

# BIG BEN: A RIGHT OLD DING DONG

■ PM steps in after officials threaten to silence famous clock till 2021

■ Health and safety rules 'utterly bonkers' says top Tory

**WESTMINSTER officials were forced into a humiliating climbdown this week over a hugely controversial decision to silence Big Ben for four years.**

Responding to outrage from across the country and the personal intervention of the prime minister, it was announced on Thursday that the decision to silence the famous clock until 2021 to carry out necessary upgrades is now under review.

Theresa May joined a growing chorus of fellow MPs by insisting it was wrong that the famous bongs of Big Ben would not be heard for the next four years.

Mrs May urged John Bercow, the Speaker, to find a way to ensure Big Ben continues to ring out during a £29 million renovation of the Elizabeth Tower.

Under health and safety rules, the 13-ton

bell is being taken out of action to protect the hearing of construction workers on site.

Mrs May said: "Of course we want to ensure people's safety at work but it can't be right for Big Ben to be silent for four years.

**'utterly bonkers'**

"And I hope that the Speaker, as the chairman of the House of Commons commission, will look into this urgently so that we can ensure that we can continue to hear Big Ben through those four years."

Parliamentary authorities reacted to the growing criticism by announcing a review.

In a statement, a House of Commons spokesman said: "When Parliament



**TIME FOR AN UPGRADE:** Health and Safety regulations forbid Big Ben's bell to be rung during repairs

returns, in light of concerns expressed by a number of MPs, the House of Commons Commission will consider the length of time that the bells will fall silent.

"Of course, any discussion will focus on undertaking the work efficiently, protecting the health and safety of those involved, and seeking

to ensure resumption of normal service as soon as is practicable given those requirements."

The Commission rubber-stamped the building work after it was approved by three separate parliamentary bodies in the autumn of 2015.

But it was then disclosed that MPs were

not told that the repair work meant shutting down Big Ben for four years.

MPs only discovered the bell was being silenced until 2021 on Monday morning after the Daily Telegraph broke the story.

It would be the longest period Big Ben has been silenced in its 157-year history and was

scheduled after noon on Monday August 21.

James Gray, a Conservative MP, who had branded the original decision "utterly bonkers", welcomed the u-turn. "I am very, very pleased they are reviewing this and I shall certainly make my views known to them.

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## News from Britain

## Brits get out NOW! Military chief warns UK citizens to flee the entire Korean peninsula

**BRITISH citizens should get out of both South and North Korea immediately, Britain's former Navy boss warned this week.**

The situation is so critical the Government should be advising British nationals in the Korean peninsula to leave if the tensions over Kim Jong Un's nuclear programme continue to ratchet up, Admiral Lord West of Spithead said.

He added there was a "real risk" the current stand off between North Korea and the United States could escalate into an actual conflict, resulting in an exchange of nuclear weapons, with "catastrophic" consequences for the region.

Lord West said advising UK citizens to leave the peninsula and nearby Japan would send a message to the international community that they needed to act to prevent a lurch into all out

war.

"When you start giving certain advice to your nationals people start taking notice and maybe China and others will say 'Goodness me, this is really serious'," he told BBC Radio 4's Broadcasting House.

"I would set out a certain number of parameters, that if in terms of tension if things change, and say 'You should now think about getting out and about other people you should think about not going there'."

### 'extremely worrying'

The current Foreign Office travel advice for both South and North Korea notes that tensions "remain high" following the North's latest nuclear and missile tests but does not advise Britons to leave. Lord West, however, said he feared chances of a conflict breaking out in the region were now higher than at any time since the

end of the Korean War in 1952.

"It is extremely worrying. I think that there is a real risk - by miscalculation, probably, more than anything else - of something happening that no one intends," he said.

"The results would be catastrophic. It would be hundreds of thousands if not millions, dying and, yes, we would be pulled into finally.

"I don't think our nation would be liable to a nuclear attack. I think any nuclear weapons would be limited to two or three, but that is enough to cause absolute untold damage because nuclear weapons should not be warfighting weapons. They are there, I believe, to make war unthinkable."

The latest rise in tensions follow the disclosure that US intelligence analysts had concluded the North Koreans had developed a nuclear warhead small enough to be fitted on a ballistic missile that could be used to attack the US mainland. Although tensions seemed to ease towards the end of the week, citizens of the American territory of Guam are on high alert following a threat by Kim Jong Un to target the island.

## It wasn't all bad...

A cloakroom attendant at a London concert hall had to stand in for a soprano at the last minute – and won rave reviews. Milly Forrest, 23, who is about to start a master's in singing, works part-time at the Wigmore Hall, manning the cloakroom and checking tickets. Last month, the venue asked her to stand in when singer Ruby Hughes fell ill. Despite having just 36 hours to practise her solo by Purcell, Forrest wowed the audience: The Guardian described her as "breathtaking".



STRAINED RELATIONS: The PM has been urged to rescind her offer of a State Visit to Britain for President Trump following his latest controversy

## May urges Trump to condemn the far right

**THERESA May has urged Donald Trump to wholeheartedly condemn fascist groups behind recent violent clashes in the United States.**

The Prime Minister's intervention came as MPs called for Mr Trump's state visit to Britain to be scrapped. On Tuesday Mrs May said: "As I made clear at the weekend following the horrendous scenes that we saw in Charlottesville, I absolutely abhor the racism, the hatred and the violence that we have seen portrayed by these groups.

"The United Kingdom has taken action ban far-Right groups here, we have proscribed certain far-Right groups here in the United Kingdom.

"And there is no equivalence."

The Prime Minister spoke out after the US President failed to condemn far-Right demonstrators outright for violence in Charlottesville, Virginia, in which a woman was killed. Mr Trump claimed "there is blame on all sides" – equating the actions of far-Right

demonstrators with those protesting against them. Other senior Tories criticised Mr Trump, whose comments have also been questioned by senior Republicans and Democrats in the US.

Communities Secretary Sajid Javid tweeted: "Neo-Nazis: bad, anti-Nazis: good, I learned that as a child. It was pretty obvious."

### 'for shame'

Scottish Conservatives leader Ruth Davidson posted: "The President of the United States has just turned his face to the world to defend Nazis, fascists and racists. For shame."

Violence erupted in Charlottesville on Saturday after a group of far-Right extremists gathered to protest against a decision to remove a statue of a Confederate general. Heather Heyer, 32, later died when a car was driven into crowds as antifascist demonstrators clashed with the white supremacists. Mr Trump faced heavy criticism in the immediate wake of the unrest after he said there was blame on

"many sides". He took two days to condemn the actions of the far-Right groups in particular, eventually branding the Ku Klux Klan, neo-Nazis and white supremacists "repugnant to everything that we hold dear as Americans", in a statement on Monday. However, during a turbulent press conference at his Manhattan residence Trump Tower on Tuesday, the president appeared to have reverted to his previous position. He acknowledged there were "some very bad people" among the statue protesters, but added: "You also had people that were very fine people, on both sides."

Several Labour MPs and Liberal Democrat leader Sir Vince Cable urged Mrs May to tear up her offer to Mr Trump of a state visit to Britain. Sir Vince said: "Donald Trump has shown he is unable to detach himself from the extreme-Right and racial supremacists. It would be completely wrong to have this man visit the UK on a state visit."



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# Navy's £3bn flagship sails into her spiritual home

■ Theresa May hails 65,000-tonne aircraft carrier, saying it represents UK's determination to remain a fully engaged global power

Shortly after sunrise on Tuesday, the colossal HMS Queen Elizabeth aircraft carrier made her way dead slow alongside the clanking Outer Spit Buoy that sways at the entrance to Portsmouth Harbour.

As the Royal Navy's largest and most powerful warship began her final approach to berth for the first time at her military base, Hawk jets and Wildcat and Merlin helicopters gave a thunderous ceremonial fly past.

The UK's new £3bn aircraft carrier had docked in her home port, and for the Prime Minister, the arrival of the "mighty" £3 billion investment in "21st Century engineering" was proof Britain remained a "great global maritime nation".

The 65,000-tonne ship has been undergoing sea trials since setting sail from Rosyth dockyard in Fife, where it was built, in June.

The 900ft long carrier cannot currently deploy planes but flying trials are due to begin next year.

Addressing crew members and contractors on the flight deck, Prime Minister Theresa May said the carrier was a "true testament to British ship building and design".

"Britain truly has the best sailors, marines and officers in the world. And I believe you deserve the very best equipment and that it what we have with HMS Queen Elizabeth," she said.

"This ship is the symbol of the United Kingdom as a great global maritime nation. Clearly she is a stunning piece of 21st Century engineering."

Spectators who gathered on the shoreline to watch the ship's arrival saw flypasts of Royal

Navy helicopters, the first featuring a Sea King, two MK2 Merlins and two MK3 Merlins which were then joined by two Hawk jets.

## exclusion zone

A flotilla of craft followed the behemoth aircraft carrier as she sailed into the Solent before heading into Portsmouth, where, at its narrowest point, there was less than 66ft clearance on each side.

An 820ft exclusion zone was enforced by armed police in small boats and a no-fly zone was put in place to prevent the flying of drones around the harbour.

The ship's available company stood at the edge of the vessel, with officers and family members also lining the jetty to welcome the ship.

Louise Bond, 30, from Fareham, whose husband, Petty Officer Greg Bond, 33, is serving on board, said: "It's my first homecoming, it's brilliant, I was up at 2.30am, first in line."

"It's amazing, I wouldn't miss it for the world."

Road closures were put in place in Old Portsmouth, Southsea seafront and parts of the city centre.

Isle of Wight, Gosport and cross-channel ferry services also altered timetables.

Preparations for the arrival of the future flagship of the fleet, and its 700 crew, saw more than 20,000 items ranging from a human skull to sea mines dredged up from Portsmouth Harbour.

The Ministry of Defence said specialist dredging vessels had removed 3.2 million cubic metres of sediment - the equivalent to 1,280 Olympic



**SOME WAY TO GO:** HMS Queen Elizabeth will not be fully operational until 2023

swimming pools - during the dredging operation carried out to deepen the harbour mouth to enable the Queen Elizabeth to reach Portsmouth naval base.

## 'the right signals'

Speaking on board before the journey in to Portsmouth, Capt Jerry Kyd said he felt a "huge amount of pride" ahead of the vessel berthing in its home port.

"It sends the right signals to our allies and indeed potentially to our enemies that we mean business."

"The armed forces are fundamentally an insurance policy for the country and you can't just, at the flick of a switch, decide that you need these capabilities."

The ship has been undergoing sea trials off the Scottish coast and sailed with the USS George HW Bush and her carrier strike group, during Exercise Saxon Warrior earlier this month.

F-35B Lightning fighter jets are due to make their first trial flights from the carrier's deck next year with 120 aircrew currently training in the US.

HMS Queen Elizabeth is still far from being a fully functioning aircraft carrier. But she now looks and feels less of a giant construction project and more like a warship. For

the last seven weeks she's been undergoing sea trials.

They've tested everything from the propulsion system to the sewage processing plant. The ship's five galleys have been churning out more than 3,000 meals a day for the 700 crew and additional contractors on board.

HMS Queen Elizabeth's

first deployment is still a long way off. Though helicopters have been landing on her massive deck - the size of three football pitches - it will be another year before the new F35s will begin flight trials. And HMS Queen Elizabeth won't be fully operational until 2023.

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News from Britain

# Ryanair appeals for booze limits as flight arrests soar

Discount airline slams airports for 'unlimited sale' of alcohol

**RYANAIR is demanding a crackdown on alcohol sales at British airports after a huge jump in the number of passengers arrested for drunken behaviour last year.**

Europe's biggest short-haul airline has already banned customers from drinking duty free alcohol on some flights after arrests rose by 50 per cent in the year to February 2017. Those flying from Glasgow, Prestwick and Manchester to Alicante and Ibiza cannot take booze on board. Now Ryanair is urging airports to limit the number of drinks per boarding pass to a maximum of two – and ban the sale of alcohol before 10am.

The controversial discount airline has accused airports of profiting from allowing limitless drinking in

terminals. Kenny Jacobs, the airline's marketing director, said: "It's completely unfair that airports can profit from the unlimited sale of alcohol to passengers and leave the airlines to deal with the safety consequences.

"This is a particular problem during flight delays when airports apply no limit to the sale of alcohol in airside bars and restaurants.

## 'barmaids in the sky'

"It's an issue which the airports must now address and we are calling for significant changes to prohibit the sale of alcohol at airports, particularly with early morning flights and when flights are delayed."

The call comes after figures obtained by BBC Panorama from 18 out

of 20 police forces with a major airport on their patch revealed a surge in arrests for drunken behaviour on flights or at British airports. There was a total of 387 in the year to February 2017, up from 255 in the period from February 2015 to 2016, according to the statistics.

A code of conduct was introduced in 2016 in an attempt to combat antisocial behaviour by passengers, after the Civil Aviation Authority reported a 600 per cent increase in disruptive passenger incidents in the UK between 2012 and 2016, mostly alcohol-related. But the regulations appear to have had little effect. Ally Murphy, a former Virgin Airlines cabin crew manager, said: "People just see us as barmaids in



**PIE-EYED:** new figures reveal a surge in arrests for drunken behaviour on flights or at British airports

the sky."

Another cabin crew member, who was unnamed in the programme, said airline workers had found "countless" litre bottles of vodka and they felt that Alicante, Ibiza and Palma were among the worst routes.

Alexandra Wilms, of the Balearic Ministry of Tourism, called for

"high fines" to deal with the problem. "These kinds of people don't understand any other thing than really getting punished by paying a lot of money," she said.

Airport Operators' Association chief executive Karen Dee rejected suggestions airports are irresponsibly selling alcohol. Ms Dee said: "The sale of alcohol

per se is not a problem. It's the misuse of it and drinking to excess and then behaving badly."

The CAA air navigation order makes it an offence to board an aircraft while drunk. In its draft aviation strategy published last month, the Government said it would continue to work with the industry to resolve the problem.

# Red faces all round as drone lands on Queen

**NAVAL chiefs' pride over the arrival of the brand-spanking-new HMS Queen Elizabeth turned to embarrassment on Thursday as it emerged that an amateur enthusiast managed to land a £300 drone on the deck of the mighty carrier - without anyone raising the alarm.**

According to local media reports in Scotland, the drone user managed to fly the drone past armed patrol boats before landing on the deck of the aircraft carrier last month before it left for sea trials.

The pilot, who is yet to be named, told reporters this week that he had been "amazed" how easy it had been to carry out the stunt.

"I was amazed that I was able to land on the aircraft carrier for two

reasons, the first being that there was no one about to prevent it from landing although there were security police around in small boats who were waving at the drone," he said.

"The second reason was more technical. I received a high wind warning as I was videoing up and down the flight deck and my control system advised me to land.

He added that when attempted to discuss his concerns about security with crew members, he returned to find a "ghost ship".

"There was absolutely no-one around when I landed, it was like a ghost ship," he continued.

"After I posted the picture taken from the flight deck I got some flak from other drone

users who were saying 'You are going to make a lot of people unhappy'. I thought the only law I had broken was that I flew over a vessel I didn't have control over.

"I was a bit concerned so I drove round to Invergordon and spoke to the port security and explained that I wanted to speak to someone from the ship such as the duty watch or the captain about what I had done.

"I was only able to speak to some heavily armed police, I think from the MoD, and they said there was no-one available on the carrier as they were at dinner ashore."

"No-one seemed too concerned, but the officer I spoke to said he would pass it up the chain of command. I was



**ALL AT SEA:** "there was no one about to prevent it from landing," said the drone user, who told reporter he was 'amazed' how easy the stunt had been

fascinated by the Queen Elizabeth and wanted to have a crack at filming her. I wasn't out to get anyone in trouble. What's done is done, and I can't undo the images I shot.

"I think if the MoD were in any way bothered by this then these videos and stills would not have been allowed to see the light of day."

Whilst the anonymous drone pilot appeared relaxed about his exploits,

the disclosure has prompted concern among military and security experts.

Speaking to The Daily Mail, Lord West, a former First Sea Lord, said it was worrying because terrorist groups such as Islamic State had already used drones in the Middle East to launch bombs.

He said: "Daesh [Islamic State] are already using drones to deliver bombs in Syria, so I think

it is something we need to take very seriously.

"The fact drones can reach it is a worry. The Queen Elizabeth is doing some work with helicopters and if a drone hits a helicopter that could be very dangerous.

"We need to have harsher punishments if you fly a drone into a carrier's air space. There's a real risk from drones and [it's] something we need to take very seriously."

**Big Ben:**

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They must find a way of keeping the bongos going," said Mr Gray, MP for North Wiltshire.

Tom Brake, a Liberal Democrat MP who sits on the Commission, contacted Ian Ailles, House of Commons director general, calling for the review of the plans to be carried out.

Mr Brake said: "I have asked whether someone can do some work, working out what the costings and the practicality of ringing them more frequently would be.

"It may be perhaps practical and it may be financially viable to ring them more frequently than is currently being proposed."

Mr Brake said Mr Ailles had "expressed a willingness" to find a workable solution.

It is not clear what solutions can be found with construction contracts already in place to carry out the work.

Some MPs have called for the bells to be rung when workers are off site. But authorities have insisted that is not a simple operation. The House of Commons spokesman said that "starting and stopping Big Ben is a complex and lengthy process". The spokesman said the striking hammer is locked in place during the renovation of the tower and that to unlock it and strike the bell takes "around half a day to complete".

Big Ben will be rung on special occasions such as new year's Eve and remembrance Sunday and authorities will now look at increasing the frequency of those special events.

# LICENSE RENEWED: Daniel Craig finally confirms he WILL play James Bond again

■ Actor tells Stephen Colbert on The Late Show he 'couldn't be happier' to resume 007 role despite previous comments

**He once said he would rather take his own life than reprise his role as 007.**

But Daniel Craig may now be regretting his words, as he has confirmed he will, for one final time, play James Bond.

Speaking on The Late Show with Stephen Colbert on Tuesday night, the actor finally put an end to the long-running saga of will he/won't he play the character for a fifth time.

"I have been quite cagey about it. I have been doing interviews all day and people have been asking me and I think I've been rather coy. But kind of felt like if I was going to speak the truth I should speak truth to you."

**"I'm over it"**

Asked by Colbert directly whether he could deliver some "good news" about returning as Bond, Craig finally replied: "Yes."

He revealed he had known for a "couple of months", adding: "We've been discussing it, we've just been trying to figure things out. I always wanted to, I needed a break."

However, he was keen to reiterate it would indeed be his last outing as the lothario spy. "I think this is it. I just want to go out on a high note and I can't wait," he said.

It is not surprising news, as his return was first reported in July. However, Craig's renewed enthusiasm for

the role marks a change of mind after comments he made in 2015, following the release of Spectre.

The film garnered rave reviews but Craig, clearly frustrated with the promotional commitments that accompanied playing Bond, said he would rather "slit my wrists" than reprise the role.

"I'm over it at the moment. We're done. All I want to do is move on," he said, adding: "If I did another Bond movie, it would only be for the money."

But explaining his heated comments, Craig told Colbert that they had been made in the moment, two days after Spectre had finished shooting when he was exhausted. "Instead of saying something with style and grace, I said something really stupid," he said.

It is the source of much speculation of how much the film studios will have promised Craig to tempt him back. He was rumoured to have been paid \$65m (£48.66m) for Spectre, and in 2016 it was reported he had been offered \$150m to shoot two more Bond films, almost back to back.

**speculation**

Neither – should they both happen – will be directed by Sam Mendes, who, despite the critical and commercial success of Spectre and its predecessor, Skyfall, has ruled himself out of returning. Directors rumoured to be in the running include Christopher Nolan.

Thanks to Craig's reticence to return to the franchise, speculation over who could replace



**BACK IN BONDAGE:** "I just want to go out on a high note and I can't wait," the actor said on Tuesday night



**GOLDEN HANDCUFFS:** Craig was reportedly offered \$150m to make two more Bond films, almost back to back

him has raged for two years, with figures such as Idris Elba, Tom Hardy, Tom Hiddleston and Aidan Turner and even Gillian Anderson all put forward as suggestions. Elba said he was already weary of the attention that the speculation had attracted. "I'm probably the most famous Bond actor in the world, and I've not even played the role," he said in 2015. "Enough is enough. I can't talk about it any more."

Craig succeeded Pierce Brosnan as Bond and made his debut in Casino Royale in 2006. While initially seen as a divisive choice, he was soon praised for his darker, more brooding take on the martini-sipping spy, which proved a massive

hit at the box office, with the Observer film critic Mark Kermode describing him as the "best screen Bond to date".

Skyfall was one of the highest grossing films of all time when it was released in 2012, and was the first Bond film to gross over \$1bn at the box office. 2015's Spectre, which was described by the Guardian's Peter Bradshaw as "terrifically exciting, spectacular, almost operatically delirious 007 adventure" cost \$245m to make – the most expensive Bond film to date – but was also box office gold, taking in \$880m worldwide.

Craig has not been solely negative about the impact playing Bond has had on his life, and said

he did not worry about being typecast because the role had "changed my working life in an incredible way".

He added: "There are more opportunities. I could do many, many things. But it takes an awful amount of time. If anything, the restriction is that it is incredibly time-consuming. That's the restriction."

The producers are also rumoured to be determined to bring back Adele to record the theme tune, after her song written for Skyfall became the first 007 theme to win a Grammy and a Golden Globe award.

The next Bond film, the 25th in the series, is scheduled for release in November 2019.

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Local News

# Big fight fever goes through the roof at Santa Monica pub

Local Irishman erects life-size painting of UFC star McGregor

A SANTA MONICA pub has taken Conor McGregor fight fever to new heights – by installing a life size painting of the UFC superstar on its ROOF.

The giant canvas of the Dublin warrior towers above drinkers at Sonny McLean’s bar on Wilshire Boulevard.

The billion-dollar fight of the century between UFC king McGregor, 29, and undefeated Floyd Mayweather, 40, takes place at the T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas on August 26.

And as thousands of McGregor’s Green Army prepare to make the trip to Sin City, locals at Sonny McLean’s are also gearing up for the big fight.

Artist Carl Roberts, 48, took nearly a week

to create the artwork using acrylic paint and hopes to give it to the Notorious after the bout.

He said: “I’ve been painting boxers for years and many legends from the sport like Manny Pacquiao, Amir Khan and Canelo Alvarez all have the paintings I’ve done for them.

“Manny has about 12 of them and I’m hoping I can give this one to Conor to keep when it’s all over.

“I’ve been a boxing freak since I was a kid and own 40,000 fights on video and DVD.

“Conor’s a brilliant ambassador for the sport of fighting. He’s a showman of the highest caliber and I hope he can beat the odds and surprise Floyd. The

painting is a tribute to what he’s achieved.”

But Beverly Hills bar manager Carl – who moved to the US from Monkstown, Dublin in 1991–is staying cautious when evaluating the UFC star’s chances.

He said: “If Pacquiao, Hatton and Mosely struggled to hit Floyd then he’ll have his work cut out for him – but I’m sure he’s got a few surprises up his sleeves.

“I think we’ll know in the first clench what McGregor’s strategy will be. He could squeeze him in a Roman Greco style hold and I imagine he’ll also be hopping all over the place.

“My money’s on Conor because of the odds but my head is with Floyd because



**FIGHT FAN:** Carl Roberts (left, with Sonny McLean’s owner Grant Woods) describes McGregor as “a showman of the highest caliber”

of everything he’s achieved.”

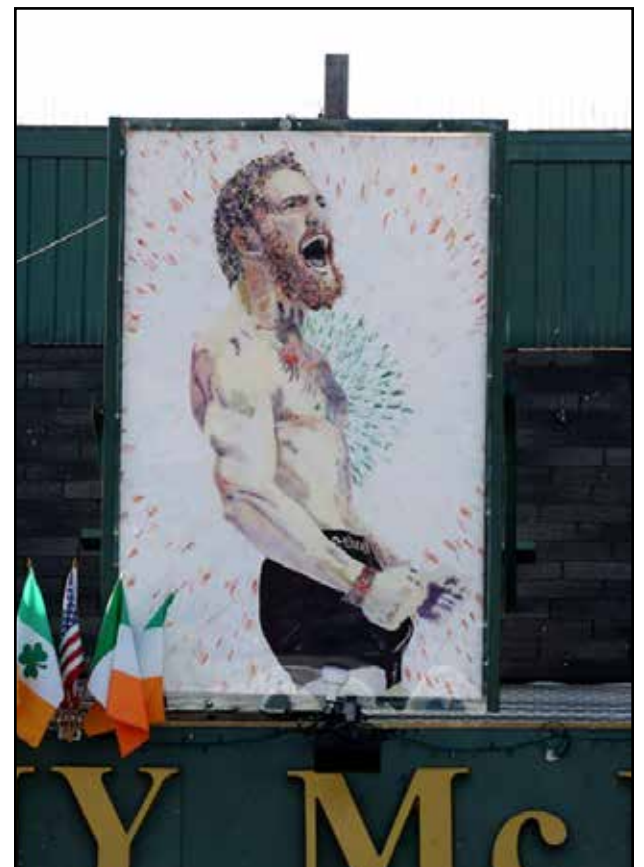
Sonny McLean’s landlord Grant Woods, who is originally from New Zealand, has owned the bar since 2009 and is forking out thousands to show the fight to his patrons.

He said: “We’ll be at full capacity of 200 and are expecting a great night in here.

“All Conor’s previous fights have attracted a big following but this is something else in terms of excitement.

“When Carl showed me the painting I thought it was great and he asked if I wanted to put it on the roof.

“It’s attracted a lot of attention from the locals and from people passing by who drop into say how good it looks.

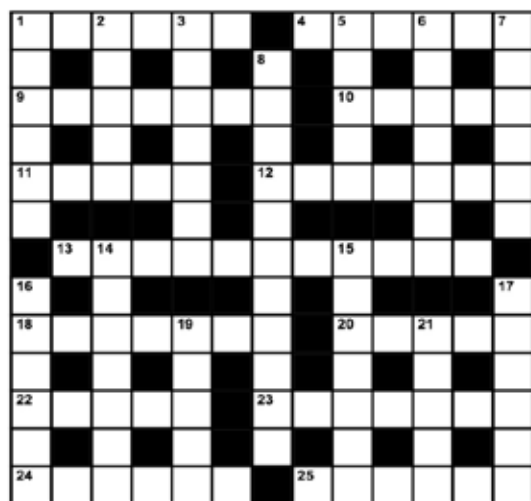


“I just hope the fight gets good value for goes on longer than money.” (Courtesy: The Mega Agency) expected so everyone

## The British Weekly Crossword by Myles Mellor. #286

Across

- 1 Peels (6)
- 4 Bit of Halloween decor (6)
- 9 Suitcases (7)
- 10 Try (5)
- 11 Among (5)
- 12 Messengers (7)
- 13 Give-and-takes (11)
- 18 Dropped a line (7)
- 20 Underwater worker (5)
- 22 Require (5)
- 23 Gave power to (7)
- 24 Felt (6)
- 25 Look (6)



Down

- 1 Like some oaths or vows (6)
- 2 Inflexible (5)
- 3 Credit card, in slang (7)
- 5 Repeatedly (5)
- 6 John Wayne movie (7)
- 7 Chicken order (6)
- 8 Defended, e.g. (11)
- 14 Ape (7)
- 15 Cricketing opponents (7)
- 16 Candy and the like (6)
- 17 Give recognition (6)
- 19 Name (5)
- 21 Relative worth (5)

Solution to Puzzle #285



**SHOWDOWN:** Mayweather and McGregor will fight on Saturday



# Stargazing with Annie Shaw

**ARIES:** No matter what you say or think currently your life will be status quo for a couple of weeks ahead. Important communication is best kept to the basic facts as Mercury slows down and nothing much will be achieved. Uranus visiting you can make you over-anxious.

**TAURUS:** Health matters are prominent in your life and should be dealt with promptly this week. Money is coming in (more than you expect) by the end of the month. In the meantime keep a positive attitude to life in general and the next month will bring a big improvement.

**GEMINI:** Your boss planet Mercury is slowing down for a three week rest period. This is a perfect opportunity for you to mend some fences that may be needed in the future. Better news on the financial front; you are in a better place and will receive the outcome you have been looking for.

**CANCER:** Venus is visiting you and will bring a more mystical vibe in most areas of your life. If you feel over-emotional take time to be in nature or to take a break away. Next week starts a better overall cycle of well-being.

**LEO:** Health matters (yours or others close to you) are in the spotlight. The good news is with the coming eclipse in your sign you can sort this out now. This is the time for you to witness how much you are loved and cared for by others in your life, just enjoy the limelight!

**VIRGO:** Career and areas pertaining to work are highlighted when your boss Mercury is slowing down and moving backwards. This merely means that you have an opportunity to lighten your workload or at least make required timely changes. Your energy level may be less than normal - just relax a little.

**LIBRA:** You will be dealing with tedious details of some kind or another while Mercury is retrograde. Be careful with others who could be giving out mixed messages around you, especially in work areas. Look to what you want to achieve by the end of summer.

**SCORPIO:** Mercury is now going backwards and so your thoughts turn to financial and relationship matters. Be positive in thought and deed, even though all may seem gloomy currently. You should know that not only can you turn things around, they are already moving forward.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Your boss Jupiter is moving merrily in Libra and he will be good for you as he watches over you. This can mean a lot of positive energy coming into your life in the areas that you are prepared to work on. Take a short trip and enjoy the time away.

**CAPRICORN:** The Sun moving into your cousin sign of Virgo will assist you to get the job done this next week or so. Then late next month there will be a great opportunity to begin a positive health program that can make a big difference overall in life.

**AQUARIUS:** You are probably feeling like a break away so even if you cannot get out of town take time out. Avoid getting involved in any drama in the family or with friends. You can however be a neutral go between to the others involved.

**PISCES:** Neptune your boss is assisting you all the way through the next few weeks. The planets are also causing some confusion in relationship issues that are simmering under the surface. Do not engage in any arguments as they can simmer for a long time ahead.

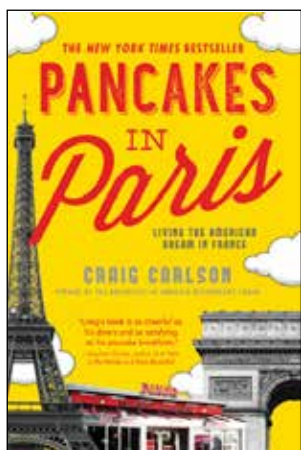


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## Pancakes in Paris: tasty summer read

Exclusive interview: author and restaurateur Craig Carlson discusses his new book about opening an American restaurant in Paris



"If you'd known me as a kid, Paris would probably be the last place you'd think I'd end up," says *Pancakes in Paris* author Craig Carlson. "As a kid, France wasn't even on our radar. But all that changed when I took my first foreign language class in seventh grade. My dad had wanted me to take Spanish because we lived in the rough part of town, next door to a Puerto Rican family, and he wanted

to know what they were saying about him. But in a funny little twist, when I told my teacher I wanted to take Spanish, two of the popular kids in class, Ann and Dan, overheard and said to me, 'Don't take Spanish; we're taking Spanish.' Even though I knew I wasn't the most popular kid in class, their remark still stung. But I shrugged it off, turned to my teacher and said, 'Ok. French then.' That serendipitous moment changed my life forever."

*Pancakes in Paris* is the story of ups and downs in Craig's quest to open the first American-style restaurant in Paris. Carlson came from a working-class town in Connecticut and had never worked in a restaurant. In Paris he found a new home. But he missed the big hearty breakfasts he grew up with in America. How about

opening a restaurant?

In the book Carlson tells about the challenges of raising money, finding the perfect location, working within the rigid rules and regulations in Paris, and sourcing American ingredients for use at what becomes the restaurant Breakfast in America. While following his dream he also finds love. Founded in 2003, Breakfast in America becomes a hot tourist spot that's also frequented by locals.

I'd been wanting to visit Breakfast in America for a few years, and on Christmas Day in 2016 while I was in Paris, I ate breakfast there. Craig was charming, the food scrumptious. Carlson says his favorite breakfast at his restaurant is the CCs Big Mess, a breakfast scramble with nearly everything in it, served with a short stack

of blueberry and white chocolate chip pancakes.

In organizing the book, Carlson thought about the many questions that diners at his restaurant asked him. How did he come up with the idea of opening the first American diner in Paris? Had he ever had his own business before? Did he already speak French? Had he worked in a restaurant before? Did he have to adapt the menu for French tastes? Was it hard finding the right ingredients? Did he encounter any cultural problems? Any anti-Americanism?

"The more I pondered these questions, the more I realized that the journey I had taken was quite unique," says Carlson. "And, that it might inspire other people to pursue their own crazy dreams. However, writing the book turned out to be a

much bigger challenge than I expected."

In addition to being on several bestseller lists, *Pancakes in Paris* has been nominated by Expatriate Magazine for "Best Book in Paris 2017. The book has been optioned by a Hollywood production company.

Carlson is working on three projects now. He's adapting his book into a TV series, writing his next book, and writing episodes of the 3D animated children's show *Alvin and the Chipmunks*. The series is co-produced in France, where half the episodes are written. All in English. A woman who lives in Paris read his book and loved it so much she introduced Carlson to the head writer of the show in France. So far, Carlson has written three episodes.

Carlson spends most of his time in Paris with



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his diners and his French husband. They also own a little bungalow in northeast Los Angeles near Highland Park.

Carlson is originally from the small agricultural mill town of Enfield, Connecticut.

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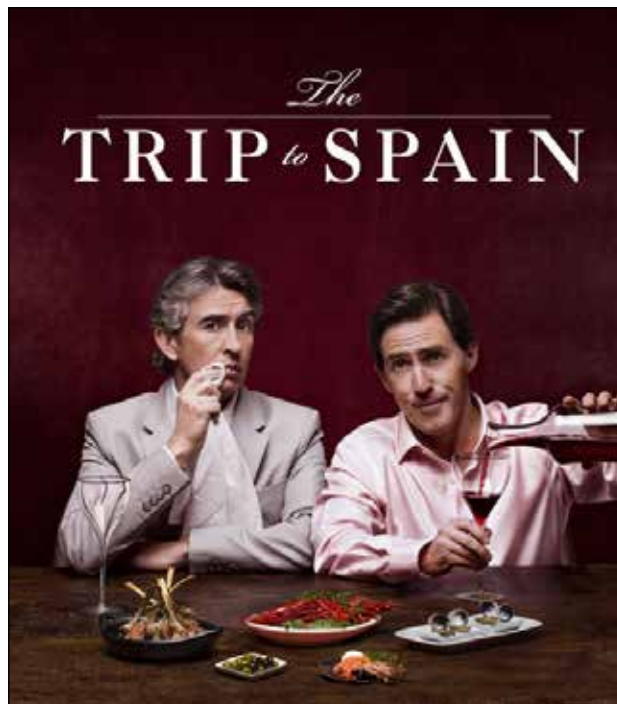
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## Key Club Membership has its benefits!

This week BiLA's lucky key members enjoyed an exclusive screening of Rob Brydon and Steve Coogan's latest installment of their hilarious 'Trip' series...

."The Trip To Spain" at the private members club NeueHaus on Sunset Boulevard. For the uninitiated, comic actors Brydon and Coogan have now made



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three of the acclaimed movies, which are shown in serialized form in the UK. The pair travel by car to various foodie destinations (the Lake District in the original, and Northern Italy in the sequel), swapping quips, put-downs and impressions, with Michael Caine, Roger Moore and Anthony Hopkins among their favorite targets. All the while enjoying great food and wine and boning up on local culture.

The pair's latest journey took them to the foodie paradise that is Spain, bringing the audience lots of laughs and plenty of salivating. Which is why the wonderful paella we all enjoyed up on the roof after the show was such a perfect ending to a great day. There will be many more fun experiences for BiLA Key Members throughout the year so. To learn how to become a key member, send us a message to [info@britsinla.com](mailto:info@britsinla.com) and we'll send you an application form. The Trip to Spain hits theatres this weekend. Check your local listings for times and locations.

#### Rag N Bone Man: live and large

We are very lucky in LA to be able to see some of the biggest names in music perform live. For instance we got to see Lady Gaga at the Forum for a spectacular show last week, followed by one of the UK's hottest new acts, Rag N Bone Man, in a much more intimate setting at the all-standing Fonda Theatre. The singer-songwriter (real name Rory Charles Graham), hails from East Sussex and burst onto the scene earlier this year with the release of his debut album Human. He was named British Breakthrough Act of the Year at this year's Brit Awards and looks to have a huge future ahead of him.

Eileen and I got to meet him afterwards and he was lovely. A real gentle giant and totally down to earth. If you haven't



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heard of him yet, trust me, you will. He is going to be massive. He has already been termed 'the male Adele' by the British music press. Check out "Human" on Spotify or iTunes. It's a formidable debut album.

#### Life's a beach....

We're closing in on the end of August but summer is definitely not over yet. Take advantage of the proximity of Santa Monica Beach to beat the heat, either by car or (even better) the MetroRail which will take you right into the heart of downtown SM. The whole area has been so drastically made-over these past few years,

from the clean beaches, to the Pier, to the dining options at Third Street Promenade. But your best bet might well be the Annenberg Community Beach House at Santa Monica State Beach. It is a public beach facility built on the location of a now-demolished 110-room mansion that was built for Marion Davies by William Randolph Hearst, (the press baron on whom Orson Welles' Citizen Kane was based). The club is available to all via reservation and has a fabulous lido pool with changing facilities and showers and costs only \$10 to get in. Totally worth it for those who seek the sun but prefer not to get sand

stuck in their trunks and bikinis. For details visit [annenbergbeachhouse.com](http://annenbergbeachhouse.com). And a short stroll across the sand for a spot of lunch is the "Back To The Beach" cafe. Lots of great California cuisine and some great vegetarian options too.

And finally, our popular Pub Quiz returns this week to the Cat & Fiddle pub on Highland Avenue, just north of Melrose on the east side of the street. With the irrepressible quiz master Sandro Monetti you are guaranteed to have a good time, whether you arrive in a group or are flying solo.

**Have a great week! Craig.**



MEET AND GREET: Eileen and Craig with rising British star Rag N Bone Man



**Nice buns!  
Liz Hurley  
posts  
shock  
burger pic!**

LONG known for her incredible figure, actress Elizabeth Hurley has finally revealed the "secret" behind her killer body.

The 52-year-old ex-Supermodel has an amazing physique and has now revealed that she doesn't deny herself a cheeky burger despite priding herself on her enviable curves...

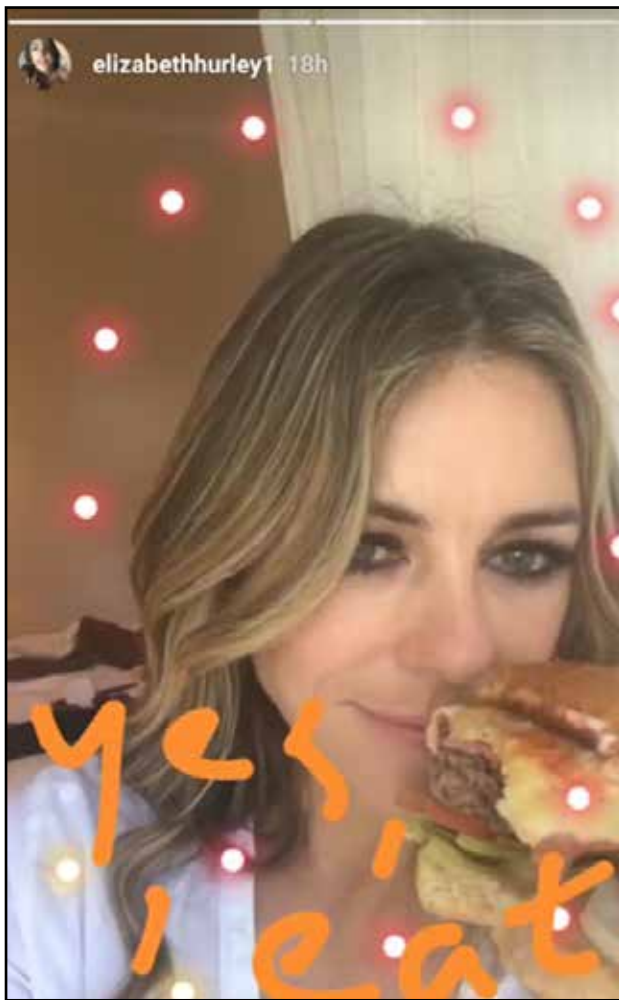
The Royals star took to Instagram earlier this week to share a clip of her chowing down on a juicy burger and captioned it: "Yes, I eat".

Oo-er!

Liz has spent the summer sharing lots of sexy bikini pictures with her fans and while she's happy to have a cheat meal every now and then, she admits to watching what she eats to stay trim.

She previously said: "I have to be careful because I am 50."

"I always watch what I eat, but I eat plenty of food. I don't do all that green juice, I don't do any of that... powders, I don't really take



**AGE SHALL NOT WITHER HER?** Liz says the key is to eat early in the day

vitamins. I try not to eat too much for dinner."

Hugh Grant's ex says her main diet tip is not eating much before she goes to bed at night.

She told E! News: "I think that's one of the best diet tips you can have:

"Eat your food earlier on in the day, so you've got more time to digest it and your body can rest

in the sleep period.

"I used to snack late at night because I was a little bit hungry before I went to bed... [but] I stopped doing that now."

When it comes to fitness, the mum-of-one says she doesn't lounge on the couch and credits pilates and yoga with keeping her toned.

Well burger me!

**Sam Smith set to bring it all on home with new album?**

Singer Sam Smith's new record name is the 'ultimate tribute' to his family.

The velvet-voiced British star has been off the radar for almost a year while working on a follow-up to his multi-award winning debut, *In The Lonely Hour*.

But the Oscar-winning crooner recently sent fans into meltdown with a series of images from a new video shoot, directed by James Barber.

They featured a cryptic message TPH-50HR tattooed on his chest.

Fans have cracked the code which stands for 'The Pink House 50 Heydon Road' - the address of his childhood home.

A source told the *Daily Star Online*: "Sam has chosen the title as the ultimate tribute to his parents Fred and Kate and sisters who have always supported his dream.

"They never once tried to dissuade him following his dreams, so it's a very personal record."

Sam, who recently went on holiday with



his dad, is finally ready to step back into the limelight.

He appeared at the YSL Beauty Club party at Sink The Pink in London this week ahead of a rumoured late summer single release.

Sam has worked with

collaborators Jimmy Napes and Naughty Boy on the new album, alongside Clean Bandit, Timbaland and 2016 BRITs Critics' Choice nominee Frances.

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# BRITISH WEEKLY SPORT



Trent Alexander-Arnold (second from right) was starting his ninth game for Liverpool

## “Dream” goal for Reds’ young star

Liverpool defender Trent Alexander-Arnold described scoring on his European debut for his boyhood club as “a dream”.

The 18-year-old opened the scoring with a neat free-kick as the Reds won 2-1 at Hoffenheim in their Champions League play-off first leg Tuesday night.

“It is indescribable,” Alexander-Arnold, who has been with the club since he was eight, told BBC Radio 5 live.

“It is special in so many ways.”

Former Liverpool captain and current Reds academy coach Steven Gerrard had said in April: “Trent’s going to be a beauty”.

Gerrard told BT Sport after the game on Tuesday that Alexander-Arnold will be a “top, top player”.

The teenager added: “It is always good to get compliments from your idol and I hope to live up

to his words. It is always good to get his backing and support.”

Alexander-Arnold, who broke into the Liverpool squad last season, took the free-kick despite there being considerably more experienced set-piece takers on the field for Liverpool.

“I told him he had to do it,” said Reds boss Jurgen Klopp. “He was the only one who can.”

“He can shoot free-kicks better than I ever could. He is an incredible young player.”

Liverpool will look to clinch a place in the group stage of this season’s Champions League when they host Hoffenheim in the second leg on Wednesday, 23 August.

“I am happy with the result,” added Klopp. “If somebody told me we would win we would take each result - even an 8-7.”

“I’m not happy with the goal they scored but

I think they deserved the goal for their effort over the 90 minutes.”

After Alexander-Arnold gave them the lead in the 35th minute, James Milner took advantage of acres of space on the left to find the top corner via a significant deflection from the chest of Havard Nordtveit just 10 minutes after coming on as a second-half substitute.

But defensive frailties again hampered the Reds as Mark Uth was found by a long ball into the box and fired in largely unchallenged in the closing stages.

It could have been worse for Jurgen Klopp’s side. In just the 11th minute, Simon Mignolet had prevented European debutants Hoffenheim taking the lead with a neat save to push away Andrej Kramaric’s poor penalty after Dejan Lovren had upended Serge Gnabry in the box.

Kevin Mirallas.

All three players responded with bright attacking performances, especially in the first half, as the Toffees went forward with pace and purpose.

Lookman particularly caught the eye, using his pace and trickery to ask questions of the Hajduk defence, and linking up to

good effect with right-back Cuco Martina.

And with Rooney and Klaassen combining superbly to tee up Gueye’s goal, Koeman can be satisfied that he has several options to ponder when Sigurdsson comes into his squad.

**Transfer news:** Tottenham are closing in



RELIABLE: Gareth Barry made his Premier League debut in 1998

## Record-breaking Barry now a Baggie

GARETH BARRY is set to smash the all-time Premier League appearance record after joining West Brom this week.

Everton’s former England midfielder had a medical at the Hawthorns on Monday and signed a one-year deal with the option of a further 12 months.

“I want to come and help the team. That has always been the same for me wherever I have played,” said the 36-year-old. “I want to help the team improve, work hard and hopefully add quality.”

Barry is just five games away from overhauling Ryan Giggs’ milestone of 632 Premier League appearances after making his debut at the age of 17. But while the Manchester United legend clocked up all

his games at one club, Barry has had to move around. His top-flight career has taken him to Aston Villa, Manchester City and Everton and he picked up 53 England caps along the way. Baggies boss Tony Pulis has been hunting for a ready-made replacement for Darren Fletcher after his skipper became a free agent and opted to join Stoke. And the manager jumped at the chance to land Barry, a man with a reputation for being one of the best professionals in the business.

Pulis said: “There was a big void when we lost ‘Fletch’ and Gareth will fill that.”

“He’s a fantastic player and his attitude towards playing is really gauged by the fact that Everton had offered him a two-year contract to stay there. He really

wants to play and I am really looking forward to working with him.”

The midfielder missed Everton’s opening game against Stoke last Saturday with a minor injury but the problem was not enough to hold up the deal. Barry could be fit to make his debut when West Brom face Burnley at Turf Moor on Saturday. Everton manager Ronald Koeman would have liked to hold on to Barry but the club’s summer spending has made competition for places fierce at Goodison Park, and the arrival of Gylfi Sigurdsson from Swansea would have resulted in Barry falling even further down the pecking order.

Barry started his career at Brighton before joining Villa, where he made his debut against Sheffield Wednesday in 1998.

Chelsea have had a £63m bid for Juventus’ 26-year-old wing-back Brazil Alex Sandro rejected.

Manchester City are ready to offer West Brom £22m for their 29-year-old captain Jonny Evans after having an £18m bid rejected. City are prepared to almost double the Northern Ireland defender’s £75,000 a week wages.

Barcelona sporting director Robert Fernandez says it will be “difficult” to sign Liverpool’s 25-year-old attacking midfielder Philippe Coutinho because he doesn’t have a release clause in his contract.

## Toffees:

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Rooney led the line against the Hajduk as Sandro missed out through injury, with Klaassen in the ‘number 10’ role and flanked by teenager Ademola Lookman and Belgium international



# Everton finally land Gylfi

■ Koeman gushes over 'one of the best in the Premier League'

Everton have completed the club-record signing of midfielder Gylfi Sigurdsson from Swansea City for a fee believed to be about £45m.

The 27-year-old passed a medical at the club on Wednesday.

Sigurdsson's transfer fee eclipses Everton's previous record of £31.8m to Chelsea for Romelu Lukaku in 2014.

"Hopefully I will continue to create goals and score goals for the team and contribute to the kind of success we're seeking at the club," he said.

"This is an ambitious club and it is clear we are moving in a really

good direction. The most important thing is that this team keeps winning games and climbing the table - and does that throughout the season."

The Iceland international scored nine goals and made 13 assists last season to help the Swans avoid relegation.

"It took some time but finally we have signed the player," Everton manager Ronald Koeman said.

"In my opinion, in his position he is one of the best in the Premier League. We have the player here and that's really good for the team."

Swansea set an asking price of £50m for



**KEY MAN?** Sigurdsson scored nine goals and made 13 assists for Swansea last term

Sigurdsson in July after rejecting an offer worth about £40m from Leicester.

The Welsh club then

turned down a similar bid from the Toffees, who had been interested in signing the Iceland playmaker for more than

a year.

Spurs will reportedly benefit from a 10% sell-on clause, having sold Sigurdsson to Swansea

in the deal which took Wales full-back Ben Davies and goalkeeper Michel Vorm to White Hart Lane.

## Rodgers hails 'outstanding' Hoops

Champions League Play Off  
Celtic.....5  
Astana .....0

Manager Brendan Rodgers described Celtic's 5-0 Champions League play-off win over Astana as an "outstanding team performance" but insisted there is work to be done in the second leg.

Celtic travel to Kazakhstan on Sunday

ahead of Tuesday's tie, with Rodgers adamant that he will select a team to win the match and not just see it out.

"We want to go there and win the game. We want to perform well," he said.

"It was a brilliant performance and now we need to get the job done there."

An own goal by Evgeni Postnikov and a Scott Sinclair strike

established a 2-0 half-time lead for Celtic, and they added further goals through Sinclair again, James Forrest and an Igor Shitov own goal.

Celtic drew 1-1 away to Astana in the third qualifying round last season, before progressing by winning 2-1 at home, and the Kazakh champions have a strong home record.

Rodgers, though, **cont. on page 19, col. 1**



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