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Harry in surprise court appearance

■ Prince gives evidence in London court in claim against Associated Newspapers

Prince Harry has claimed the Royal Family withheld information about phone hacking to stop him launching a legal battle against the alleged snoopers.

During a surprise visit to London this week, the Duke of Sussex said in a statement to the High Court that other Royals believed he could "open a can of worms" by bringing a claim.

Harry appeared at the central London court for a two days this week during a preliminary hearing of his action against Daily Mail publisher Associated Newspapers.

The 38-year-old said in his witness statement he was "conditioned to accept" his family's "never complain, never explain" rule when dealing with the press.

But he realised five years ago that he "had a claim that I could bring" while discussing hacking allegations against the publisher News Group Newspapers.

Harry, who lives in California with his wife Meghan, 41, said in his

submission he would refer to the Royal Family as "the Institution".

He went on: "The Institution was without a doubt withholding information from me for a long time about NGN's phone hacking.

"That has only become clear in recent years as I have pursued my own claim with different legal advice and representation."

'unchecked power'

He added: "It is not an exaggeration to say that the bubble burst in terms of what I knew in 2020 when I moved out of the United Kingdom. There was never any centralised discussion between us about who had brought claims as each office in the Institution is siloed.

"There is this misconception that we are all in constant communication with one

another but that is not true.

"I am bringing this claim because I love my country and I remain deeply concerned by the unchecked power, influence and criminality of Associated. The British public deserve to know the full extent of this cover-up and I feel it is my duty to expose it."

The Duke is one of seven famous people, including Sir Elton John, Liz Hurley and Sadie Frost, accusing Associated Newspapers of numerous breaches of privacy.

As court broke on Wednesday, Harry exchanged a hug with one of the other claimants, Baroness Lawrence, mother of murdered black teenager Stephen Lawrence.

The newspaper group hit back on Thursday, branding the allegations "preposterous".



HARRY: "I am bringing this claim because I love my country..."



POWERFUL ALLIES: Sir Elton John is one of seven famous people accusing Associated Newspapers of numerous breaches of privacy

Barristers for the defendants argued Harry and the six others run out of time to bring privacy claims against the Mail titles. The law requires that claims are brought

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News from Britain

'Dangerous' British tanks arrive in Ukraine

THE first British and German main battle tanks have been delivered safely to Ukraine.

It is hoped the Challenger 2s from the UK and the 18 German Leopard 2s will give Ukraine a vital edge on the frontline.

Ukraine's government did not officially comment on the Leopards, but on Wednesday confirmed receipt of the Challengers.

Posting a picture of a Challenger on his Facebook page, Ukrainian Defence Minister Oleksii Reznikov called the tank military art.

It is believed 14 in total will be sent by the

UK, though it is unclear how many have been delivered.

The UK's Ministry of Defence confirmed Ukrainian tank crews are back home after completing training in the UK.

Defence Secretary Ben Wallace said: "It is truly inspiring to witness the determination of Ukrainian soldiers training on Challenger 2s.

"We will continue to do all we can to support Ukraine for as long as it takes."

Lieutenant Colonel John Stone, who oversaw the training said: "We have no doubt our friends will use the Challenger

2 tanks most effectively in the battles to come." More Leopard 2s could be sent by other countries, provided Germany agrees.

In addition some 40 German Marder infantry fighting vehicles, and two armoured recovery vehicles have also reached Ukraine, a security source said. Like Britain, Germany has trained the crews. The highly regarded Leopard 2 is designed to compete with the Russian T-90 tank. As well as the German vehicles, three Leopards donated by Portugal have also reached Ukraine, a security source said.

The Kremlin has described



ADDED FIREPOWER: Britain is thought to have given 14 Challenger 2 tanks to the Ukraine military effort

the supply of the tanks as a "dangerous provocation".

As fighting continued in the East of Ukraine, Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky this week held an emergency meeting with UN atomic

energy chief Rafael Mariano Grossi amid fears of another Chernobyl-like disaster.

The pair discussed the "perilous" situation at the giant Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant, after

relentless fighting in the area.

In another cause for concern, Russia on Tuesday test fired two supersonic anti-ship cruise missiles into the Sea of Japan.

Screen star gives Zelensky a Blooming big endorsement

SCREEN star Orlando Bloom this week hugged Volodymyr Zelensky and told him he was a true hero for the way he leads his "awe-inspiring" people.

The United Nations goodwill ambassador spent three days meeting families and children affected by the war in Ukraine.

The Pirates of the Caribbean and Lord of the Rings actor ended

his visit on Monday by meeting the President.

He told him: "To see the children, to see in their eyes the anxiety, and yet the strength of the Ukrainian people, is really awe-inspiring.

"Your messaging is the reason for that. It's remarkable to see how you are holding this country together."

President Zelensky modestly shrugged off the personal praise and

said everyone in the country was "holding" each other up.

In his role for Unicef, Bloom, 46, visited the Ukrainian capital and towns Irpin and Demydiv.

The dad of two helped sisters Milana, eight, and Alisa, three, with some crafts at the Unicef Spilno Child Spot in Kyiv.

At the presidential palace, the Hollywood actor praised the



SOLIDARITY: Zelensky and Bloom in Kyiv this week

Ukrainian people's "courage and determination" and discussed reconstruction efforts.

The celebrity visitor said Unicef was gravely concerned about missing children, adding "the world is watching" after

Russian leader Vladimir Putin was charged with war crimes by the International Criminal Court.

HARRY:

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within six years.

But some of the allegations against Associated date back decades.

Last year, the seven claimants said they had only recently become aware of "compelling and highly distressing evidence that they had been the victims of abhorrent criminal activity and

gross breaches of privacy by Associated Newspapers".

This included, they said, evidence that the publisher's journalists paid private investigators for bugging cars and homes, listening to private telephone calls, paying police officials and obtaining medical and financial records.

At the Leveson Inquiry in 2011, the Mail's editor Paul Dacre swore on oath that his journalists had not used illegal methods

of gathering information. The lawyers for the claimants say legal action was prevented because of these denials.

They are now arguing that the clock for bringing a legal action only started when the new evidence came to light.

If the judge decides in favour of the newspapers, the case could be brought to an end long before it comes to a trial.

A decision is expected early next week.



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Bronson 'son' reveals PR scam

A man who claimed to be Charles Bronson's son for six years has now said that they are not related.

George Bamby said he agreed to fake the relation in order to gain publicity for the notorious prisoner, adding that he "made loads of money" from it.

The self-described "PR agent" made the comment during an interview with TalkTV about Bronson losing his Parole Board bid to be freed from jail.

Mr Bamby said Bronson – who changed his surname to Salvador in 2014 – approached him six years ago asking if he would help "get loads of publicity for him and make sure he wasn't forgotten about".

He said: "Me and Charlie together made up the story that he was my dad."

"Charles Bronson is not my father. I am a PR agent. I'm a marketing person, and I'm the UK's number one paparazzi."

"I've not told anybody this for six years and it's been an absolute bane of my life."

He added: "Me and Charlie, for the last six years, have made loads of money, we've had loads of fun, we've created loads of stories, we've done loads of ridiculous things, we've manipulated the media, we've manipulated the prison service."

"I got into the maximum security services in four different prisons as a journalist."

Mr Bamby said the profits were split between him and Bronson's consultant, because people serving jail time are not legally allowed to make money.

When asked for an interview by the PA news agency, Mr Bamby said to "refer to the (TalkTV) interview", adding: "I'm off on holiday"

Bronson to stay in prison

Parole Board rules notorious prisoner, who has spent most of the past 48 years behind bars, should not be released

Charles Bronson, one of the UK's longest-serving prisoners, will remain behind bars after being denied release by the Parole Board.

The decision comes as Bronson, who changed his surname to Salvador in 2014, took part in one of the country's first public parole hearings earlier this month. As well as being denied parole, Bronson was also unsuccessful in his request to be transferred to an open prison.

'not satisfied'

In a document detailing the decision published on Thursday, the Parole Board said: "After considering the circumstances of his offending, the progress that Mr Salvador has made while in custody and the evidence presented at the hearings, the panel was not satisfied that Mr Salvador was suitable for release. Nor did the panel recommend to the secretary of state that he should be transferred to an open prison."

The document added that despite the fact that Salvador has spent most of the past 48 years in custody and that he had showed some "evidence of improved self-control and better emotional management", ultimately the panel concluded that they were not confident that he would not be violent when released.

The panel concluded that they "could not be satisfied that Mr Salvador has the skills to manage his risk of future violence until he has been extensively tested outside of his current highly restricted environment".

Bronson has been

imprisoned because of multiple thefts, firearms and violent offences, which included taking 11 people hostage during nine separate incidents. Now 70, he was originally jailed on armed robbery charges in 1974.

Bronson was then handed a discretionary life sentence with a minimum term of four years in 2000, for taking a prison teacher at HMP Hull hostage for 44 hours. Since then, the Parole Board has repeatedly refused to direct his release.

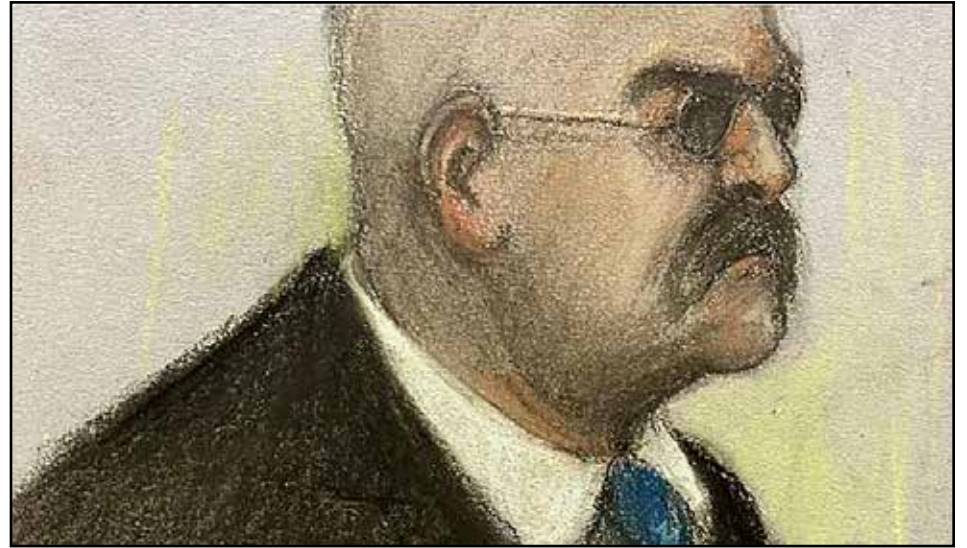
Three parole judges considered his case during a hearing at HMP Woodhill in Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, while members of the press and public watched part of the proceedings on a live stream from the Royal Courts of Justice in central London.

mass brawls

Bronson – whose real name is Michael Peterson and who has previously been diagnosed with antisocial personality disorder – told parole judges he loved a "rumble" and enjoyed mass brawls in prison, but insisted he was now a reformed prisoner, had found solace in art and was a man of peace. He then went on to compare his experience in front of the Parole Board to being on the BBC programme *The Apprentice*.

His remarkable story spawned a movie about his life, starring Tom Hardy, released in 2008.

A psychologist told the panel Bronson had post-traumatic stress disorder after facing some "brutal and unacceptable" treatment behind bars. He has been held in



Bronson has previously been diagnosed with antisocial personality disorder

solitary confinement for much of his time in jail. During the hearing he was described as holding "anti-authoritarian views" and being suspicious of the motives of others, as well as having a romanticized view of violent incidents in the past. None of the prison and probation officials who gave evidence at the parole hearing said he was ready to be released. Bronson is the second inmate in UK legal history to have his case heard in public after rules were changed last year in an attempt to remove the secrecy around the process.

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News from Britain

Notorious drug dealer guilty of Olivia murder

■ Killer had just wounded a rival dealer, who ran towards open door of the innocent victim before the fatal shot

A man has been found guilty of murdering nine-year-old Olivia Pratt-Korbel, who was fatally shot in her home in Liverpool.

Thomas Cashman, 34, killed Olivia and injured her mother Cheryl Korbel as he chased a fellow drug dealer into their home on the evening of 22 August.

There were gasps and tears in court as he was convicted, with Ms Korbel later saying she felt "ecstatic".

Merseyside Police said Cashman was "not worthy of walking the streets".

Cashman, who was also found guilty of wounding Ms Korbel, the attempted murder of Joseph Nee and possession of firearms with intent to endanger life, will be sentenced on Monday.

The jury of 10 men and two women at Manchester Crown Court took nine hours and three minutes to reach their unanimous

verdicts.

Ms Korbel, 46, wearing a pink cardigan and holding a teddy bear, sat with her children Chloe and Ryan in the court as the verdicts were read out.

Cashman wiped away tears in the dock and turned to his family in the public gallery behind, shaking his head.

family feud

One of his relatives could be heard saying "appeal it" and they left the courtroom shouting and swearing.

During the trial, the jury heard 36-year-old Nee, who has a number of previous convictions, was the intended target of the attack.

Cashman, who made up to £5,000 per week dealing cannabis in Liverpool, had been lying in wait for his fellow drug dealer at about 22:00 BST, the jury was told.

He shot at Nee in the street and wounded him

but his gun jammed as he tried to finish the job.

Nee fled for his life - heading towards the light of an open door - the home of Ms Korbel, who had heard the commotion.

But, as she tried to close the door to keep the strangers out, Cashman shot again.

The bullet went through the door, through her hand, and fatally hit Olivia in the chest.

Cashman then fled the scene, running across back gardens.

The court heard Nee and his family "had their enemies" and it was not the first time he had been targeted in a shooting.

Nee had been shot at on 8 August, two weeks before the shooting in which Olivia was killed.

During a previous hearing, which could not be reported until the conclusion of this trial, the court was told the shootings came after a feud between two families.



VICTIM: Olivia Pratt-Korbel was fatally shot at her Liverpool home



Cashman was convicted following a trial, which lasted more than three weeks

There had been a "background of hostility" between Nee's family and another, the court heard.

The same self-loading pistol used by Cashman to kill Olivia had been fired at Nee in the earlier

incident, police said.

The defence sought to elicit further material supporting a feud between the two families, including a fight in prison involving two of them and an alleged "straightener"

(a prearranged fight to resolve a dispute) in a pub.

There was insufficient evidence Cashman was involved in the shooting on 8 August but he had not been eliminated by police, the court heard.

Police pay tribute to 'incredible bravery' of vital witness

"Ruthless killer" Thomas Cashman was convicted of murdering nine-year-old Olivia Pratt-Korbel in large part because of his "petrified" former partner's "incredible bravery" in coming forward, police said.

The 34-year-old fatally shot Olivia and injured her mother Cheryl Korbel at their Liverpool home during a botched "execution" of a convicted drug dealer following a chase on 22 August.

Cashman was widely feared in the Dovecot area of the city, where he made up to £5,000 per week as a "high level" cannabis dealer, using intimidation

and violence to ensure payment.

Fear of reprisals meant police and prosecutors were concerned they would struggle to ever bring Olivia's masked killer to justice.

But the crucial breakthrough came when a woman, who Cashman went to on the night of the murder, approached the police two days later.

The woman, who cannot be named for legal reasons, had previously had a brief relationship with the killer.

She told detectives she was "petrified" of Cashman, but "this is a nine-year-old child - I

want her family to get justice".

The key witness said she was still "terrified" of him as she was giving evidence at his Manchester Crown Court trial.

"When there's a little girl involved, there's no form of grassing in my world," she told the jury.

The man who led the murder hunt, Det Supt Mark Baker of Merseyside Police, said her decision to come forward "was a really important moment in the investigation".

Senior prosecutor Maria Corr said Cashman had used two guns while shooting at his intended

target Joseph Nee.

"In the community, people [were] afraid of coming forward - because would their child be next?," she said.

"The privacy and safety of your own home - this ruthless killer didn't care. He shot a little nine-year-old child."

Ms Corrsaid Cashman's actions begged the question: "If someone is like that, would you come forward?"

"Thankfully, we had a witness who had the courage of her convictions and wanted justice and she was very, very, brave."

Ms Corr said that when

she assessed the woman's interview with detectives, she found her words to be "powerful, strong and the bottom line was she was telling the truth".

She explained: "We had all the independent evidence that corroborated her account - the tracksuit bottoms, the [gunshot residue] on those tracksuit bottoms, the T-shirt, the telephone call to her partner who then came, then we saw him [dropping] Thomas Cashman off."

"Then we had that little clip of CCTV of [a man] then taking what she said was the bag with murder clothes in it

to somebody else."

Ms Corr added: "She was telling the truth - and it was at that moment I thought, 'Yes, the officers had done enough for me to make my charging decision.'"

Det Supt Baker agreed the witness had been incredibly courageous, especially given "the levels of fear in the community".

Even though he said officers had obtained 320 pieces of CCTV footage - sometimes only seized following court orders - the senior investigating officer said: "Without witnesses there is no justice."

Now Christie falls foul of the modern rewrite

AGATHA Christie is the latest top author whose work has been rewritten for modern sensitivities.

The crime writer, who died in 1976 aged 85, is the world's best-selling novelist with more than two billion books bought.

But classics, including

the Miss Marple and Poirot series, have been changed by publisher HarperCollins to avoid offending readers.

Original passages have been deleted or edited.

Outdated terms relating to race and ethnicity, such as "oriental", have been

cut. Some descriptions about physical appearances have also been altered.

The changes come after similar treatment by other publishers of books by Charlie And The Chocolate Factory author Roald Dahl

and Ian Fleming, who created the James Bond stories.

In Dame Agatha's 1937 book *Death On The Nile*, references to "Nubian people" have been removed and the word "local" replaces "native". In *A Caribbean Mystery*, published in 1964, a West Indian hotel worker had been described as smiling at Miss Marple, showing "lovely white teeth".

This has been deleted along with an entire passage where a character is unable to see a black woman in bushes at night.

Poirot also no longer speaks of "a Jew, of course" and a "gypsy type" in Dame Agatha's 1920 debut *The Mysterious Affair At Styles*.

HarperCollins have



Christie remains the world's best-selling novelist

been releasing reworked novels since 2020 and more new editions are planned.

Dame Agatha's titles have been translated into over 100 languages.

She wrote 66 novels and 14 short stories over

a 53-year career and many have been adapted for TV, cinema and the stage.

Agatha Christie Limited, which is run by the writer's grandson James Prichard, and

HarperCollins.

Tributes flow for pioneering British drag queen O'Grady

TRIBUTES flowed this week for drag queen pioneer and entertainer Paul O'Grady, who died this week at the age of 67.

O'Grady rose to fame on the comedy circuit as drag queen Lily O'Grady, who he created in the 1970s.

In the 1980s he was cast as trans prostitute Roxanne in ITV police drama *The Bill* and became a presenter on *The Big Breakfast*.

He landed *The Lily Savage Show* on ITV in the 90s and hosted a revival of quiz show *Blankety Blank*.

In 2000 he began to retire Savage and started to present TV as himself - hosting *The Paul O'Grady Show*, *Blind Date* and *For The Love Of Dogs*, to name but a few.

O'Grady's friend, actress Linda Thorson, said the star died in bed next to his husband,



O'GRADY: rose to fame as Lily O'Grady in the 1970s

Andre Portasio.

Speaking on *Good Morning Britain*, Thorson said: "He died in his own bed," she said. "His husband was there, Andre, who has been with for so many years.

"The most divine man, he is only 41, Andre, he will be so bereft of Paul, he worshipped Paul."

She said he had just come back from performing in a new production and that he was "absolutely over the moon".

"He loved the cast, got along with everybody," she said.

"He was very magical and he was an entertainer," she said.

The British Weekly Sudoku By Myles Mellor. #587

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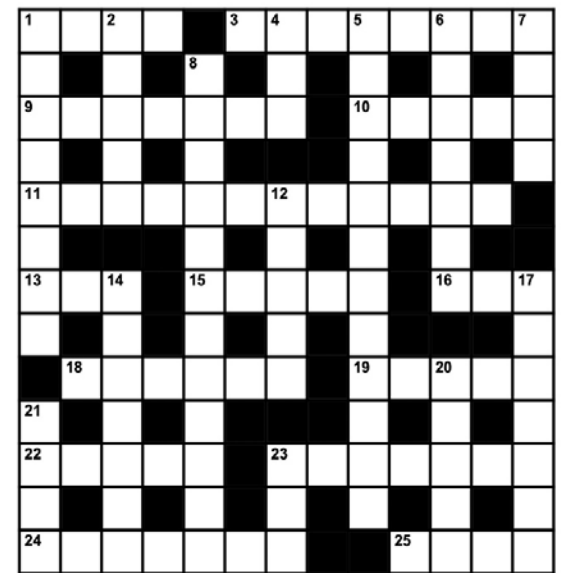
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The British Weekly Crossword By Myles Mellor. #588

Across

- 1 Bringing up the rear (4)
- 3 Hostile (8)
- 9 Singapore inhabitant (7)
- 10 Robe material (5)
- 11 English tourist attraction (12)
- 13 Schedule stat (3)
- 15 Put up (5)
- 16 Get (3)
- 18 Rubbernecked (6)
- 19 Much loved princess (5)
- 22 One who dislikes everything (5)
- 23 Can opener (4,3)
- 24 Good deal (7)
- 25 Chromosome carrier (4)



Down

- 1 Citrus source (4,4)
- 2 French explorer La ___ (5)
- 4 Whoopi Goldberg character (3)
- 5 Afternoon stars (7,5)
- 6 Endure in spite of problems (5,2)
- 7 Deposits (4)
- 8 Preoccupation with one's health (12)
- 12 Stonehenge priest (5)
- 14 Fungi-protector (7)
- 17 Berry bush (7)
- 20 Shaw of the big band era (5)
- 21 River fish (4)
- 23 Sewing basket item (3)

Solution to Puzzle #587

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Coming back to life post-Covid... and what it means for local renters

It's hard to believe that it's been just over three years since the start of a worldwide lockdown due to a global pandemic.

It had such a dramatic impact on all of our lives; destroying families, businesses and even friendships, but at the same time it strengthened and solidified so many others. I am sure I am not alone in thinking about the 'What ifs'?

There was a brief but beautiful period where we got a little glimpse of the entire human population being kind, caring and supportive of each other. I naively

believed that feeling of unity would be one of the things to continue on after we came out of this disaster, but I think it's fair to say that the world is probably more divided than ever. Which makes it quite a confusing time, as a huge percentage of us are looking forward to the future whilst another big chunk of us are still focusing on trying to rebuild our shattered lives. Then there are also several people (like me), who are stuck in the middle. Wanting to move on but also still have a little more repairing to do first...

The City of Los Angeles

also feels it's time for us to pull our socks up and will be making changes to the al fresco program that enabled many restaurants to offer outdoor dining by utilizing the sidewalks. They are also ending the Covid pandemic protections for renters on Friday 31st March. Brits in LA member and local real estate advisor, Frank L'e Sanford referred us to a really informative piece on the impact this will have on both struggling tenants and landlords. He gave us permission to share this with all of you (see below).

If you have any questions or comments or want to subscribe to his newsletter, I am sure he won't mind you dropping him a message.

If you want to get in touch with us email info@britsin.la

Cheers!
Eileen

Hello, hello, hello!

Los Angeles's Covid pandemic protections for renters ends this Friday 31st March.

There's been several other big improvements to renter's rights in the last few months, because we now have a much more progressive Los Angeles City Council. The most comprehensive piece I've found was David Wagner's excellent article in laist.com, some excerpts of which am sharing here.

"Starting April 1, low-income tenants will no longer be able to put off paying rent because of harms brought on by COVID-19.

Reduced household income due to pandemic-related job loss, illness or death will no longer be grounds for deferring rent. If you don't pay your April rent on time, you could be evicted.

Trinidad Ocampo, directing attorney of Housing and Homeless Prevention Programs at Neighborhood Legal Services of L.A. County,



THE OLD (new) NORMAL? at least we have more al fresco dining now....

said once the county's protections end, "There are no more COVID-related hardships to excuse non-payment of rent."

However, new protections are coming online in some parts of L.A. that could briefly stave off an eviction for certain tenants: L.A. County's pandemic-era eviction rules do not apply to tenants across the board. To qualify for the protections for non-payment of rent, tenants must have low-incomes and live within L.A. County boundaries. They also need to be able to show they've been harmed by economic fallout related to COVID-19.

Specifically, tenants must have a household income that does not exceed 80% of L.A. County's "Area Median Income." If your household income exceeds these figures, you do not qualify for the county's COVID-19 eviction protections for non-payment of rent. These figures, for instance, are \$51,000 for a household with one person or \$58,320 for a household with two people.

And L.A. County's pandemic-era eviction rules do not apply to tenants across the board. To qualify for the protections for non-payment of rent,



Frank L'e Sanford

tenants must have low-incomes and live within L.A. County boundaries. They also need to be able to show they've been harmed by economic fallout related to COVID-19."

Being evicted?

"Since time is of the essence, if you're facing an eviction and want to fight it, reach out for legal help right away. Legal aid providers have partnered with the city and county of L.A. to offer tenant assistance through StayHousedLA.org. Residents of L.A. County can visit that website to read more about their rights, submit a request for legal help, or sign up for tenant workshops.

Depending on your housing situation, there may be limits on why your landlord can evict you. These are known as "just cause" eviction protections, meaning your landlord must have a justified reason for evicting you.

You are protected against evictions without a justified cause if you fall into one of the following categories:

- You live in rent-controlled housing in the city of L.A.

- You live in rent-controlled housing in another city with local rent control, including Santa Monica, Inglewood, Culver City, Pasadena, West Hollywood, Bell Gardens, Beverly Hills and Pomona

- You live in rent-controlled housing in unincorporated L.A. County

Behind on rent?

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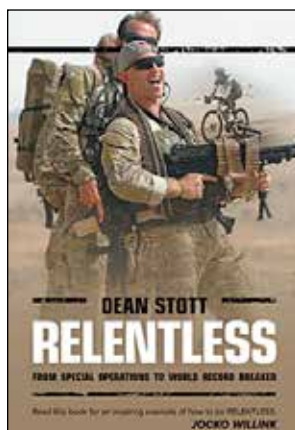
Where one percent better is enough...

Impressive trivia team Connor Roy's One Percent (top) romped to victory at the latest Brits in LA Pub Quiz on Tuesday night. Also celebrating at a busy O'Brien's were The Dinos, whose Disney skills won them the singing performance round. Join quizmaster Sandro Monetti next Tuesday, April 4, for another not-to-be missed night of fun and games and prizes.

BABC host 'Relentless' author Dean Stott

THE British American Business Council will host a very special evening with author, former special forces soldier and record-breaking adventurer Dean Stott, on Wednesday, April 5th from 6-8pm at the Bungalow in Santa Monca. Dean will be sharing details about his daring adventures in the British army and what life is like now outside the special forces (including his upcoming Netflix documentary) more of which can be found in his acclaimed book, Relentless.

The event is free but you must be registered to attend. For more information email info@babcla.org. The Bungalow is located at the Fairmont Miramar hotel, 101 Wilshire Blvd, in Santa Monica.



Stargazing with Annie Shaw

ARIES: At the present time life is harder for you than for most. Fear not, this is the beginning of your new year. Imagine what you can do with plenty of time ahead.

TAURUS: You should be ready to put into process any plans pending since early in the year. You could be considering a short trip, just be sure it's for fun. Happy Birthday!

GEMINI: This has been a busy time of late and will continue for a while. Travel in any form is on your mind just take care of business before you go.

CANCER: Do remember this time is ending slowly and surely whenever you feel down. Don't look at what is not happening, but rather make plans for where you want to put your energy now.

LEO: You can relax now as you have probably done a lot of work in your home area. Just don't forget to keep up with your extended family and friends.

VIRGO: Work on positive thoughts every day and plan for a great summer. Even though you usually plan well ahead life does not always go as planned... so be flexible.

LIBRA: The things that you have put off doing in the past months should now get a second look. Whatever it is get going. Your boss Venus is in your opposite sign Aries and will help.

SCORPIO: Intensity is often a part of how you deal with life. This often works in a positive way for you, but as this month unfolds will see how much you can achieve by surrender; learn to just let it be.

SAGITTARIUS: Like your cousin fire signs, you feel that there are some things that cannot wait. Well, all you can do is plan ahead. Jupiter your boss is in your cousin sign to help you.

CAPRICORN: All the situations that have come up for you in this time should be calming down soon. Jupiter is visiting your money area and that is good news indeed.

AQUARIUS: While the current times are uncertain for some folks you actually are feeling more positive. You know you will get through this, so let go and relax.

PISCES: You are probably feeling somewhat undecided about some things. This can mean there is a better way. Relax and you will figure it out soon.

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Tuesday Results

Table of football results for Tuesday, including Euro 2024 Qualifying (Groups A, D, I), Sky Bet League One, and Sky Bet League Two.

We've turned the page on old guard, insists Welsh boss

Squad still strong despite retirement of Bale, Allen and other veterans, says Page

ROB PAGE says the retirement of Gareth Bale and Wales' old guard has improved training and helped the squad make a flying start to their Euro 2024 qualifying campaign.

Wales built on their opening 1-1 draw in Croatia on Saturday with a 1-0 home win against Latvia in Cardiff on Tuesday.

They are top of Group D despite the retirement of captain Bale, Joe Allen, Chris Gunter and Jonny Williams since the World Cup. Manager Page has replaced them with young guns Nathan Broadhead, Jordan James, Luke Harris and Ollie Cooper.

Broadhead made his debut off the bench to score a late equaliser in Split and Cooper came on against Latvia as Wales put a poor World Cup behind them.

Page said: "Age plays a factor, it did with me



"There is a hunger to get in the squad so we have got that balance right." - Robert Page

when I got to my mid-30s playing.

"I couldn't train at the intensity I wanted to, especially nearer the game, you need rest. We didn't get to bed until 5am on Sunday morning but they were up training at 2pm and it was one of the best sessions from the lads not in the squad.

he has been mainly used as a substitute.

But James' excellent delivery to the back post for Moore to convert revitalised the winger, who then wanted the ball more. "We got the best out of him two, three years ago playing him wider and I am seeing that again now," said Page.

Wales did particularly well despite missing Nottingham Forest star Brennan Johnson, who has scored seven goals and produced two assists for the Premier League new boys this season.

Page was unhappy that Forest played striker Johnson against Newcastle in their last league game on March 17 following a groin injury, which later ruled him out of Wales' squad.

However, Page insisted: "There are no issues with him whatsoever.

"If fit, he will be part of the squad in June."

Hodgson: my Eagles must show no fear

Roy Hodgson has demanded a "lack of fear" from Crystal Palace's players ahead of his first match back with the Premier League strugglers.

The 75-year-old, who was in charge between 2017 and 2021, has returned on a contract until the end of the season after the sacking of Patrick Vieira.

Palace are 12 matches without a win in the top flight and sit just three points above the relegation zone going into Saturday's game at Selhurst Park against Leicester, who are 17th.

Hodgson, the former England manager, said: "I want to see some energy. I want to see some enthusiasm. I want to see that they (players) are aware of our situation, and they are aware the fans need to be boosted as well, and want to see a team that they can believe in, and get behind.

"Any tactical changes or tweaks we want to make, we'll be working on from now until the end of May, but for this first game... I want energy, I want enthusiasm, I want optimism, and I want a lack of fear."

Wednesday Results

Table of football results for Wednesday, including Sky Bet League One, cinch Scottish Lge Two, and Sky Bet League Two.

2024 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING

Table of 2024 European Championship Qualifying results for Groups A through J, listing teams and their scores.

Weekend Football League Scores

Table of weekend football league scores for League One and League Two, listing teams and their scores.

Monday Results

Table of football results for Monday, including European Championship Qualifying Group B, Group E, Group F, and Group G.

Great Scott stuns Spain

Euro 2024 Qualifiers: McTominay double seals memorable night at Hampden

SCOTT McTominay conjured up another double to seal one of the most famous victories in Scotland's history on Wednesday night.

Steve Clarke's men stunned Spain with a show of relentless competitiveness and lethal finishing from their Manchester United midfielder.

To put the win into context, Spain have had one defeat in their past 38 Euro qualifiers and only two defeats in World Cup qualifiers since 2006.

It was the first win against Spain since 1984 when Jock Stein's side won 3-1, including a goal from Kenny Dalglish.

Clarke watched that in the stand with his dad, the day after playing for the Under-21s, and this time he was in the dug-out overseeing a major step

in their Euros qualifying campaign.

It was a raucous night at Hampden Park, with Clarke's side mirroring the passion in the stands and overpowering one of the poorest Spanish sides in recent decades. The Scots signalled their intent from the off and were ahead after just seven minutes.

McTominay was handed a start after his super sub appearance against Cyprus on Saturday, when he scored twice in the last six minutes of play to give the 3-0 win a gloss.

This time he was out of the blocks quickly, squeezing home a deflection from 12 yards.

Tottenham full-back Pedro Porro slipped when trying to usher the ball out for a goal kick and Andy Robertson snapped up

possession crossing first time to his team-mate.

It was also seven minutes into the second half when McTominay got his second of the game and fourth in his last 55 minutes of play.

Before Saturday, he had only scored once for his country in 36 caps.

He had Kieran Tierney to thank. The Arsenal defender nabbed the ball 10 yards in his own half, and put on the burners, racing up the wing past two Spanish markers.

His cross to the six-yard box was only half cleared by David Garcia and McTominay sprinted on to the loose ball and smashed it home. Hampden Park was at its most fierce and Scotland controlled their adrenaline and aggression well in the face of gamesmanship from



JUMPING UP THE TABLE: McTominay's brace put Scotland atop Group A

the visitors.

Spain lack a match winner and had former Newcastle striker Joselu, hardly a big hit while on Tyneside, leading the line on his first start at 32.

Under pressure new boss Luis de la Fuente's plan is to mix up play

more and go direct with wingers getting in crosses for Joselu who hit the bar in the first half.

In first-half injury time Lyndon Dykes raced clear on the Spain goal only to shoot over but it mattered little on a momentous evening.

GROUP A						
	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
SCOTLAND	2	2	0	0	5	6
SPAIN	2	1	0	1	3	3
NORWAY	2	0	1	1	4	1
GEORGIA	1	0	1	0	1	1
CYPRUS	1	0	0	1	3	0

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Southgate hails 'ruthless' Saka

GARETHSOUTHGATE labelled Bukayo Saka "ruthless" after his goal and assist sank Ukraine on an emotional evening at Wembley on Sunday.

Tickets were handed out to refugees from the war-torn country but despite the noise from the away end England continued their perfect start to the Euro 2024 qualifiers.

Saka made it 2-0 with a superb 25-yard strike, and England manager Southgate said: "It is a Optimum level finish. That is the ruthless part Saka has added to his game in the last 18 months or so.

"There were times you weren't sure he was going to finish but now he has that confidence in front of goal.

"When he is through on goal now you expect



SAKA: sublime strike for England against Ukraine

him to score.

"His hunger and his humility are what have got him on the right path and I don't see that changing with the family he has around him.

"But I am not going to start saying where he is in world football at the moment because that would be exactly the

wrong thing to do.

"He is a joy to work with and we should leave it at that."

GROUP C						
	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
ENGLAND	2	2	0	0	4	6
ITALY	2	1	0	1	3	3
N MACEDONIA	1	1	0	0	2	3
UKRAINE	1	0	0	1	2	0
MALTA	2	0	0	2	4	0

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