdling Adam Wharton) is just grateful to be fit again as he found it difficult to watch the team while sidelined.

He added: "It was frustrating because I also saw those games and they were big opportunities, both for the team and myself.

"Unfortunately I couldn't play those, but I am so happy to be back, be fit again and I want to help the team from now on. Today was frustrating, we felt like if we scored, we would have got more."

The other major positive for the Cherries was a second consecutive clean sheet. Kluivert paid tribute to impressive central defensive duo of Illia Zabarnyi and Dean Huijsen.

The Dutchman concluded: "They have been doing amazing. They are very important for us and for the club."

PREMIER LEAGUE

C PALACE		BOURNEMOUTH
27%	POSSESSION	73%
0	SHOTS ON TARGET	4
2	SHOTS OFF TARGET	6
210	TOTAL PASSES	570
61%	PASSING SUCCESS	88%
5	CORNERS	4
1	OFFSIDES	1
13	FOULS	10
1 3	CARDS	4 0

REF: Sam Barrott ATT: 25,185

MAN OF THE MATCH
ILLIA ZABARNYI

CRYSTAL PALACE (3-4-2-1): Henderson 7; Richards 5, Lacroix 7, Guehi 6; Munoz 6, Wharton 6 (Kamada 75), Hughes 7, Mitchell 6; Sarr 6 (Devenny 90), Eze 6 (Lerma 46, 7); Mateta 5 (Nketiah 75).
BOURNEMOUTH (4-2-3-1): Kepa 7; Smith 7 (Araujo 85), Zabarnyi 8, Huijsen 7, Kerkez 7; Adams 6 (Tavernier 61, 6), Scott 6 (Cook 46, 6); Semenyo 6, Kluivert 6, Ouattara 7 (Brooks 68, 6); Evanilson 6.

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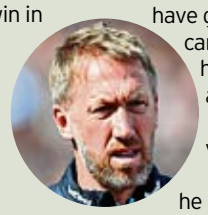
STRIKER TAKES POTSHOT AT HAMMERS

BY **STEVE JUDGE**

GRAHAM POTTER'S disappointment with how his West Ham side threw away the chance of a first win in six games was mild in comparison to Niclas Fullkrug.



The Hammers German striker is finally finding his feet and his voice after an injury-plagued season.

He claimed an assist for Jarrod Bowen's 47th-minute opener, but blasted the Hammers in a Sky Sports interview as having a mindset problem after sitting back and allowing rock-bottom Southampton back into the game.

He said: "We showed that we can have good possession, that we can go in behind and that we have the chances to score again. But the motivation, sorry we were s***. I'm very angry."

Boss Potter (left) knows he has plenty of work to do between now and the start of next season.

He said: "It has been a tough season for everybody. So there's a bit of tension, there's a bit of apprehension, there's a bit of human feelings that are around.

"That's OK. And then we have to understand that to be able to be the home team in the Premier League, you have to stand and be the protagonist.

"You have to be the one that controls the game through attacking football.

"And at the moment, I don't think we're able to do that well enough.

"It's not from a lack of trying, but we haven't been able to do it. We're not where we want to be. We have to show a better level of performance."

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DIBLING'S PRICE GAG

Jokes on target for Saints ace

WEST HAM 1
SOUTHAMPTON 1

BY **STEVE JUDGE**

SOUTHAMPTON teen sensation Tyler Dibling is a £100m target for Manchesters United and City, Chelsea, Tottenham, Bayern Munich and... Aaron Ramsdale.

Saints hottest property revealed he has been the butt of plenty of dressing room banter since the club slapped a reported nine-figure price tag on him.

The quietly spoken 19-year-old is unfazed about the big numbers and speculation swirling around about his future.

And his team-mates have made sure it has not gone to his head, especially Ramsdale who jokingly takes £10m off his valuation any time he misses a shot in training.

Dibling said: "Yeah, Rambo loves it. There's a few nicknames going around. It is all jokes. Nobody takes it seriously. It's just a number. It's all fun.

"I'll miss a shot in training and Rambo will just go £90m or £80m as it goes down.

"It's all good fun but I'm just trying to practise every day and to get better."

Dibling was expecting Ramsdale to announce another reduction in his value on the bus home after missing a golden chance to equalise at West Ham after coming on as a second-half sub. It's the sort of miss that will be noted by the circling 'big' clubs as they decide if Dibling really is a £100m talent. No doubt his top-20 effort in the Premier Leageu of 3.5 dribbles per game with 1.5 successful dribbles have caught the eye in his breakout season.

But his two Premier League goals have come from 28 shots. Saturday's failure to hit the target with just keeper Alphonse Areola to beat was his 14th miss from inside 18 yards.

On the plus side, Dibling was at least able to articulate a clear decision-making process.

This was not a young player overawed by the moment. It was just bad execution with his weaker foot.

Dibling said: "I should have scored. I tried to go high because I saw the keeper coming. It was with my right foot and it just went a bit too high but hopefully I get the next one."

It looked as if West Ham were going to record a much-needed win when Niclas Fullkrug fed Jarrod Bowen to curl a shot past Ramsdale on 47 minutes.

Luckily for Dibling, Chelsea loanee Lesley Ugochukwu smashed home his first Premier League goal in stoppage time to lift Southampton up to 11 points.

PREMIER LEAGUE

WEST HAM		SOUTHAMPTON
51%	POSSESSION	49%
4	SHOTS ON TARGET	4
3	SHOTS OFF TARGET	5
496	TOTAL PASSES	455
90%	PASSING SUCCESS	88%
2	CORNERS	5
1	OFFSIDES	1
14	FOULS	13
0 2	CARDS	1 0

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MAN OF THE MATCH
NICLAS FULLKRUG

WEST HAM (4-2-3-1): Areola 6; Coufal 6, Tobido 6, Kilman 7, Emerson 6 (Scarles 80); Ward-Prowse 6 (Mavropanos 86), Soler 6; Bowen 8 (Ferguson 86), Paqueta 7, Kudus 7 (Guilherme 75); Fullkrug 7 (Soucek 80).

SOUTHAMPTON (3-4-2-1): Ramsdale 6; Stephens 7, Bednarek 6, Harwood-Bellis 6 (Stewart 85); Walker-Peters 7, Manning 6 (Wellington 85), Downes 7, Ugochukwu 7; Fernandes 6, Onuchua 5 (Archer 69, 6); Sulemana 6 (Dibling 74).

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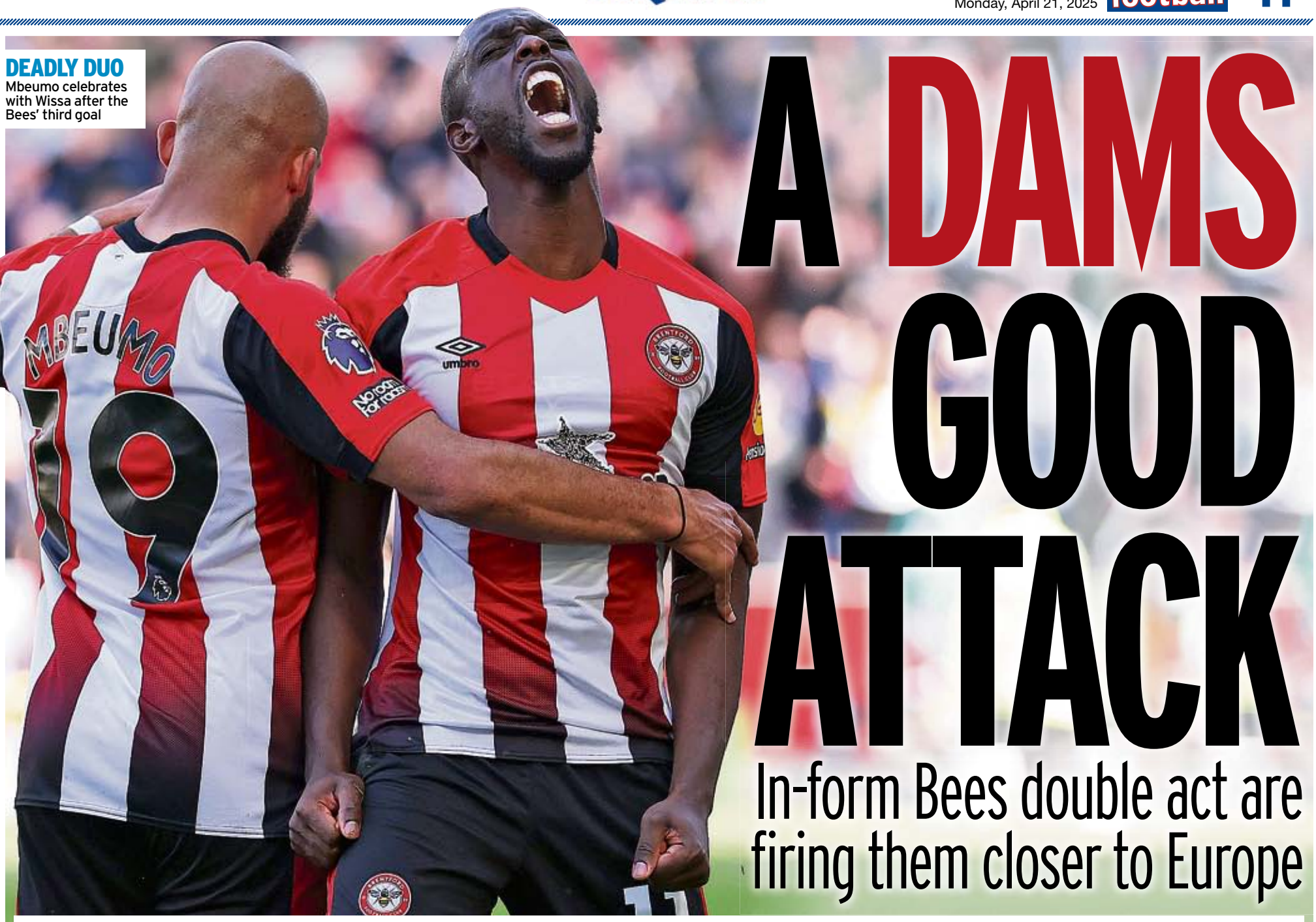

DEADLY DUO
Mbeumo celebrates with Wissa after the Bees' third goal

A DAMS GOOD ATTACK

In-form Bees double act are firing them closer to Europe

BRENTFORD 4
BRIGHTON 2

BY **CHARLIE GORDON**

BRYAN MBEUMO and Yoane Wissa have gobbled up well over half of Brentford's Premier League goals between them this season.

But by no means have they let their team-mates go hungry.

Midfield creator Mikkel Damsgaard is overjoyed to have the in-form pair relentlessly running behind the last line of defence or finding space in the box.

It has helped him rack up 10 league assists this campaign – more than Bruno Fernandes, Cole Palmer and Kevin De Bruyne.

Although Damsgaard didn't add to that tally against Brighton, it was still clear to him that after Mbeumo's brace and Wissa's 16th goal of the season, one of the division's most fearsome pairings is serving everyone in red and white. He said: "They are on fire. They're just such talented, good players, and I've also got to praise their hard work for the team.

"The atmosphere they bring to the team is a big thing. The quality they have is also nice, but they bring so much more than just their goals."

Jet-heeled Kevin Schade has chipped in with seven strikes this season. And having three pace merchants up ahead continues to bring the best out of Damsgaard.

"All of them are really quick players who like to go in behind," added the Dane. "It's good for me as a passer, it's always nice to have quick players in front of you."

Now four years into their top-flight journey, the Bees are a shining example of how to come up, stay up and cement yourself as a Premier League outfit.

Having Mbeumo and Wissa as the marksmen and Damsgaard as the chief provider could end up being a combination which brings Brentford European football for the first time.

After boosting their chances by breaking a nine-game winless run at home, Damsgaard admitted it's more energising to chase such lofty goals than to live in fear of the Championship.

He added: "We are dreaming a bit. It's more fun to look up and we don't have to look down anymore.

"We are trying to finish as high as possible.

"I can't believe it's been that long since we won at home. It's always really nice to win at home and we have a good shot here against any team."

Brentford needed to beat Brighton to stay in the race for European qualification.

They set the tone early on, when Mbeumo was sent clean through by Keane Lewis-Potter before finding the bottom corner.

Danny Welbeck's header levelled it just before the break, but Mbeumo and Wissa netted after the break, both with the help of Lewis Dunk deflections.

The writing was on the wall for Brighton when Joao Pedro was dismissed for a flailing arm on Nathan Collins.

And although they pulled one back through Kaoru Mitoma, Christian Norgaard headed home in stoppage time to restore daylight between the sides.

Damsgaard believes the result has kept their hopes of continental football alive.

"If we lost this one, I think it would have been pretty much done," he said.

"It was a must-win game. Now we have a long way to go, five really hard games left. But we have a shot."

BRENTFORD (4-2-3-1): Flekken 5; Kayode 6 (Ajer 65, 6), Collins 7, Van den Berg 7, Lewis-Potter 8 (Henry 76); Norgaard 8, Yarmolyuk 7 (Jensen 76); Mbeumo 9, Damsgaard 6 (Janelt 87), Schade 7 (Konak 87, Nunes 90); Wissa 8.
BRIGHTON (4-2-3-1): Verbruggen 6; Wieffer 6 (Adingra 89), Van Hecke 5 (Cashin 90), Dunk 5, Estupinan 5; Baleba 6 (Gomez 77), Hinshelwood 7; Minteh 5 (March 65, 6), O'Riley 5 (Mitoma 65, 7), Pedro 5; Welbeck 6 (Ayari 77).

PREMIER LEAGUE

BRENTFORD		BRIGHTON
46%	POSSESSION	54%
8	SHOTS ON TARGET	3
5	SHOTS OFF TARGET	6
421	TOTAL PASSES	479
81%	PASSING SUCCESS	84%
4	CORNERS	8
1	OFFSIDES	0
7	FOULS	11
1 3	CARDS	4 0

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MAN OF THE MATCH
BRYAN MBEUMO

WELBECK WANTS TEAM FULL OF FIGHTERS

BY **CHARLIE GORDON**

DANNY WELBECK has commanded his Brighton team-mates to start fighting for each other in their hunt for a European spot.

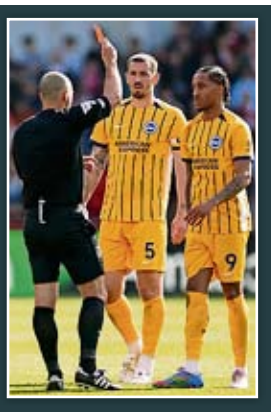
Welbeck headed the Seagulls level on Saturday but Brentford pulled away in the second half to inflict a fourth defeat in Brighton's last five matches.

Fabian Hurzeler's side were one point off fourth place last month, but they are now at risk of missing out on Europe.

After a game in which Brighton top-scorer Joao Pedro was red-carded (right) for striking Nathan Collins, Welbeck called for a greater collective effort down the home stretch.

"We know as a team we can do better," he said. "We need to play much more collectively. There have been too many of these performances throughout the season.

"We need to improve massively and fight for each other more."



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CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND-UP

BORO TARGET THREE IN A ROW RUN-IN

TOMMY CONWAY says Middlesbrough are meeting the pressure of the play-off race head-on ahead of today's trip to Sheffield Wednesday.

Conway's penalty in added time against Plymouth on Friday sealed the win that leaves Michael Carrick's side three points off sixth spot.

But with a final-day trip to Coventry to come, Boro know they will make the top six if they win their three remaining games.

Striker Conway (above) said: "We're all human beings and we all speak about football all the time. There's a pressure we put on ourselves, more than anything else.

"By getting the win we've given ourselves the best possible chance."

Hull can take a step towards safety if they can end a three-game winless run against Preston.

The Tigers are just two points clear of the bottom three and defender John Egan (inset) said: "It's a big game at home in front of our fans and we have to produce. It's on us to go out there and give 100 per cent and do everything we can to get the points.

"The fans are going to be huge. It's a big club with lots of fans, so we're going to have to give them something to shout about."

Portsmouth will guarantee safety if they beat Watford at Fratton Park.

Pompey boss John Mousinho said: "All our focus is on trying to win this match and not everything else that surrounds that."

Millwall's defeat at Blackburn on Friday virtually killed off the Lions' hopes of reaching the play-offs ahead of the visit of Norwich.

Lions boss Alex Neil said: "The difficulty I've got is trying to strike a balance between when you play two up front, you carry an extra threat, you carry an extra body in the box, but sometimes you'll lose the middle of the pitch."

Regis Le Bris expects a response when Sunderland host Blackburn after losing to Bristol City on Friday.

The Black Cats manager said: "We have shown that after defeat we always react well."

QPR boss Marti Cifuentes wants his side to secure four more points to better last season's haul, starting with the clash against Swansea.

He said: "We are safe and we have achieved the first target as a club."

WE'RE ALL

Farke delivers rally-cry as he warns troops: There is still plenty of work to do

TOUGH AT TOP
Leeds manager Daniel Farke is pumped up for final push in title run-in

LEEDS v STOKE
Championship: KO 3pm

DANIEL FARKE has warned Leeds will pay a heavy price if they believe the hard yards of the promotion race have already been run.

Farke's side moved back to the top of the Championship when they beat Oxford on Friday night.

And they can move to within touching distance of the Premier League with victory over Stoke at Elland Road this afternoon.

They could be celebrating promotion if they see off the Potters and Sheffield United then stumble at Burnley in the later kick-off.

But boss Farke says the division has a habit of throwing up surprises and insists there is no room for complacency against a Stoke side who are seven points clear of the danger zone.

He said: "We are in a good position, but if you are too proud of yourself, enjoy yourself too much, you can't win any points in this league.

"This league is crazy and you have to become relentless yourself if you want to win this relentless league and you want to win promotion.

"You have to fight for each and every point in this league.

"And we face a Stoke side who is a bit more recovered than us because we only got back in the early hours of Saturday, so not really a proper night and a very quick turnaround.

"It's not the easiest game, so we definitely need Elland Road in full voice. Everyone has to be in top shape. We can edge a bit closer towards something really special, but for that we all have to be at our best."

Manor Solomon (inset) scored the only goal of the game at Oxford to nudge Leeds closer to their promotion target.

The Spurs loanee said: "It's a big game. I know it can be a big day for us.

"We still need four more points, so one more win and I hope we can do it on Monday in front of our fans.

"I can't wait and we've started to recover and prepare for Stoke."

Stoke's win over Sheffield Wednesday extended their unbeaten run to five games, but boss Mark Robins insists there is still work to do.

He said: "There's a bit of breathing space but until it's mathematically done we won't take anything for granted that's for sure."

But the manager praised his players' courage in their battle to come out on top in the relegation scrap.

He added: "They've had a tough time but they've done everything they have been asked to do and more.

"You've got to be brave to play football. It's easy to smash the ball long, but to be how we want to be you have to be brave and they showed that courage to take the ball and they've shown quality too.

"I'm not saying this is the end of our season now, because it really isn't. We want to give it a right good go for the last three games.

"Hopefully we can pick up some more points and try to climb the table further."

CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leeds	43	26	13	4	83	29	91
Burnley	43	25	16	2	59	14	91
Sheff Utd	43	27	7	9	59	33	86
Sunderland	43	21	13	9	58	40	76
Bristol City	43	17	16	10	56	46	67
Coventry	43	19	9	15	61	54	66
Middlesbrough	43	18	9	16	63	52	63
West Brom	43	14	18	11	51	41	60
Millwall	43	16	12	15	42	45	60
Blackburn	43	17	8	18	49	46	59
Swansea	43	16	9	18	46	51	57
Watford	43	16	8	19	51	57	56
Norwich	43	13	14	16	66	63	53
QPR	43	13	14	16	51	56	53
Sheff Wed	43	14	11	18	56	66	53
Stoke	43	12	14	17	45	54	50
Preston	43	10	19	14	44	53	49
Portsmouth	43	13	10	20	55	69	49
Oxford	43	12	12	19	43	61	48
Hull	43	11	12	20	41	51	45
Derby	43	11	10	22	44	55	43
Luton	43	11	10	22	38	63	43
Cardiff	43	9	15	19	45	68	42
Plymouth	43	9	13	21	45	84	40

GOAL-SHY BAGGIES GIVE MOWBRAY HEADACHE

WBA v DERBY
Championship: KO 3pm

TONY MOWBRAY admits he has struggled to impose his playing style on West Brom.

Mowbray (left) took charge in January with Albion on the fringes of the play-off places, but Friday's defeat at Coventry left them eighth, six points off sixth spot. The Baggies boss said: "I am trying to turn a team around that's been pretty passive and sat in its two banks of four and waited, letting the opposition have the ball.

"When they'd get it, they'd try to break fast. And that's fine, that's OK. Still, did they accrue enough points to have scored a number of goals we should've done?

"It's difficult to turn a team that looks like this into a team you want to make it look like.

"And yet I like the group. But again, you have to score goals to win football matches and it becomes irrelevant, me talking about control, when you don't put the ball in the net."

Derby's survival hopes suffered a blow when they lost at home to fellow strugglers Luton on Friday and boss John Eustace is grateful for the quick turnaround.

The Rams manager said: "We want a game as quickly as we can now. It is an opportunity to put things right and we'll make sure we're fit and ready to go.

"Whoever plays for us, they'll show that fighting spirit that we have.

"We have to keep working hard and showing that belief."

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FIRED UP

Parker has his eyes on Prem prize as Clarets juggernaut keeps on rolling

CRUNCH TIME
Scott Parker wants his Burnley side to land a KO blow on their title rivals

BURNLEY v SHEFFIELD UTD

Championship: KO 5.30pm

SCOTT PARKER insists it will be business as usual for Burnley tonight – despite the size of the prize on offer.

The Clarets will face Sheffield United at Turf Moor with a five-point gap between the sides and knowing victory will seal their Premier League return.

Parker's side extended their unbeaten league run to 30 games with Friday's win at Watford and the manager says there will be no shift in attitude with promotion up for grabs.

He said: "There's easy motivation, but we're playing a tough side, a good side, and this is going to be a massive game for us,

"We're going into it as best we can and we'll be raring to go. The aim at the start of the season was to get out of the division – that's still the aim.

"Of course, on Monday we can get this done, but I also understand the focus we need to apply and where we need to be. That will determine how we approach it. I've no doubt we'll approach it in the manner we have approached every game and hopefully we can go and get a result on Monday."

He added: "It's easier for me because of what we've done throughout this year. The players have taken everything on board.

"The game is what it is. There is something at the end of it which is more, and I understand that.

"There's one clear laser focus, which is prepare for what is a massive game."

The Blades' top-two bid was turned upside down by three successive defeats before Friday's win over Cardiff.

They now need to become the first team to beat Burnley in their own backyard this season to realistically keep their hopes alive.

And boss Chris Wilder says his side are ready to wreck the Clarets' celebration plans. Wilder (inset) said: "It's going to be a hell of a game, but we're confident.

"There are nine points to play for and the gap is five. Who'd have thought we'd have lost three games?

"We just have to take care of our preparation and make sure that we put in a top performance.

"As you've seen in the history of football, games aren't won on current form or by teams that are at home. It is unpredictable at times.

"We'll go into it as chasers and they'll be big favourites, because of their form and their results over a long period of time and our recent form and results.

"But it's not decided on that and we have to upset the odds and do what we need to do for our football club."

LAMPS LIGHTS WAY FOR BEN

PLYMOUTH v COVENTRY

Championship: KO 3pm

BEN SHEAF insists he always knew Coventry were capable of forcing their way into the play-off mix.

But the Sky Blues midfielder says the arrival of boss Frank Lampard was the catalyst that fired the club's turnaround.

Coventry were 17th when Lampard took charge but head into the final three games – starting today at Plymouth – in sixth spot.

Sheaf (inset) said: "We know what we can do and we know what we need to do. Hopefully we can do it.

"We knew what we are capable of, but since the gaffer has come in, the turnaround has been unbelievable.

"We have put on a good run, we have been playing really well of late, so the signs are there. We just need to keep doing it."

Pilgrims boss Miron Muslic is convinced his side can haul themselves off the foot of the table, despite losing at Middlesbrough on Friday.

He said: "We have to recover very fast because our time is limited.

"We have to maximise this to have... I cannot say a freshness in our legs, but a freshness in our head.

"If we produce what I saw against Middlesbrough, Norwich and Sheffield United, then we are tough to play."

RAMSEY CAN LEAD REVIVAL

CARDIFF v OXFORD

Championship: KO 3pm

AARON RAMSEY admits he faces a huge task in his first game since being put in charge of Cardiff.

Ramsey was named as interim boss on Saturday after Omer Riza was sacked following Friday's defeat at Sheffield United.

The Wales midfielder takes the reins with the Bluebirds second bottom ahead of today's clash with Oxford.

Ramsey (inset) said: "It's a huge game, there's no question about that.

"There's a lot of work to be done, but we're ready for that, we're prepared.

"We'll have meetings to get the boys in the best possible place.

"Hopefully we'll get the lads in a good place to be able to show what we're all about and get that momentum going. I'm looking for a really energetic performance."

Oxford's defeat to Leeds means they still have work to do to guarantee safety, although they have a five-point cushion to the bottom three.

Boss Gary Rowett said: "We've shown the competitiveness against Leeds. That stands us in good stead.

"Of course, at this stage of the season, it kind of doesn't matter. It's just about moving on to the next game and getting a result you need."

NAISMITH BACKS BOYS TO HIT SURVIVAL MODE

LUTON v BRISTOL CITY

Championship: KO 3pm

KAL NAISMITH says Luton are hitting their best form at exactly the right time.

Friday's win at fellow strugglers Derby gave their survival hopes a huge boost.

But they face play-off hopefuls Bristol City, Coventry and West Brom in their final three games. Defender Naismith (right) said: "The lads have fallen below the standards a lot of the season, had some back luck, but they're where they are.

"It's a big thing to go and do, but it tells you when the chips are down and the pressure's on and you must win these games, you look about the changing room, and we've got players who just thrive on that and step up.

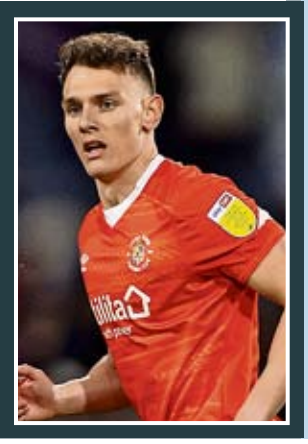
"Nothing's done yet, but the other games are similar.

"They're massive, but we're going to look around the changing room and know we've got each other's backs.

"And we can be confident going into them."

Bristol City lead the race to claim one of the last two play-off spots. Robins defender Rob Dickie said: "I said at the start of this season I think we're ready now to be pushing the top six.

"There are three games left and we're close, but we have to keep picking up points because, at this end of the table, the likelihood is that teams around you are picking up points as well."



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LEAGUE ONE ROUND-UP

PHIL: KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON

PHIL PARKINSON insists WREXHAM's automatic promotion hopes are still alive ahead of today's trip to BLACKPOOL.

The Welsh side lie third after dropping crucial points in a 1-1 draw with Bristol Rovers on Friday and the Dragons boss has urged his players to play without pressure.

Parkinson (above) said: "Maybe the expectancy weighed heavily on us but we've got to take that off our shoulders and just play, go to Blackpool and be really positive in everything we do.

"It can change again, of course, and we believe we can do that, 100 percent. It's not over yet and we've still got a great chance."

Richie Wellens says his LEYTON ORIENT side have shown the character to hold on to a play-off spot.

The O's travel to relegation threatened CAMBRIDGE and manager Wellens said: "We've gone behind early in the last three games so I don't think the resilience or the character of this group can be questioned."

READING head to MANSFIELD anxious to revive their top-six challenge after losing 1-0 to Lincoln on Friday.

Royals boss Noel Hunt (below) said: "There's loads of twists and turns to come, three games over two weeks, let's see where we are. We're going to fight tooth and nail."

LUKE'S LIKELY! Luke Berry celebrates after scoring for Charlton against Northampton

ADDICKTED TO PROMOTION!

Jones convinced Charlton can grab a top-two finish

WYCOMBE v CHARLTON

League One: KO 3pm

NATHAN JONES says Charlton have shown they are capable of claiming a top-two spot in League One.

The Addicks secured a play-off place by beating Northampton on Friday – and can boost their unlikely challenge for automatic promotion when they visit second-placed Wycombe today.

Victory at Adams Park would move Jones' side to within two points of the Chairboys before they travel to face third-placed Wrexham on Saturday.

And the Valley boss believes his team's form in the second half of the campaign demonstrates they are worthy of a place at the division's top table.

He said: "In the second half of the season we would be top two which shows we have done very well over a long period of time.

"We have earned that crack at it. It's going to be a very difficult game at Wycombe, they are a good team, well coached, they have very dangerous players. We have to be the very best version of ourselves because if we're not, you can get punched on the nose. So it's some game."

He added: "We've achieved the first goal which I'm very proud of. If you want to achieve anything you have to show every facet of the game.

"To get promoted out of the lower echelons of the football pyramid you have to show everything.

"You have to dig in, graft, fight, show quality, show character. You have to show all those things and we have done that in the last 24, 25 games. If I'm honest, I probably felt the relief (of getting in the play-offs) last week and the 10-point gap with four games to go.

"A lot has to happen for you not to go into the play-offs.

"But you want to go into the play-offs with momentum as well.

"It was important to rubber stamp that and it's nice to be mathematically there.

"Now, we want to see where it takes us."

Wycombe boss Mike Dodds believes his side's clean sheet mentality is the key to their success this season.

He said: "The biggest thing for us is that we're hard to play against, and I'm proud of that.

"When I was interviewed for the job, I told the ownership group I would make us hard to play against, and I felt the staff and team have done that.

"They have completely bought into what we're trying to do, and we've given ourselves a real opportunity.

"But nothing changes from our perspective as we know there will be plenty of twists and turns yet to come."

LEAGUE ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Birmingham	41	29	9	3	73	29	96
Wycombe	43	24	12	7	69	37	84
Wrexham	43	24	11	8	60	33	83
Charlton	43	23	10	10	60	39	79
Stockport Cty	43	22	12	9	64	38	78
Leyton Orient	43	21	6	16	65	46	69
Reading	43	19	12	12	59	52	69
Bolton	43	20	6	17	63	64	66
Huddersfield	43	19	7	17	55	46	64
Blackpool	42	16	15	11	66	54	63
Lincoln City	43	15	13	15	58	49	58
Barnsley	43	16	9	18	63	68	57
Rotherham	43	15	10	18	51	56	55
Exeter	43	14	11	18	45	58	53
Stevenage	42	14	10	18	39	47	52
Wigan	42	12	14	16	36	39	50
Peterborough	42	13	10	19	63	73	49
Mansfield	42	13	9	20	52	62	48
Northampton	43	11	14	18	43	61	47
Burton Albion	42	10	13	19	44	59	43
Bristol Rovers	43	12	7	24	43	69	43
Cambridge	43	9	11	23	42	67	38
Crawley Town	43	9	10	24	49	81	37
Shrewsbury	43	7	9	27	37	72	30

LEAGUE TWO ROUND-UP

SURE WE CANN GET JOB DONE

GRANT McCANN is fully convinced DONCASTER can hold their nerve and secure a top-three finish.

Rovers host play-off hopefuls COLCHESTER after moving to within a point of leaders Port Vale on Friday.

Boss McCann (above) said: "We've had a good couple of days' preparation. It's important we just stick to what we know and what we are trying to achieve.

"You get asked during the season about where you are in the form table but I never think about that. Whoever is there after 46 games is what matters."

Third-placed BRADFORD travel to CHESTERFIELD and manager Graham Alexander (below) said: "The players are ready to go, they understand that every single game is going to be tough and we are going to have to fight to get the result we want."

WALSALL boss Mat Sadler is battling to revive his side's automatic promotion push as they head to NEWPORT on the back of an 11-game winless run. Sadler said: "For the remaining three games my rallying cry is keep going with us and keep seeing the team that is fighting for everything. That wall of noise is what we need."

Mark Hughes's CARLISLE will attempt to boost their unlikely survival bid when they travel to ACCRINGTON hoping to make it four wins on the bounce.

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LEAGUE ONE

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BOLTON (0) 0 — **WYCOMBE (0) 2**
ATT: 21,114 — Taylor 58, Leahy 90
Bolton: Baxter, Dacres-Cogley (Sharples 88), Forino-Joseph, Johnston, Murphy (Jones 88), Matete, Thomason, Osei-Tutu (McAtee 18), Dempsey (Abimbola 65), Collins, Lolos (Etete 65). **Booked:** Matete 57, Johnston 68. **Wycombe:** Norris, Onyedinma (Low 76), Grimmer, Bradley, Taylor, Leahy (Sadlier 90), Humphreys (Reach 88), Scowen, Simons, Udoh (Lubala 88), Kone (McCleary 76). **Booked:** Grimmer 68, Leahy 80. **Ref:** Adam Herczeg.

CHARLTON (1) 2 — **NORTHAMPTON (1) 1**
Berry 9 — Costelloe 15 (pen)
Godden 71 — ATT: 20,198
Charlton: Mannion, Ramsay, Jones, McIntyre (Aneke 54), Edwards, Coventry, Docherty (Gilbert 69), Small, Berry (Anderson 89), Campbell (Watson 89), Godden (Mbick 88). **Booked:** Coventry 12, Gilbert 77, Ramsay 85, Aneke 90, Small 90. **Northampton:** Burge, Eyoma, Mbete-Tabu (Dyche 46), Odimayo (Magloire 70), McGowan, Perry, McGeehan, Pinnock, Roberts (Wilson 83), Fosu (Hondermarck 70), Costelloe. **Booked:** McGowan 68, Dyche 90, McGeehan 90. **Ref:** Ollie Yates.

EXETER (0) 0 — **BURTON ALBION (0) 0**
ATT: 6,972
Exeter: Whitworth, Turns, A MacDonald, Hartridge, McMillan, McDonald (Woods 62), Francis (Colwill 72), Niskanen, Watts (Harper 83), Cole (Yogane 63), Cox (Oluwabori 73). **Booked:** McDonald 27, Turns 55, A MacDonald 88. **Burton:** Crocombe, Godwin-Malife, Sweeney, Sraha (Armer 46), Lofthouse, Chauke, Williams, Dodgson, McKiernan (Kalinauskas 83), Larsson (Tavares 72), Burrell (Bennett 72). **Booked:** Sweeney 33, Lofthouse 64, Chauke 86. **Ref:** Jacob Miles.

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 — **CAMBRIDGE UTD (0) 2**
Koroma 89 — Brophy 69, KaiKai 90
Huddersfield: Nicholls, Kasumu (Sorensen 76), Balker (Miller 33), Pearson, Ruffels, Hogg (Taylor 76), Marshall (Koroma 56), Wiles, Evans, Roosken, Charles. **Cambridge Utd:** Stevens, Bennett (Andrew 62), Morrison, Watts, Gibbons, Digby, Stevenson, Kachunga (KaiKai 62), Stokes, Brophy, Ballard (Loft 83). **Booked:** Morrison 23, Digby 54, Stevens 74, Gibbons 76.**Ref:** Sam Allison.

LEYTON ORIENT (0) 4 — **BARNSLEY (2) 3**
Galbraith 51, Clare 72 — Humphrys 11, 19, Keillor-Dunn 64
Beckles 74 — ATT: 8,410
Leyton Orient: Keeley, Galbraith, Beckles, Edmonds-Green, Currie, Pratley (Clare 46), Brown, Williams (Cooper 86), Donley, Agyei (Markanday 78), Kelman (Abdulai 86). **Booked:** Williams 63. **Barnsley:** Flavell, Bland (O'Keeffe 82), Roberts, McCarthy, Earl, Connell, Russell, Jalo (Cotter 75), Phillips (Benson 82), Humphrys (Lembikisa 71), Keillor-Dunn. **Booked:** Roberts 31, Phillips 35, Bland 40. **Ref:** Leigh Doughty.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
C Birmingham	41	29	9	3	73	29	96
Wycombe	43	24	12	7	69	37	84
Wrexham	43	24	11	8	60	33	83
Charlton	43	23	10	10	60	39	79
Stockport Cty	43	22	12	9	64	38	78
Leyton Orient	43	21	6	16	65	46	69
Reading	43	19	12	12	59	52	69
Bolton	43	20	6	17	63	64	66
Huddersfield	43	19	7	17	55	46	64
Blackpool	42	16	15	11	66	54	63
Lincoln City	43	15	13	15	58	49	58
Barnsley	43	16	9	18	63	68	57
Rotherham	43	15	10	18	51	56	55
Exeter	43	14	11	18	45	58	53
Stevenage	42	14	10	18	39	47	52
Wigan	42	12	14	16	36	39	50
Peterborough	42	13	10	19	63	73	49
Mansfield	42	13	9	20	52	62	48
Northampton	43	11	14	18	43	61	47
Burton Albion	42	10	13	19	44	59	43
Bristol Rovers	43	12	7	24	43	69	43
Cambridge Utd	43	9	11	23	42	67	38
Crawley Town	43	9	10	24	49	81	37
R Shrewsbury	43	7	9	27	37	72	30

PETERBOROUGH (1) 1 — **STOCKPORT COUNTY (0) 1**
Jones 43 — Diamond 90
ATT: 11,241
Peterborough: Steer, Dornelly (Johnston 70), Wallin, Fernandez, Mills, Kyprianou, Collins (De Havilland 15), Poku, Mothersille (C Hayes 61 (Lindgren 70)), Odoh, Jones. **Booked:** Kyprianou 90, Wallin 90. **Stockport County:** Addai, Hills, Horsfall (Mingi 46), Pye, Touray (Moxon 84), Norwood, Bailey (Fevrier 46), Collar, Diamond, Olaofe (Andresson 75), Wootton. **Booked:** Hills 25, Touray 83, Diamond 87, Moxon 90. **Ref:** Charles Breakspear.

READING (0) 0 — **LINCOLN CITY (0) 1**
ATT: 16,388 — Collins 65
Reading: Pereira, Abrefa (Yiadom 55), Mbengue, Bindon, Garcia (Rushesha 75), Knibbs, Wing, Savage, Campbell (Carroll 75), Ehibhatiomhan (Bodin 75), Camara (Wareham 67). **Booked:** Mbengue 41, Ehibhatiomhan 59, Camara 64, Yiadom 72. **Lincoln City:** Wickens, Darikwa, Hamer, Jackson, Roughan, Hamilton, Bayliss (Erhahon 65), Hackett, House (McGrandles 83), Gardner (Ring 61), Draper (Collins 65). **Booked:** Bayliss 22, House 78, Hamilton 87, Darikwa 90. **Ref:** Ben Speedie.

ROTHERHAM (2) 3 — **MANSFIELD (1) 3**
Wilks 17, 66, Nombe 36 — Maris 8, Flint 77
ATT: 10,665 — Bowery 87
Rotherham: Dawson (Phillips 82), Rafferty, Odofin, Humphreys, Holmes (Douglas 82), Mpanzu, Powell, James, Sibley, Wilks, Nombe (Kayode 89). **Booked:** Douglas 90. **Mansfield:** Pym, Oshilaja, Kilgour, Cargill, Hewitt (Flint 74), Maris (Lewis 63), Reed, Craig (Baccus 63), McLaughlin (Bowery 70), Akins, Dwyer (Vickers 64). **Booked:** Cargill 24, Reed 27, Oshilaja 90. **Ref:** David Rock.

SHREWSBURY (0) 0 — **WIGAN (0) 1**
ATT: 6,338 — Taylor 71
Shrewsbury: Blackman, J Feeney, Pierre, Nurse (Benning 46), Hoole, Gape (Stewart 59), Gilliead, Perry, Shipley (Biggins 55), Lloyd, Marquis. **Booked:** J Feeney 7, Biggins 67. **Wigan:** Tickle, Carragher, Kerr, Aimson (J Smith 46), Robinson, Adeeko, Dale (Sibbick 90), Mellish (S Smith 82), Weir (McManaman 57), Asamoah (Sze 83), Taylor. **Booked:** Aimson 45. **Ref:** Thomas Parsons.

STEVENAGE (0) 1 — **BLACKPOOL (0) 3**
Piergianni 77 — Apter 56, 63, 68; ATT: 4,161
Stevenage: Ashby-Hammond, James Wildin, Sweeney, Piergianni, Butler (Freestone 76), White (Forster Caskey 76), Thompson, Phillips (Roberts 61), Kemp, Hanlan (List 61), Young (Reid 61). **Booked:** Kemp 36, Butler 51, Freestone 79. **Blackpool:** Tyrer, Offiah, Casey, Baggott, Coulson, Apter (Silvera 72), Morgan, Evans, Carey, Ennis (Hamilton 72), Fletcher (Bloxham 72). **Booked:** Baggott 75, Casey 79. **Ref:** Simon Mather.

WREXHAM (0) 1 — **BRISTOL ROVERS (1) 1**
James 76 — Moore 33; ATT: 12,740
Wrexham: Okonkwo, Cleworth, O'Connell (Scarr 46), Brunt (Dobson 75), Barnett (McClean 63), Lee (Marriott 85), James, Rathbone, Longman, Rodriguez (Fletcher 64), Smith. **Bristol Rovers:** J Ward, Moore, Wilson, Taylor, Hunt (Mola 59), Sawyers, Butcher, Thomas (Hutchinson 84), Shaw (Forde 59), Sotiriou (G Ward 71), O'Donkor (Sinclair 84). **Booked:** Thomas 49, Forde 74. **Ref:** Martin Coy.

PREMIER LEAGUE

		HOME						AWAY					
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1	Liverpool	33	13	2	1	34	12	11	5	1	41	19	79
2	Arsenal	33	10	5	1	31	13	8	7	2	30	14	66
3	Newcastle	33	10	2	4	35	19	8	3	6	27	25	59
4	Man City	33	10	3	3	37	21	7	4	6	27	21	58
5	Chelsea	33	9	5	2	30	17	7	4	6	28	23	57
6	Nottm Forest	32	9	4	3	24	11	8	2	6	27	27	57
7	Aston Villa	33	9	7	1	31	20	7	2	7	22	27	57
8	Bournemouth	33	7	3	6	20	14	6	7	4	32	26	49
9	Fulham	33	7	5	5	26	25	6	4	6	22	20	48
10	Brighton	33	6	7	3	23	21	6	5	6	30	32	48
11	Brentford	33	8	4	5	34	29	5	3	8	22	21	46
12	Crystal Palace	33	5	6	6	19	23	6	5	5	22	22	44
13	Everton	33	4	8	5	22	21	4	6	6	12	19	38
14	Man Utd	33	6	3	8	21	26	4	5	7	17	20	38
15	Wolves	33	5	2	9	23	29	6	3	8	25	32	38
16	Tottenham	32	6	3	7	33	27	5	1	10	27	22	37
17	West Ham	33	5	4	8	21	31	4	5	7	16	24	36
18	Ipswich	33	1	4	12	13	40	3	5	8	20	31	21
R	Leicester	33	2	3	12	11	34	2	3	11	16	39	18
R	Southampton	33	1	2	13	11	43	1	3	13	13	35	11

ASTON VILLA (1) 4 — **NEWCASTLE (1) 1**
Watkins 1 — Schar 18
Maatsen 64 — ATT: 42,618
Burn 73 (og)
Onana 75

BRENTFORD (1) 4 — **BRIGHTON (1) 2**
Mbeumo 9, 48 — Welbeck 45
Wissa 58 — Mitoma 81
Norgaard 90 — ATT: 17,083

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0 — **BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0**
ATT: 25,185

EVERTON (0) 0 — **MAN CITY (0) 2**
O'Reilly 84
Kovacic 90
ATT: 39,332

WEST HAM (0) 1 — **SOUTHAMPTON (0) 1**
Bowen 47 — Ugochukwu 90

FULHAM (1) 1 — **CHELSEA (0) 2**
Iwobi 20 — George 83
Pedro Neto 90
ATT: 27,712

IPSWICH (0) 0 — **ARSENAL (2) 4**
Trossard 14, 69
Martinelli 28
Nwaneri 88
ATT: 29,549

LEICESTER (0) 0 — **LIVERPOOL (0) 1**
Alexander-Arnold 76

MAN UTD (0) 0 — **WOLVES (0) 1**
Sarabia 77
ATT: 73,819

TOP SCORERS

PREMIER LEAGUE
Salah (Liverpool)..............27
Isak (Newcastle)............... 21
Haaland (Man City).......... 21
Mbeumo (Brentford)....... 18
Wood (Nottm Forest)....... 18

CHAMPIONSHIP
Sainz (Norwich)..................17
Piroe (Leeds)..................... 15
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Conway (Middlesbrough).13

LEAGUE ONE
Kelman (Leyton Orient) 20
Stansfield (Birmingham).18
Kone (Wycombe).............. 18
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LEAGUE TWO
Cheek (Bromley)............. 22
Jatta (Notts County)........17
McGoldrick (Notts Coy)...17
Stevens (Wimbledon).......17
Molyneux (Doncaster).... 16

SCOTTISH PREM
Maeda (Celtic).................. 16
Murray (Dundee).............. 15
Dalby (Dundee Utd)......... 14
Dessers (Rangers)........... 12
Igamane (Rangers)........... 11

CHAMPIONSHIP

Sky Bet Championship EFL

BLACKBURN (2) 4 — **MILLWALL (1) 1**
Hyam 42 — Ivanovic 44
Tronstad 45, 59, Brittain 50 — ATT: 14,167
Blackburn: Toth, Brittain (Pickering 72), Hyam, Batth, Yuri Ribeiro, Tronstad (Buckley 84), Travis (Forshaw 65), Dolan, Cantwell, Hedges (Woodrow 65), Ohashi (Gueye 72). **Millwall:** Evans, Harding, Crama, Cooper, Leonard, Honeyman, Mitchell (Saville 57), De Norre (Emakhu 65), Azeez (Connolly 74), Ivanovic (Cundle 65), Coburn. **Booked:** Harding 45. **Ref:** Lewis Smith.

BRISTOL CITY (0) 2 — **SUNDERLAND (1) 1**
Dickie 55, McCrorie 76 — Mayenda 31; ATT: 25,915
Bristol City: O'Leary, Tanner (Hirakawa 46), Dickie, Vyner, McCrorie (Roberts 90), Williams (Twine 72), Knight, Pring, Bird (Mehmeti 72), Earthy (McGuane 81), Wells. **Booked:** Pring 48. **Sunderland:** Patterson, Hume, Mepham, O'Nien, Hjelde (Anderson 82), Neil, Le Fee (Abdul Samed 61), Roberts (Isidor 61), Rigg (Bellingham 61), Watson, Mayenda (Browne 77). **Sent-off:** Hume 7, **Booked:** Patterson 66, Hjelde 80, Anderson 89. **Ref:** Oliver Langford.

COVENTRY (1) 2 — **WEST BROM (0) 0**
Rudoni 6, Grimes 48 — ATT: 31,167
Coventry: Collins, van Ewijk, Latibeaudiere, Kitching (Binks 90), Dasilva (Bidwell 66), Sheaf, Grimes (Allen 77), Sakamoto, Rudoni, Wright (Paterson 90), Simms (Bassette 78). **Booked:** Grimes 11, Dasilva 43, Kitching 53. **West Brom:** Griffiths, Furlong, Bartley, Heggem, Styles, Price (Diangana 46), Mowatt (Diakite 67), Fellows, Ahearne-Grant (Armstrong 73), Johnston (Dike 73), Lankshear (Swift 46). **Booked:** Styles 28. **Sent-off:** Styles 51. **Ref:** Craig Pawson.

DERBY (0) 0 — **LUTON (1) 1**
ATT: 32,159 — Alli 10
Derby: Vickers, Langas (Goudmijn 76), Phillips, Clarke, Wilson, Armstrong (Barkhuizen 90), Adams, Forsyth, Mendez-Laing (Jackson 15), Yates, Harness. **Booked:** Langas 29, Jackson 90. **Luton:** Kaminski, Makosso, McGuinness, Bell, Jones (Burke 73), Naismith, Aasgaard, Clark (Nakamba 81), Alli (Chong 90), Morris (Nordas 81), Dabo (Mengi 72). **Booked:** Morris 38, Alli 68. **Ref:** James Linington.

MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 2 — **PLYMOUTH (1) 1**
Azaz 12, Conway 90 (pen) — Bundu 17;ATT: 26,276
Middlesbrough: Travers, Dijksteel (Fry 62), Howson, van den Berg, Iling-Junior (Giles 89), Morris, Hackney, Forss (Iheanacho 73), Whittaker (Burgzorg 89), Azaz, Conway. **Plymouth:** Hazard, Edwards, Szucs, Palsson, Pleguezuelo (Puchacz 88), Mumba, Gyabi (Wright 72), Randell, Houghton (Boateng 89), Hardie (Obafemi 89), Bundu (Tijani 78). **Booked:** Pleguezuelo 45, Hazard 52. **Sent-off:** Edwards 90. **Ref:** Anthony Backhouse.

NORWICH (1) 3 — **PORTSMOUTH (3) 5**
Sargent 21 — Bishop 15, 45 (pen), 51
Stacey 64 — Ritchie 39, Poole 71
Marcondes 90 — ATT: 26,838
Norwich: Long, Duffy (Forson 89), Cordoba, McLean (Sorensen 67), Wright, Fisher, Ben Slimane (Stacey 46), Nunez, Schwartau (Doyle 58), Sargent (Marcondes 46), Sainz. **Booked:** Sainz 79. **Portsmouth:** Schmid, Williams, Poole, Atkinson (Swanson 85), Ogilvie, Potts, Hayden (Dozzell 55), Ritchie (Pack 86), Aouchiche (Devlin 85), Murphy, Bishop (Yengi 75). **Booked:** Ritchie 31, Hayden 32, Dozzell 90. **Ref:** Thomas Kirk.

OXFORD UTD (0) 0 — **LEEDS (1) 1**
ATT: 11,537 — Solomon 33
Oxford Utd: Cumming, Long, Helik, Nelson, Bennett (Leigh 65), Vaulks, Brannagan, Placheta (Mills 80), Matos (Bradshaw 80), Goodrham (El Mizouni 89), Harris (Romeny 65). **Booked:** Placheta 42, Vaulks 59, Helik 61, Mills 84. **Leeds:** Darlow, Bogle, Rodon, Ampadu, Firpo, Tanaka, Gruev, Gnonto (James 76), Aaronson (Guilavogui 90), Solomon (Schmidt 87), Piroe (Bamford 76). **Booked:** Gruev 62, Bogle 90. **Ref:** Dean Whitestone.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leeds	43	26	13	4	83	29	91
Burnley	43	25	16	2	59	14	91
Sheff Utd	43	27	7	9	59	33	86
Sunderland	43	21	13	9	58	40	76
Bristol City	43	17	16	10	56	46	67
Coventry	43	19	9	15	61	54	66
Middlesbrough	43	18	9	16	63	52	63
West Brom	43	14	18	11	51	41	60
Millwall	43	16	12	15	42	45	60
Blackburn	43	17	8	18	49	46	59
Swansea	43	16	9	18	46	51	57
Watford	43	16	8	19	51	57	56
Norwich	43	13	14	16	66	63	53
QPR	43	13	14	16	51	56	53
Sheff Wed	43	14	11	18	56	66	53
Stoke	43	12	14	17	45	54	50
Preston	43	10	19	14	44	53	49
Portsmouth	43	13	10	20	55	69	49
Oxford Utd	43	12	12	19	43	61	48
Hull	43	11	12	20	41	51	45
Derby	43	11	10	22	44	55	43
Luton	43	11	10	22	38	63	43
Cardiff	43	9	15	19	45	68	42
Plymouth	43	9	13	21	45	84	40

*Sheff Utd deducted 2pts

PRESTON (1) 1 — **QPR (0) 2**
Lindsay 45 — Frey 80
ATT: 14,922 — Andersen 90
Preston: Cornell, Storey, Lindsay, Hughes, Whiteman, Kesler-Hayden, Greenwood (Jakobsen 75), Thordarson (Keane 85), Brady, Osmajic, Frokjaer-Jensen. **Booked:** Whiteman 52. **QPR:** Nardi, Dunne, Morrison, Edwards, Ashby (Frey 74), Varane, Colback, Dembele (Smyth 46), Madsen (Andersen 75), Saito (Kolli 40), Yang (Paal 66). **Booked:** Kolli 48, Ashby 70. **Ref:** Jeremy Simpson.

SHEFF UTD (1) 2 — **CARDIFF (0) 0**
Hamer 33, Brereton Diaz 87 — ATT: 28,201
Sheff Utd: Cooper, Choudhury, Ahmedhodzic, Holding (Robinson 85), Burrows, Peck, Vinicius Souza, Rak-Sakyi (Brereton Diaz 78), Brewster (O'Hare 65), Hamer (Seriki 85), Campbell (Moore 65). **Booked:** Choudhury 69. **Cardiff:** Horvath, Rinomhota, Fish, Chambers, O'Dowda, Robertson (Turnbull 67), Mannsverk (R Colwill 76 (Bagan 89)), Tanner (Ashford 46), Meite, Alves (Willock 46), Salech. **Booked:** Fish 25. **Ref:** Tony Harrington.

STOKE (1) 2 — **SHEFF WED (0) 0**
Manhoef 21, Wilmot 61 — ATT: 29,163
Stoke: Johansson, Tchamadeu, Phillips, Wilmot, Bocat (J Thompson 13 (Gooch 52)), Pearson, Burger, Manhoef, Baker (Lawal 90), Bae, Gallagher (Al Hamadi 89). **Booked:** Pearson 2, Wilmot 53. **Sheff Wed:** P Charles, Valery, Iorfa (Otegbayo 58), Famewo, Hatsuse (Johnson 46), S Charles, Ingelsson (Bannan 58), Windass, Armstrong (Valentin 70), Gassama (Smith 77), Paterson. **Booked:** Iorfa 3, Bannan 66. **Ref:** Stephen Martin.

SWANSEA (0) 1 — **HULL (0) 0**
Vipotnik 51 (pen) — ATT: 18,775
Swansea: Vigouroux, Key, Cabango, Darling, Tymon, Allen (Fulton 64), Ronald (Bianchini 84), Goncalo Franco, O'Brien, Eom (Cooper 84), Vipotnik (Cullen 75). **Booked:** Allen 27, Fulton 72. **Hull:** Pandur, Coyle (Burstow 81), Egan, Hughes, McLoughlin (Drameh 37), Slater, Puerta (Crooks 60), Gelhardt, Palmer (Amrabat 60), Lincoln (Kamara 60), Joao Pedro. **Booked:** McLoughlin 3, Gelhardt 13, Crooks 86. **Sent-off:** Crooks 90. **Ref:** Ben Toner.

WATFORD (1) 1 — **BURNLEY (1) 2**
Doumbia 8 — Flemming 43
ATT: 20,523 — Brownhill 58
Watford: Selvik, Ngakia (Andrews 75), Pollock, Abankwah (Sierralta 85), Wiley, Louza (Dele-Bashiru 85), Dwomoh, Sissoko, Kayembe, Vata (Ince 75), Doumbia (Bayo 75). **Booked:** Sissoko 59. **Sent-off:** Sissoko 60, **Booked:** Kayembe 66. **Sent-off:** Kayembe 69, **Booked:** Louza 69, Bayo 85, Andrews 90.
Burnley: Trafford, Roberts, Egan-Riley, Esteve, Lucas Pires, Brownhill (Sarmiento 90), Cullen, Edwards (Laurent 72), Mejbri, Anthony, Flemming (Barnes 88). **Booked:** Flemming 61, Cullen 66, Sarmiento 90, Trafford 90. **Ref:** Matthew Donohue.

THE WEEK AHEAD

(3 unless stated)

TODAY

Premier League
Tottenham v Nottm Forest (8)

Sky Bet Championship
Burnley v Sheff Utd (5.30)
Cardiff v Oxford Utd
Hull v Preston
Leeds v Stoke
Luton v Bristol City
Millwall v Norwich
Plymouth v Coventry
Portsmouth v Watford
QPR v Swansea
Sheff Wed v Middlesbrough
Sunderland v Blackburn
West Brom v Derby

Sky Bet League One
Barnsley v Peterborough
Blackpool v Wrexham
Bristol Rovers v Stevenage
Burton A v Birmingham
Cambridge Utd v Leyton O
Crawley Town v Exeter
Lincoln City v Bolton
Mansfield v Reading
Northampton v Shrewsbury
Stockport C v Huddersfield
Wigan v Rotherham
Wycombe v Charlton

Sky Bet League Two
Accrington v Carlisle
Barrow v Tranmere
Chesterfield v Bradford
Crewe v MK Dons
Doncaster v Colchester
Gillingham v AFC Wimbledon
Harrogate Tn v Fleetwood Tn
Morecambe v Salford City
Newport C v Walsall (12.30)
Notts County v Cheltenham
Port Vale v Grimsby
Swindon v Bromley

Vanarama National League
Braintree Town v Dag & Red
Eastleigh v Yeovil
Ebbsfleet United v Southend
FC Halifax v Altrincham
Forest Green v Tamworth
Hartlepool v Gateshead
Rochdale v AFC Fylde
Solihull Moors v Boston Utd
Sutton Utd v Barnet
Wealdstone v Maidenhead Utd
Woking v Aldershot (12.30)
York v Oldham
(7.45 unless stated)

TOMORROW

Premier League
Man City v Aston Villa (8)

WEDNESDAY

Premier League
Arsenal v Crystal Palace (8)

THURSDAY

Sky Bet League One
Stevenage v Birmingham

FRIDAY

Sky Bet Championship
Stoke v Sheff Utd (8)

William Hill Scottish Ch'ship
Partick v Falkirk
(3 unless stated)

SATURDAY

Emirates FA Cup Semi-Final
Crystal P v Aston Villa (5.15)

Premier League
Brighton v West Ham
Chelsea v Everton (12.30)
Newcastle v Ipswich
Southampton v Fulham
Wolves v Leicester

Sky Bet Championship
Blackburn v Watford
Cardiff v West Brom
Hull v Derby
Luton v Coventry (12.30)
Middlesbrough v Norwich
Millwall v Swansea
Oxford Utd v Sunderland
Preston v Plymouth
QPR v Burnley (12.30)
Sheff Wed v Portsmouth

Sky Bet League One
Barnsley v Shrewsbury
Bristol R v Reading (12.30)
Burton A v Cambridge Utd
Crawley Town v Northampton
Exeter v Huddersfield
Leyton O v Wycombe (12.30)
Peterborough v Bolton
Stockport C v Lincoln City
Wigan v Blackpool
Wrexham v Charlton (5.30)

Sky Bet League Two
Wimbledon v Port Vale (12.30)
Barrow v Bromley
Cheltenham v Carlisle
Chesterfield v Morecambe
Doncaster v Bradford (12.30)
Fleetwood Tn v Newport C
Gillingham v Swindon
Harrogate Town v Notts C (1)
MK Dons v Grimsby
Salford City v Colchester
Tranmere v Crewe
Walsall v Accrington

William Hill Scottish Prem
Dundee Utd v Celtic (12.30)
Aberdeen v Hibernian
St Mirren v Rangers
Hearts v Dundee
Kilmarnock v Ross County
Motherwell v St Johnstone

William Hill Scottish Ch'ship
Ayr v Queen's Park
Dunfermline v Airdrieonians
Hamilton v Livingston
Raith v Morton

William Hill Scottish League 1
Alloa v Montrose
Cove Rangers v Kelty Hearts
Dumbarton v Annan Athletic
Inverness CT v Arbroath
Queen of S'th v Stenhousemuir

William Hill Scottish Lge 2
Bonnyrigg Rose v Spartans
Edinburgh City v Forfar
Elgin v Stranraer
Peterhead v East Fife
Stirling v Clyde

William Hill Scottish Lge 2 Play-Off Semi-Final First Leg
East Kilbride v Brora

SUNDAY

Emirates FA Cup Semi-Final
Nottm Forest v Man City (4.30)

Premier League
Bournemouth v Man Utd (2)
Liverpool v Tottenham (4.30)

Sky Bet League One
Birmingham v Mansfield
Stevenage v Rotherham (2)

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LEAGUE TWO

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AFC WIMBLEDON (0) 0 — **CHESTERFIELD (0) 0**
ATT: 8,506
AFC Wimbledon: Goodman, Harbottle, Lewis, Johnson (Hutchinson 46), Neufville, Maycock, Smith, Tilley, Stevens (Foyo 62), Bugiel (Pigott 75), Kelly (Sasu 63). **Booked:** Johnson 31, Kelly 45, Tilley 67, Neufville 87. **Chesterfield:** Boot, Mandeville, Palmer, McFadzean, Araujo (Gordon 61), Fleck, Naylor, Banks (Madden 43), Metcalfe, Olakigbe (Grigg 81), Pepple (Colclough 61). **Booked:** Mandeville 90. **Ref:** Carl Brook.

BROMLEY (0) 1 — **MORECAMBE (0) 0**
Cheek 48 (pen) — ATT: 2,382
Bromley: Smith, Grant, Sowunmi, Elerewe, Odutayo, Arthurs, Charles, Imray (McKirdy 83), Thompson (Whitely 63), Congreve (Ilunga 62), Cheek. **Booked:** Sowunmi 63, Charles 82. **Morecambe:** Burgoyne, Taylor, Songo'o, Stott (Tutonda 42), A Lewis, White, Tollitt, Jones (Slew 79), P Lewis, Angol (Dackers 79), Dallas (Hope 65). **Booked:** Tutonda 66, Songo'o 67. **Sent-off:** Tutonda 68, **Booked:** P Lewis 78. **Ref:** Declan Bourne.

CARLISLE (2) 3 — **PORT VALE (0) 2**
Kelly 36 — Stockley 61
Dennis 43 — Hart 70
Hayden 49 — ATT: 12,305
Carlisle: Breeze, Ellis, Hayden, Thomas, Harper, Whelan, Fusire (Guy 84), Harris, Wearne (Vela 90), Dennis (Hugill 85), Kelly. **Booked:** Wearne 79, Dennis 85, Hayden 86, Barclay 90. **Sent-off:** Dennis 90, **Booked:** Thomas 90. **Port Vale:** Amos, Debrah, Smith, Hall (Richards 87), Walters (Byers 46), Clark, Croasdale, Garrity (Curtis 77), Shorrock (Hart 46), Tolaj, Stockley. **Booked:** Byers 68. **Ref:** Martin Woods.

CHELTENHAM (1) 1 — **GILLINGHAM (1) 1**
Stubbs 22 — Morgan 2
ATT: 4,702
Cheltenham: Day, Jude-Boyd, Stubbs, Bennett (Bradbury 46), Haynes (Bakare 80), Kinsella, Backwell, Thomas, Archer (Williams 61), Dulson (Hay 61), Miller (Taylor 61). **Booked:** Taylor 66. **Gillingham:** Holtam, Gale, Masterson, Ogie, Hutton, McKenzie, Khumbeni (Rowe 84), Clark, Nolan (Williams 71), Morgan (Dack 60), Nevitt (Hawkins 84). **Booked:** Hutton 57, Nevitt 76. **Ref:** Graham Scott.

COLCHESTER (0) 0 — **CREWE (0) 0**
ATT: 7,623
Colchester: Macey, Egbo, Kelleher (Bishop 63), Flanagan, Iandolo, McDonnell, Read, Thorn (Gordon 71), Scully (Simpson 62), Edwards, Tovide. **Booked:** Tovide 86. **Crewe:** Marschall, Billington, O'Riordan, Demetriou, Williams, Thomas (Sanders 22), Tabiner (Agius 58), Lunt, Lowery (Knight-Lebel 71), Conway, Hemmings (Long 71). **Sent-off:** Lunt 45, **Booked:** Billington 53, Long 82, Marschall 86, Williams 86. **Ref:** Scott Oldham.

FLEETWOOD TOWN (0) 0 — **BARROW (0) 0**
Fleetwood Town: Lynch, Bennett, Bolton, Potter, Rooney, Virtue, Neal (Morrison 69), Mayor, Patterson, Helm, Devonport (Moore 76). **Booked:** Neal 14, Potter 38, Rooney 51.
Barrow: Stanway, Foley, Canavan, Williams, Jackson (Smith 58), Gotts, Campbell, Whitfield, Newby (Kouyate 80), Mahoney (Fletcher 73), Acquah (Pressley 59). **Booked:** Acquah 51, Whitfield 60. **Ref:** Stephen Parkinson.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Port Vale	43	21	13	9	61	43	76
Doncaster	43	21	12	10	66	48	75
Bradford	43	21	11	11	59	40	74
Walsall	43	20	13	10	74	53	73
AFC Wimbledon	43	19	13	11	55	32	70
Notts County	43	19	12	12	63	44	69
Colchester	43	16	18	9	51	40	66
Grimsby	43	20	6	17	59	64	66
Chesterfield	43	17	12	14	65	50	63
Salford City	43	16	14	13	55	50	62
Crewe	43	15	17	11	49	44	62
Swindon	43	15	15	13	70	61	60
Bromley	43	15	14	14	57	56	59
Fleetwood Town	43	14	15	14	57	56	57
Barrow	43	15	11	17	49	47	56
Cheltenham	43	14	12	17	55	64	54
Gillingham	43	12	15	16	38	45	51
Newport County	43	13	9	21	51	70	48
MK Dons	43	13	8	22	51	66	47
Harrogate Town	43	12	11	20	37	56	47
Accrington Stanley	43	11	13	19	51	67	46
Tranmere	43	10	14	19	39	64	44
Carlisle	43	10	10	23	39	65	40
Morecambe	43	10	6	27	37	63	36

GRIMSBY (0) 0 — **SWINDON (2) 4**
Nichols 8
Clarke 32
Tshimanga 65
ATT: 7,624 — Ameen 90
Grimsby: Wright, Rodgers, Tharme, McJannett, McEachran (Turi 55), Svanthorsson, Khouri (Ainley 63), Green, Hume (Vernam 55), Rose (Burns 76), Barrington. **Booked:** Turi 59. **Swindon:** Ripley, Clarke (Westley 78), Wright, Freckleton, Cotterill (Sobowale 78), Kilkenny, Nichols, Kirkman, Glatzel, Tshimanga (Ameen 87), Smith. **Booked:** Clarke 76, Freckleton 81. **Ref:** Sebastian Stockbridge.

MK DONS (0) 0 — **NEWPORT COUNTY (0) 0**
ATT: 8,135
MK Dons: MacGillivray, Offord, Sanders, Maguire, Tomlinson, Lemonheigh-Evans, Thompson-Sommers, O'Reilly (White 46), Kelly (Leko 74), Hogan, Hendry (Orsi-Dadomo 31). **Booked:** Thompson-Sommers 23, Maguire 39, Lemonheigh-Evans 43, O'Reilly 45. **Newport County:** Townsend, Thomas, Clarke (Warner 79), Baker, McLoughlin, Antwi, Brennan, Whitmore (Evans 62), Spellman (Ajiboye 79), Baker-Richardson (Hudlin 62), Kamwa. **Booked:** Baker-Richardson 50, Hudlin 89. **Ref:** Abigail Byrne.

SALFORD CITY (0) 1 — **ACCRINGTON STANLEY (1) 2**
Adelakun 70 (pen) — Whalley 37
ATT: 2,945 — B Woods 62
Salford City: Young, Mnoga, Edwards (Warrington 46), Garbutt, Longelo, Ashley, Fornah, Adelakun, Woodburn (Lund 46), N'Mai, Stockton (Taylor 63). **Booked:** Mnoga 61, N'Mai 74, Ashley 83. **Accrington Stanley:** Kelly, Aljofree, Matthews, Ward, Love, Coyle, Grant, B Woods, Whalley (Henderson 86), Walton (Mooney 66), J Woods (O'Brien-Whitmarsh 80). **Booked:** Walton 15, Whalley 87, Kelly 90. **Ref:** Lee Swabey.

TRANMERE (0) 0 — **DONCASTER (1) 3**
Molyneux 23, 51 (pen), 77
ATT: 8,814
Tranmere: McGee, O'Connor (Taylor 78), Turnbull, Wood, Norman, Finley (Jennings 78), Hendry (Garrett 83), Patrick, Hawkes (Davison 46), Morris (Merrie 46), Dennis. **Booked:** Dennis 32. **Doncaster:** Sharman-Lowe, Sterry (Nixon 87), Bailey, Anderson, Senior, Crew (Westbrooke 69), Broadbent, Molyneux (Sbarra 87), Clifton (Kelly 69), Gibson (Ennis 69), Street. **Booked:** Clifton 28, Bailey 55, Anderson 89. **Ref:** Scott Tallis.

WALSALL (1) 2 — **HARROGATE TOWN (1) 2**
O'Connor 16 (og) — March 22
Gordon 88 — Taylor 62
ATT: 7,408
Walsall: Simkin, Okagbue, Williams, Allen, Barrett (Asiimwe 78), Hall (Adomah 78), Stirk, Jellis (Chang 78), Gordon, Matt, Harrison (Amantchi 66). **Booked:** Chang 84, Stirk 90.
Harrogate Town: Belshaw, Sims, O'Connor, Moon, Akono Bilongo (Asare 90), Morris, Fox, Taylor, Muldoon, Daly, March. **Booked:** Moon 34, Akono Bilongo 37, Taylor 43, Fox 51.
Ref: Stephen Parkinson.

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THAT'S SO SPAIN-FUL

But Bronze defiant despite battering

BARCELONA 4
CHELSEA 1

LUCY BRONZE insists Chelsea can summon another Champions League comeback after being left with a mountain to climb following a heavy defeat to Barcelona.

A brace from substitute Claudia Pina inspired holders Barca to a convincing victory in the first leg of their semi-final tie in Spain.

The Blues overcame a 2-0 first-leg deficit to knock Manchester City out of the quarter-finals.

And Bronze believes they can deliver a repeat of their heroics, despite admitting they were well beaten by the two-time defending champions.

"We let the game get away from us at the end," Bronze said.

"Barca were the better team over 90 minutes and deserved the win, but we maybe just let up too many goals at the end when we were trying to keep going, lost our rhythm a lot.

"You saw how easy it was for us to score the goal we did score.

"We've already shown in the Champions League that we can win 3-0 at Stamford Bridge, we have that within us."

Ewa Pajor opened the scoring for the hosts in the 35th minute at the Johan Cruyff Stadium after Blues keeper Hannah Hampton saved Alexia Putellas' ninth-minute penalty.

Pina scored her first with 20 minutes remaining before Sandy Baltimore clawed one back for the Blues.

But Irene Paredes restored their advantage and Pina struck again on the stroke of full-time to hand Sonia Bompastor's Quadruple-chasing side their biggest defeat in 17 months.

Despite the tall task facing Chelsea, midfielder Keira Walsh remained upbeat, saying: "It's tough but we've got to go for it.

"We needed to score three goals against Man City and we managed to do it. We know we're capable, we know we've got the ability."

Barcelona have won the trophy three times in the last four seasons, but are not ready to take their foot off the gas.

Hero Pina said: "There is still the return game to go. Chelsea are a great team.

"They will be at their stadium, with their fans, so it is still open. We will go there and try and win the game and get through this semi-final.

"It's a good result. It was a complete performance, but it's a small advantage. It's not over."

BARCA BITE
Erin Cuthbert and Guro Reiten of Chelsea are dejected after defeat

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SEMI-FINALS

ARSENAL (0) 1
Caldentey 78 (pen)

BARCELONA (1) 4
Pajor 35
Pina 70, 90
Paredes 82

LYON (1) 2
Diani 17
Dumornay 82

CHELSEA (0) 1
Baltimore 74

SCOTLAND

HOOPS STILL A TRIPLE THREAT

DAIZEN MAEDA (above) scored twice as CELTIC inflicted a crushing 5-0 defeat on ST JOHNSTONE to set up a Scottish Cup final with ABERDEEN.

Brendan Rogers' side blew the Premiership strugglers away with a four-goal blast in 12 first-half minutes, which was kick-started by Callum McGregor and with Adam Idah adding to Maeda's double. Jota wrapped up the win after the break as the Hoops remain on course for the Treble.

Boss Rodgers said: "I'm very impressed. Once we got the opening goal, we go on and produce a brilliant performance. Today was about getting into the final and the players did that with a great performance."

SCOTTISH CUP SEMI-FINAL

HEARTS (1) 1
Shankland 28

ABERDEEN (1) 2
Gordon 18 (og)
Dabbagh 118

ST JOHNSTONE (0) 0

CELTIC (4) 5
McGregor 34
Maeda 37, 45
Idah 45
Jota 67
Att: 43,632

SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP

FRIDAY GAME

LIVINGSTON (3) 5
Kelly 6, 45
Muirhead 33 (pen)
Montano 79, McAlear 90

AYR (0) 0
Att: 1,606

SATURDAY

AIRDRIEONIANS (0) 0

MORTON (1) 1
Adeloye 34
Att: 1,706

DUNFERMLINE (0) 0

PARTICK (0) 0
Att: 5,688

FALKIRK (1) 1
Miller 17

RAITH (0) 3
Marsh 88
Hanlon 90
Easton 90 (pen)
Att: 7,539

HAMILTON (0) 0

QUEEN'S PARK (0) 0
Att: 1,102

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Falkirk	34	21	7	6	68	30	70
Livingston	34	19	10	5	52	26	67
Ayr	34	17	8	9	54	37	59
Partick	34	13	10	11	40	37	49
Raith	34	14	7	13	41	41	49
Morton	34	11	11	12	39	47	44
Dunfermline	34	9	7	18	28	41	34
Queen's Park	34	9	7	18	33	48	34
Airdrieonians	34	7	7	20	34	61	28
Hamilton	34	10	6	18	37	58	21

*Hamilton deducted 15 points

SCOTTISH LEAGUE ONE

ANNAN ATHLETIC (2) 5
P Smith 31
T Muir 40, 61
Ross 72, 79

ARBROATH (1) 1
King 17
Att: 604

COVE RANGERS (1) 1
O'Donnel 45 (og)

ALLOA (0) 1
MacKenzie 65
Att: 484

KELTY HEARTS (1) 1
MacIntyre 3

QUEEN OF SOUTH (1) 3
Luissint 28
Allan 63
Kennedy 69
Att: 590

MONTROSE (1) 2
Stirton 21
Quinn 84

DUMBARTON (1) 2
Pignatiello 41
Wallace 63 (pen)
Att: 1,087

STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 1
Gilmour 90 (og)

INVERNESS CT (0) 1
McKay 56
Att: 764

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
C Arbroath	34	19	6	9	57	38	63

NON-LEAGUE

BEES A HIVE OF ACTIVITY

CONNOR SMITH is hoping more than 1,000 travelling Barnet fans can push the team over the line and back into the Football League.

The Bees make the trip to Sutton today four points clear in the National League with three games to play and assistant manager Smith (above) is thrilled at the numbers he has been hearing.

"It has been amazing," said Smith.

"The support, especially in the last month or two, has gone through the roof – and we want to keep that going.

"The numbers I'm hearing are outstanding.

"To bring more than 1,000 fans to an away game is testament to how the lads have been doing and how much the fans are behind us.

"That will give the lads an extra edge. When you hear that noise, that spurs them on even more."

At the other end of the table, Wealdstone sit two points above the drop line and Maidenhead four points behind them, so their clash today will be pivotal in the battle to survive.

Wealdstone lost on Friday at Boston, who moved three points ahead of them as a result, making today even more important.

Dagenham sit between the two, two points behind Wealdstone, and travel to Braintree, with the home side knowing that a win will see them safe.

VANARAMA NATIONAL

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Barnet	43	28	9	6	87	37	93
York	43	27	8	8	90	41	89
Forest Green	43	20	16	7	64	41	76
Oldham	43	18	15	10	61	46	69
Rochdale	42	19	10	13	63	41	67
FC Halifax	43	18	13	12	48	40	67
Gateshead	43	19	9	15	73	63	66
Southend	43	15	16	12	52	48	61
Altrincham	43	16	12	15	63	55	60
Tamworth	43	16	12	15	60	65	60
Hartlepool	43	13	17	13	54	54	56
Sutton Utd	43	14	14	15	55	59	56
Yeovil	43	15	11	17	49	55	56
Eastleigh	43	13	16	14	55	57	55
Solihull Moors	42	15	9	18	57	61	54
Aldershot	43	13	15	15	67	75	54
Woking	43	12	17	14	46	56	53
Braintree Town	43	14	10	19	49	58	52
Boston Utd	43	14	10	19	50	60	52
Wealdstone	43	12	13	18	52	71	49
Dag & Red	43	11	14	18	54	60	47
Maidenhead Utd	43	12	9	22	51	74	45
R AFC Fylde	43	11	6	26	47	78	39
R Ebbsfleet Utd	43	3	13	27	38	90	22

NICK FINDS THERE'S NO THREE-SY GAMES

WSL ROUND-UP

NICK CUSHING admits Manchester's City's 1-1 draw with Everton marked a missed opportunity in their bid to break into the top three.

City hoped to close the gap on third-placed Manchester United after their rivals dropped points in a scoreless stalemate with West Ham on Saturday.

They made a positive start with Kerstin Casparij (right) giving City an early lead, but Karen Holmgaard levelled for the visitors. Cushing's side are seven points behind United and the City boss said: "Manchester United opened the door a little bit for us, but I also knew it wasn't going to be as simple as that today with the condition of the team and options from the bench.

"The second goal was really important and we didn't find it. It ended up being the difference between one and three points."

Kirsty Hanson's stoppage-time winner completed Aston Villa's 3-2 win at Tottenham to open a seven-point gap to bottom club Crystal Palace.

Anna Patten and Ebony Salmon fired Villa into a two-goal lead, but Spurs appeared to have salvaged a point thanks to efforts from Jess Naz and Ella Morris before Hanson struck at the death.

WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE

BRIGHTON (0) 1
Agyemang 48

LIVERPOOL FC (2) 2
Smith 2
Kiernan 43

WEST HAM (0) 0

MAN UTD (0) 0

MAN CITY (1) 1
Casparij 13

EVERTON (1) 1
K Holmgaard 33

TOTTENHAM (0) 2
Naz 65
Morris 70

ASTON VILLA (1) 3
Patten 30
Salmon 56
Hanson 90

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelsea	18	15	3	0	49	13	48
Arsenal	19	14	3	2	54	14	45
Man Utd	19	13	4	2	36	9	43
Man City	19	11	3	5	41	24	36
Liverpool FC	19	7	3	9	20	32	24
Brighton	19	6	4	9	27	34	22
West Ham	19	5	5	9	25	33	20
Everton	19	5	5	9	19	28	20
Tottenham	19	5	3	11	23	40	18
Leicester	19	4	4	11	15	32	16
Aston Villa	19	4	4	11	21	39	16
Crystal Palace	18	2	3	13	15	47	9