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Tennis stars to light up centenary celebrations

■ HUA HIN, THAILAND

Top tennis stars Maria Sharapova (pictured right) and Venus Williams will usher Thailand into the New Year when they play in an exhibition event in Hua Hin on Jan 2, organisers said on Tuesday.

They will then play in a mixed doubles match featuring former world number nine Paradorn Srichaphan and Thailand's current number one Danai Udomchoke.

Called the Centennial Invitation, the event will be held at the Centennial Park on a temporary court with a capacity to seat 4,000 people as part of the celebrations to mark Hua Hin's 100th anniversary.

"I'm delighted to be able to spend my New Year in Hua Hin," said Sharapova. "I am sure it will be an exciting time and I'm looking forward to competing in the Centennial Invitation."

Williams said she was also looking forward to playing in Thailand again. "I have very fond memories of my previous visit to Thailand," said the American star. "I'm really looking forward it."

Williams and Sharapova met in an exhibition match in Chiang Mai in the New Year of 2005.

Suwat Liptapanlop, president of the Lawn Tennis Association of Thailand (LTAT), said he was delighted that the two had chosen Hua Hin to start the New Year in.

"Maria and Venus are amazing players and fantastic people," Suwat said. "They are delighted to have an opportunity to return to Thailand to thrill Thai fans and celebrate New Year in Hua Hin."

Suwat said the LTAT wanted to be part of Hua Hin's centenary celebrations and help boost tourism. It will also celebrate Thailand being selected to host the 2011 ITF Congress. "The event will help bring tourists to Hua Hin and help boost our country's economy," he said.

Tickets priced 1,500 baht will be on sale at Thai Ticket Major outlets and Major Hua Hin from Nov 21.

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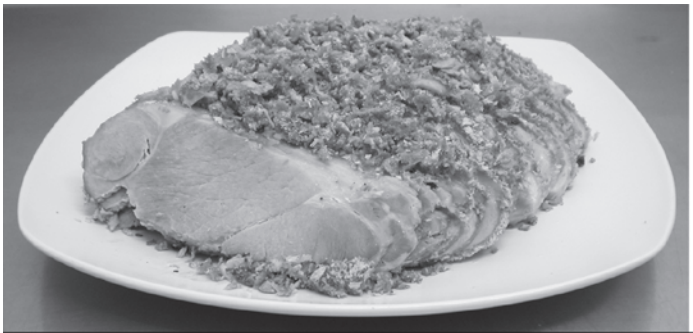

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Railway reform approved

■ BANGKOK, THAILAND

The Khao Tao rail crash last month, followed by a spate of smaller incidents appears to have triggered action to halt the decline of the Thai railway network, and to actually improve, restructure, rebuild and revitalise it. Economic ministers met on Wednesday and approved a State Railway of Thailand reform plan that will cost 110 billion baht over the next five years and three times as much later.

Transport Minister Sohpon Zarum said he would put the plan to the ministers and was confident the railway union would back the idea as it was a compromise between its demands and those of the SRT management.

He said the reform would lead to improved track maintenance and expansion and new locomotives in the next five years, while high-speed trains would be developed over the long term. The SRT's management would be divided into three business units to supervise administration, train operations and asset management separately, and a subsidiary would run the Airport Rail Link between inner Bangkok and Suvarnabhumi airport. "I believe the plan will eventually make the SRT a profitable organisation and it will be acceptable to all parties including the SRT union because there will be business units that the union has demanded and there will be only one subsidiary to run the Airport Rail Link project," Mr Sohpon said.

"It is one step backward for each side between the SRT management and the union."

The SRT will spend 46 billion baht over the initial five years of the plan on track maintenance, to buy 77 new locomotives, overhaul the 56 existing locomotives and add 26 passenger trains, 58 passenger carriages and 308 cargo carriages to its fleet. Also in the first five years, the SRT will need 66.1 billion baht to lay double tracks over 767 kilometres of railway line.

The SRT also plans to lay more double tracks over 2,272 kilometres from 2015 to 2024. The work is estimated to cost 258.6 billion baht and run along existing railway tracks.

Another long-term initiative is a high-speed railway. The SRT will invite the private sector to invest in four high-speed routes: from Bang Sue in Bangkok to Chiang Mai, Nong Khai, Chanthaburi and Padang Besar. The dedicated high-speed network will be 2,675km long and estimated to cost 710 billion baht.

The SRT also plans to extend its network by 2,651km to other parts of the country and to connect with the railways of neighbouring countries. This will require an additional 392.3 billion baht.Thailand's existing tracks cover 4,043km, of which 1,350km are considered unsafe. Mr Sohpon conceded there was a shortage of railway staff and he would seek cabinet approval to lift limits on recruitment.

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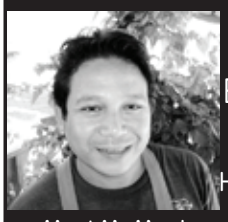
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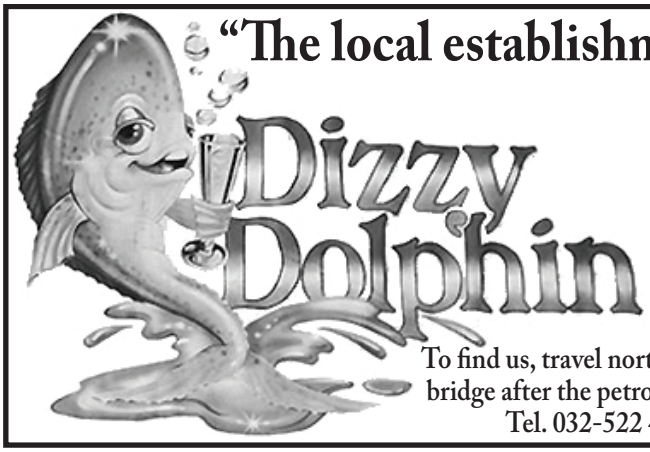
■ BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Sticking with the South American theme this week we have Marcela Kloosterboer who is a 26 year old Argentine actress, but apart from thousands of great pictures of her there is very other little information available! Still a picture paints a thousand words, so here is three thousand words of her.



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Sunday	Pleasant with sunshine	24	32
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Tuesday	Increasing cloudiness	22	32
Wednesday	Partly sunny	21	28
Thursday	Sunny to partly cloudy	21	27
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Auckland	11	18	Showers
Beijing	-6	3	Fine
Berlin	4	8	Rain
Buenos Aires	15	30	Cloudy
Chicago	1	15	Fine
Copenhagen	2	5	Cloudy
Dubai	20	32	Clear
Dublin	8	11	Rain
Geneva	1	9	Rain
Helsinki	-2	-1	Ptly Cldy
Ho Chi Minh	23	33	T-storms
Hong Kong	16	22	Sctd Clds
Islamabad	9	27	Sctd Clds
Jakarta	24	34	Rain
Jerusalem	11	21	Fine
Jo'burg	15	25	T-storms
Karachi	20	36	Cloudy
Kuala L'pur	24	32	T-storms
London	9	14	Bright
Madrid	7	19	Cloudy
Manila	26	32	Showers
Mexico City	8	23	Cloudy
Moscow	2	5	Rain
New Delhi	16	22	T-storms
New York	6	12	Cloudy
Oslo	-2	-1	Prly Cldy
Paris	7	13	Overcast
Perth	15	24	? Rain
Phnom-Penh	23	35	?T-storms
Rio	21	35	T-storms
Riyadh	16	31	Clear
Rome	7	17	Cloudy
San F'cisco	12	16	Windy
Singapore	25	32	T-storms
Stockholm	1	2	Sctd Clds
Sydney	18	23	Showers
Tokyo	8	13	Rain
Vientiane	20	32	Sctd Clds
Yangon	21	36	Clear
Zurich	0	9	Rain

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Hua Hin's Hot Topics from HHAD

The forum was a somewhat reflective place this week, as members continued to pay their tributes and respects to Chris Brown, who was cremated this week in Bang Saphan after some problems with the hospital. As it was also Remembrance Sunday and Veterans Day this week it added to that mood of reflection.

With so many members though (nearly 4500) there was lively discussion in some other areas; Current Affairs always gets the pulses racing and ongoing topics this week were dealing with Swine Flu, global warming and the related conspiracy theories. There was also a thread about the Milky Way with a link to some stunning recent pictures of our own galaxy.

The announceent that two top female tennis stars will be in Hua Hin as part of the town's centenary celebrations (see front page) generated a buzz as well as a predictable response from some! Football is another sport that gets hotly debated and the Liverpool fans on the board were feeling particularly put upon this week after their team's disastrous run of results.

Information about another popular activity has resurfaced this week as a new Jazz Train trip was announced, and the forum is the best place to find out about things to see, do and take part in around the area. A gathering of HHAD members is being planned for December with a poll running to determine the best date - if you want to put faces to handles get on the board and find out the latest arrangements!

As usual the Legal, Visas, Finance and Employment sub forum was busy, and the old chestnut about 24 hour reporting once again raised its head, with some members reporting this practice occurring again in Hua Hin when official documents seem to indicate that it shouldn't. The thread regarding Thai banks charging for foreign ATM card withdrawals also rumbles on as some banks have slashed the charge to a minimum level. UK pensioners also received some detailed advice about state pensions which they would be well advised to look at.

We are all remembering fallen friends and heroes this week, and it is a timely reminder that we should all make the most and best of our lives while we walk this earth; hopefully HHAD will help its readers do that in some small way.

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■ SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Woman's driving test joy... after 950 attempts

A woman in South Korea who has tried to pass the written exam for a driver's license with near-daily attempts since April 2005 has finally succeeded - on her 950th time.

Having spent more than 5 million won ($4,200) on application fees, Cha Sa-soon, 68, finally passed the written exam with a score of 60 on Wednesday.

It's the minimum score that will now allow her to take the driven part of the test, but it's enough.

"I believe you can achieve your goal if you persistently pursue it," Cha was quoted Earlier this year. "So don't give up your dream, like me. Be strong and do your best."

■ WASHINGTON, USA

VW van stolen 35 years ago found in container

A Volkswagen van stolen 35 years ago in Washington state has been found in a shipping container bound for the Netherlands.

Customs agents found the 1965 van on Oct. 19 when they opened a shipping container at the Los Angeles/Long Beach seaport, The Spokesman-Review newspaper reported. They ran the vehicle identification number and discovered it was listed as stolen.

Law officers said the van, which is in great shape, was stolen from an upholstery shop in Spokane on July 12, 1974 — while Spokane was hosting the 1974 World's Fair.

Authorities have not been able to find the original owner, whom they would not identify.

The operators of a vehicle restoration business in Arizona were the latest to have possession of the van, which they refurbished and planned to sell overseas, said Michael Maleta, an investigator with the California Highway Patrol. Mr. Maleta said the shop is also considered a victim in the case, and he declined to identify it.

The van now legally belongs to Allstate Insurance Co., which paid off the original owner's theft claim back in 1974. The Highway Patrol turned over the van to Allstate this week.

Mr. Maleta said the van had been restored to pristine condition.

"Now it's probably worth 27 grand," he said. "It's a beautiful van."

Megan Brunet, a spokeswoman for Allstate, said the company is looking through old records trying to find the original policy and theft claim.

"Trying to find paper files from that far back can be pretty challenging," she said.

The company will likely have the van appraised and go through the process of getting a replacement title before selling it at auction, she said.

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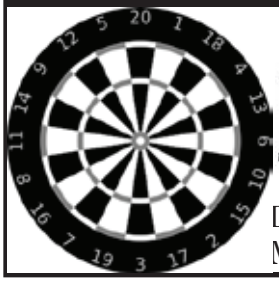

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Since the early 19th century we have used 'read the riot act' as a figurative phrase to describe attempts to calm groups of rowdies - along the same lines as 'you noisy louts, don't you know there are people here trying to sleep?'. It wasn't always so. Had we been 'reading the riot act' in 1715 we would have noticed capital letters. At that date there was a real Riot Act and it used to be read in public.

In English law the control of unruly citizens has usually been the responsibility of local magistrates. Any group of twelve or more that the authorities didn't like the look of could be deemed a 'riotous and tumultuous assembly' and arrested if they didn't disperse within an hour of the Riot Act being read to them by a magistrate. This seems a little harsh, but in 18th century England the government was fearful of Jacobite mobs who threatened to rise up and overthrow the Hanoverian George I. The fear was well-founded, as supporters of the deposed Stuarts did actually invade in 1715 and again in 1745. The 'Riot Act' was passed by the British government in 1714 and came into force in 1715. The Riot Act, which was more formally called 'An act for preventing tumults and riotous assemblies, and for the more speedy and effectual punishing the rioters' actually contained this warning: "Our sovereign Lord the King chargeth and commandeth all persons, being assembled, immediately to disperse themselves, and peaceably to depart to their habitations, or to their lawful business, upon the pains contained in the act made in the first year of King George, for preventing tumults and riotous assemblies. God save the King." The punishments for ignoring the Act were severe - penal servitude for not less than three years, or imprisonment with hard labour for up to two years.

After the Hanoverians were established in power the Riot Act began to fade into disuse. It was read to a group of demonstrating mill workers at Manchester Town Hall in 1842, but was used with decreasing frequency and had become a rarity by the 20th century. Surprisingly, the Act remained on the UK statute books into modern times and wasn't formally repealed until 1973. It was eventually superseded by the 1986 Public Order Act.

The first record of the figurative use of the phrase is in William Bradford's Letters, December 1819:
"She has just run out to read the riot act in the Nursery."

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Capricorn
Dec 22 - Jan 19
Your general feeling of being an underachiever, will be painfully underscored when your attempt to commit suicide will be a complete failure.

Aquarius
Jan 20 - Feb 18
There's a 27:27:46 chance this week that you'll either end up barbecued, have an apple stuffed in your mouth, or are called a filthy pig.

Pisces
Feb 19 - Mar 20
Don't bother RSVP-ing that wedding invitation you got last week. You'll be showing anyway. After Saturday's bachelor's party you may forget, but by Monday night you will remember; you were supposed to be the groom.

Aries
Mar 21 - Apr 19
Expect that on Monday afternoon you'll meet a mysterious stranger. His claims that he can take you back to previous lives, is so outrageous that you might just give it a try. It will be a disappointing experience.

Taurus
Apr 20 - May 20
Your incessant gaming might finally bring you some success. On Wednesday is a good day to try and break that high-score, provided you stay away from food with the letter S in it.

Gemini
May 21 - Jun 21
Whatever he's hiding, is most likely embarrassing for you. However Spanky the Monkey is refusing to produce a prediction for you this week. He just doesn't want to talk about it!

Cancer
Jun 22 - Jul 22
You are going to be lucky this week: you are to meet someone you could live the rest of your life with. Unfortunately for you, any union will be frowned upon, as she's 12, and you are turning 18 for the 19th time.

Leo
Jul 23 - Aug 22
Mars and Cassiopeia will cross Ra some time early Monday. On top of that Zeus is really upset with Thor, and thunder will rain. Mythologies isn't my strength; but I thought you should know.

Virgo
Aug 23 - Sep 22
Confusing times lie ahead. Really confusing times... Oh wait, I'm working on Libra now... I must've forgotten to write your prediction down. Sorry.

Libra
Sep 23 - Oct 23
Hvis du forstår denne forutsigelsen, lærte du Nordmann i din fortid. Dette vil være meget hendig når du fortsetter fridag der.

Scorpio
Oct 24 - Nov 21
Beware of Raffia work baskets on Monday. They will cause you a lot of trouble, that may leave you a true basket case for the rest of the month.

Sagittarius
Nov 22 - Dec 21
There's no more time to make a prediction for you this week; the deadline has already passed. But your life is pretty dull anyway, so why bother?

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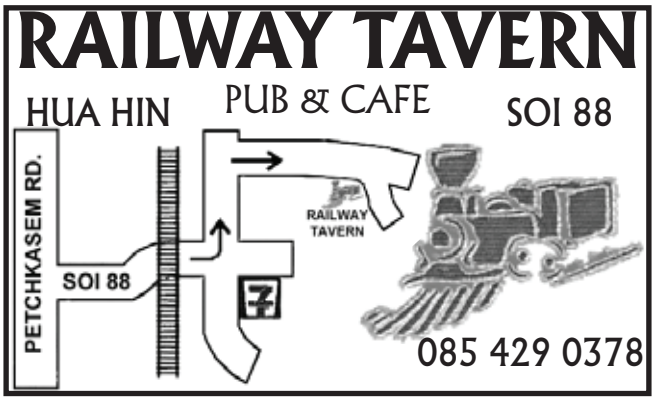

TOAD JOKE

So,there's this yellow toad wandering around in the forest, feeling really down because he doesn't want to be yellow. Life would be easier if he was brown like the other toads. He'd sure be less visible to predators for one thing. Anyway ... this yellow toad bumps into a Fairy Godmother and he begs her; "Fairy Godmother please make me brown like the other toads. I am tired of being so visible to predators and such."
The Fairy Godmother whips out her magic wand and says "Abracapokus! You're brown."
The toad looks down and sees that he is brown except for his package, which is still yellow.
He says to the Fairy Godmother "Wait a minute; my meat & two veg are still yellow."
To this the Fairy Godmother said, "I don't do willies, go and see the Wizard Of Oz for that.
The toad thanks her and hops off on his way.
There also happens to be a purple bear wandering around in the very same forest. He encounters the very same Fairy Godmother.
He implores her; "Fairy Godmother, please make me brown like the other bears. None of the lady bears want to be seen with me on account of the hunters can spot me from a mile off."
She being a nice Fairy Godmother, takes out her magic wand and says, "You're brown."
The bear looks down and sees that he is, in fact, brown with the exception of the old twig and berries, they remain purple.
He says, "What about my wedding tackle, they're still purple!
She says, "I don' t do genitals, you will have to see the Wizard of Oz for that."
To this the bear replies, "Well that's just dandy but how do I find the Wizard of Oz?"
The Fairy Godmother answers; "That's easy, just follow the yellow prick toad."

LITTLE GIRL ON A PLANE

(many thanks to Karl)

A Georgia Congressman was seated next to a little girl on the airplane leaving from Atlanta when the he turned to her and said, 'Let's talk. I've heard that flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with your fellow passenger.'
The little girl, who had just opened her book, closed it slowly and said to the total stranger, 'What would you like to talk about?'
'Oh, I don't know,' said the southern congressman. 'How about global warming or universal health care', and he smiles smugly.
OK, ' she said. 'Those could be interesting topics. But let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat the same stuff - grass. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces clumps of dried grass. Why is that?'
The southern legislator, visibly surprised by the little girl's intelligence, thinks about it and says, 'Hmmm, I have no idea.'
To which the little girl replies, 'Do you really feel qualified to discuss global warming or universal health care when you don't know shit?

FIFI'S IN HEAT

"Mom, may I take the dog for a walk around the block?" a little girl asked.
"No, I don't think so. Fifi is in heat," replied the mother.
"What does that mean?" asked the child.
Embarrassed and not wanting to get into a biological discussion with her young daughter, the Mother said: "Oh, just go ask your father. I think he is in the garage."
The little girl goes to the garage and says: "Dad, may I take Fifi for a walk around the block? I asked Mom, but she said that Fifi was in heat, and that I had to come talk to you."
Not wanting to have the biological discussion either, the father said: "Bring Fifi over here." He took a rag, soaked it with gasoline, and scrubbed the dog's rear end with it.
"Okay, now you can go for a walk, but keep Fifi on the leash and you can only go around the block once."
The little girl left, and returned a few minutes later with no dog on the leash.
"Where is Fifi?" her father asked.
"She should be here in a minute," replied the daughter. "She ran out of gas about halfway down the block and another dog is pushing her home."

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Nutty Boy, Khao Takiab

Dear Nutty,
Given the delicate nature and apparent severity of your problem and the possible repercussions for you, I will keep my answer as short and concise as possible. The answer to your whole letter is 'Yes'.

DEAR MARY,
My husband is losing his mind; every day he forgets something new, whether it is zipping up his fly, how many children we have, or what he has just eaten. Anything I say to him goes in one ear and out the other. This morning when I was cleaning the bedroom I found some white gooey stuff on the pillow in our bed, and this follows similar discoveries in the car and the lounge. I think his mind is falling out of his ears and that I am going to be left with a mindless idiot before too long - he has already changed allegiance from Manchester United to Liverpool, and I am worried that he might become a Millwall fan in time. What can I do?
Fading Fast, Khao Takiab

Dear Fading,
Your husband ***is*** losing his mind, but in men this is nothing to worry about, as they never use it all anyway. However if you are worried, collect all the bits up and make them into a nice stew, the very definition of 'brain food'. If he does become a Millwall fan though, involuntary euthanasia is available.

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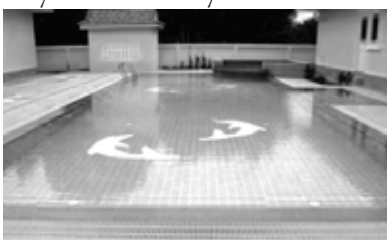

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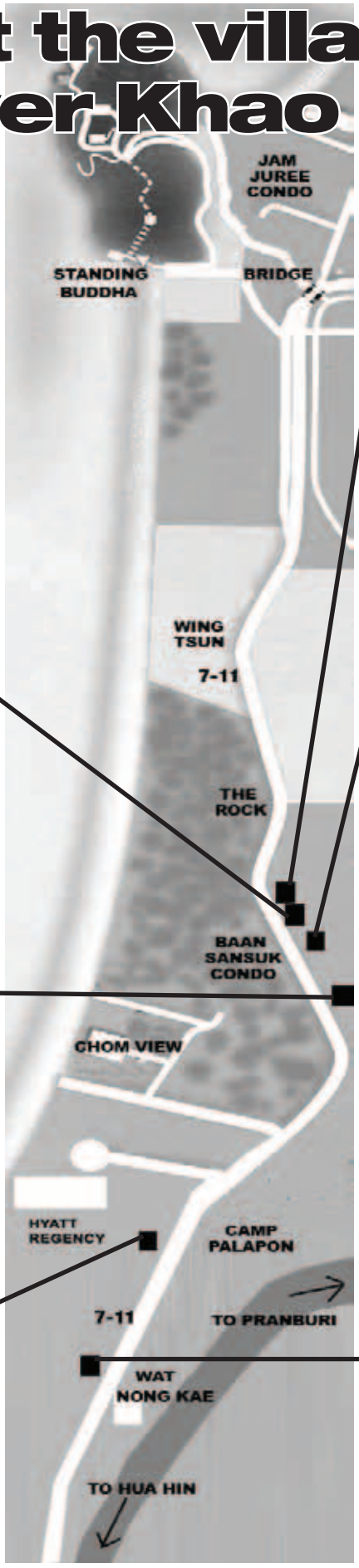

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	8		5				7	2
				4				
		5	2	3				7
9	6	7						
		3						
				8		5		
			4	1	7	6		
4			9					8

Puzzle 2

				6	2			
						5		2
	7	8		4			1	
	1	4	6	2		9		
					9	2		
	3							7
	6	1		8				9
3	9		5			8		
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Where do you start? Take a systematic approach to solving Sudoku. A good way to start is by first looking for a number that has the most "givens".

Look for the only possible choice. Sometimes there is only one place a number can possibly go. This is discovered by working systematically through each line and box in turn. Good luck!

Last week's solutions

Puzzle 1

9	3	7	1	6	5	2	4	8
8	5	1	2	4	7	3	9	6
2	4	6	8	9	3	1	5	7
4	7	9	5	8	2	6	1	3
1	8	5	4	3	6	7	2	9
3	6	2	7	1	9	4	8	5
5	9	4	3	7	1	8	6	2
6	1	3	9	2	8	5	7	4
7	2	8	6	5	4	9	3	1

Puzzle 2

2	3	4	9	5	7	8	6	1
6	8	5	1	2	4	7	3	9
7	9	1	8	3	6	4	2	5
5	7	3	2	1	9	6	4	8
8	1	2	6	4	3	9	5	7
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9	2	8	3	6	1	5	7	4
1	5	7	4	8	2	3	9	6
3	4	6	7	9	5	1	8	2

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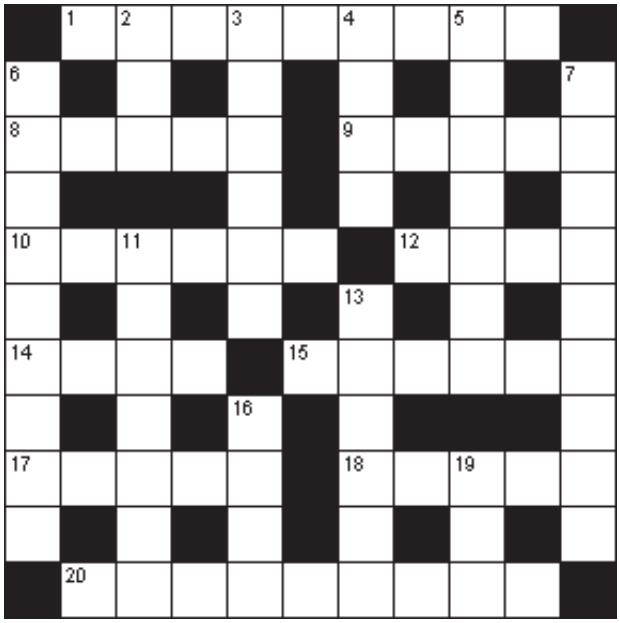
Across

1. Articles of glass
8. Snake
9. Sullen
10. Hurry
12. Paint unskilfully
14. Close
15. Jewish girl
17. Consisting of sand
18. Connected series of rooms
20. Person who is given to pranks

Down

2. Male child
3. Thoroughfare
4. Cleanse
5. Free from confinement
6. Person who operates machinery
7. East Shetland village
11. Wrench
13. Stops
16. Song in praise of God
19. I have



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Hua Hin Pool Leagues

Hua Hin Social Pool League Results
Week 25 – 4th November 2009
Headrock v No Game
Limelight v JW Black 14-5
U Turn v Billys Not Received
Jungle Juice B v J Juice A 10-9
Billys Babes v Sabai 11-8
JW Red v PP 8-11
Lazy Daze v Red Bar 12-7

Week 26 results next week

Next Week's Fixtures
The season is finished! Final table and results will be in next week's AWOL, although the following outstanding matches are still to be played;
Billys v JWBlack Wk 15
JW Black v Billys Babes Wk 21
PP v Lazy Daze Wk 24

League Table

Team	P	W	L	F-A	Pts
J Juice B	23	19	4	251-186	38
JW Red	23	19	4	232-205	38
PP	22	17	5	227-191	34
J Juice A	23	13	10	239-198	26
Sabai	23	13	10	226-211	26
H'drock	23	10	13	224-213	20
Blys Bbs	22	10	12	204-214	20
Lazy Dz	23	9	14	210-227	18
U Turn	21	9	12	205-209	18
L'light	23	8	15	214-223	16
JW Blk	21	8	13	179-218	16
Red Bar	23	5	18	194-243	10
Billys	21	5	16	165-232	10

Hua Hin Pool Billiard League Results
Matchday 29 6th Nov 2009

Home	Rks	Pts	Away	Rks	Pts
DB	11	2	LSA	16	6
OCT	19	7	LST	6	1
LSS	8	1	RTB	17	7
LSB	8	2	SB	17	6
JWB	17	6	DA	12	2
SUG	13	4	EAG	11	4
QUE	18	6	TW	9	2
PAT	10	1	JWR	19	7

Next Week's Fixtures
Matchday 30 13th Nov 2009
Lucky Shot A v JW Red
Queens Flower v Pat's Point
Thaiwaii v Eagle
JW Black v Sugar Cane
Dick's Office A v Sunset B'vard
Return Bar v Lucky Shot B
Octopussy v Lucky Shot Stud
Lucky Shot Th v Dick's Office B

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Diff.	Rks	Pts
Queens Flower Bar	29	22	5	2	92	191	49
Eagle Bar	29	22	3	4	94	173	47
Lucky Shot A	29	17	7	4	66	128	43
Thaiwaii	29	17	8	4	44	78	42
Lucky Shot Student's	29	16	6	7	48	91	38
Sunset Boulevard	29	16	6	7	38	78	38
Octopussy Bar	29	16	4	9	28	36	36
Johnie Walker Black	29	13	5	10	4	15	31
Lucky Shot B	29	10	6	13	-8	-22	26
Return Bar	29	10	4	15	-16	-45	24
Lucky Shot Thai	29	11	2	16	-26	-43	24
Pats Point	29	10	4	15	-38	-84	24
Johnie Walker Red	29	6	6	17	-50	-81	18
Sugar Cane Bar	29	6	5	18	-36	-72	17
Dick's Office B	29	1	4	24	-118	-222	6
Dick's Office A	29	0	1	28	-122	-221	1

Hua Hin 9 Ball League Results
Week 10 9/11/2009
Curly's Bar A 10 - 15 Eagle Bar
Dicks B 8 - 15 Curly's Bar B
Mr Dan A v LilleMan postponed
Plas Place 13 - 10 Dicks A

Next Week's Fixtures
Week 11 16/11/2009
Curly's Bar B v Mr Dan A
Dicks B v Plas Place
Eagle Bar v Dicks A
LilleMan v Curly's Bar A

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Eagle Bar	10	9	0	1	77	18
Mr Dan A	9	8	0	1	42	16
Curly's A	10	6	0	4	4	12
Curly's B	10	4	0	6	-5	8
Dicks A	10	3	1	6	-35	7
Plas Place	10	3	0	7	-33	6
LilleMan	9	3	0	6	-34	6
Dicks B	10	2	1	7	-16	5

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Darts Leagues

Results - Week 16 10/11/2009

Division 1

Lucky Shot v Lazy Daze 9-9
JW Red v Paradise 5-13
Oasis v Scandic Bar A Not Played
ThaiWaii v JW Black 2-16
Dicks Office B v CAT A 8-10

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
CAT A	13	10	1	2	158-76	21
JW Bk	13	9	1	3	152-82	19
Scan A	12	9	0	3	148-68	18
Lzy Dz	13	6	2	5	122-102	14
Oasis	10	6	2	2	110-70	14
P'dise	11	7	0	4	106-92	14
ThWai	13	4	0	9	84-150	8
JW Rd	13	3	0	10	77-157	6
Lky Sh	13	2	1	10	88-146	5
Dick B	11	1	1	8	51-147	3

Division 2

Cat B v Jaew 9-9
Scandic Bar C v Dicks Office A 11-7
Pat Point v Kom Hom Ladies 6-12
Kom Hom v Scandic Bar B n/a
Railway Tav v Jungle Juice 6-12

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
Cat B	13	10	2	1	172-64	22
Jaew	13	9	2	2	138-96	20
Scan B	12	9	0	3	148-68	18
Kom H	12	8	1	3	137-79	17
J Juice	13	6	1	6	119-115	13
KH Ls	12	6	0	6	95-121	12
Scan C	13	4	1	8	97-137	9
Pat Pt	13	3	0	10	67-167	6
R'way	13	2	1	10	84-152	5
Dick A	12	2	0	10	79-137	4

Top 16 Individuals
Division 1 Top 10

	Name	Bar	Total Points
1	Tao	CATA	233
2	Golf	SBA	215
3	Don	CATA	199
4	Dicky	JWB	198
5	Martin	LD	182
6	Rune	SBA	177
7	Mark	O	164
8	Martin	JWB	159
9	Noi	CATA	157
10	Boy	TW	146

Division 2 Top 6

	Name	Bar	Total Points
1	Ball	CatB	212
2	Cop	SBB	211
3	Howard	KH	169
4	Sak	SBB	161
5	Tia	SBC	156
6	Muay	JB	142

Next Week's Fixtures Week 16 10/11/2009

Cup Semi Finals

Thai Waii v Lazy Daze to be played at JW's

Scandic A v JW Red to be played at Lucky Shot

Both bars are within walking distance so please come along and support the teams.

Pool Leagues brought to you by Lucky Shot Bar

Hua Hin & Khao Takiab League 2009

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Harley's	5	5	0	0	34	10
Thaiwaii	5	3	1	1	20	7
Dizzy Dolp	5	3	1	1	14	7
Free Time	5	2	3	0	14	7
Sunset B'd	5	3	1	1	4	7
Oasis	5	3	0	2	20	6
Garden 2	5	3	0	2	6	6
Bob/ Noks	5	2	1	2	10	5
Dara	5	1	1	3	-16	3
Railway T	5	0	1	4	-28	1
Sports Bar	5	0	1	4	-38	1
Bobby's	5	0	0	5	-40	0

Results
Week 5 11th November
Dizzy Dolphin 9 - 9 Dara
Free Time 12 - 6 Bobby's
Garden Bar 2 10 - 8 Bob and Noks
Harley's 13 - 5 Sunset Boulevard
Oasis 15 - 3 Sports Bar
Railway Tavern 9 - 9 Thaiwaii

Next Week's Fixtures
Week 6 18th November
Bob and Noks v Harley's
Bobby's v Garden Bar 2
Dara v Free Time
Sports Bar v Railway Tavern
Sunset Boulevard v Oasis
Thaiwaii v Dizzy Dolphini

Hua Hin 8 Ball League
Results Week 10 11/11/2009
Curly's Bar A 7 - 5 Purple Pig
DicksA 9 - 3 DicksB
Eagle Bar 11 - 1 Curly's Bar B
Komhom 8 - 4 Pla's Place
MrDanA v LilleMan postponed

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
MrDanA	9	8	1	0	48	17
Eagle Bar	9	8	0	1	38	16
Curly's A	10	6	0	4	-4	12
Komhom	7	5	0	2	28	10
DicksA	10	5	0	5	0	10
Pla's Place	9	3	2	4	-10	8
Curly's B	10	3	2	5	-14	8
LilleMan	9	2	1	6	-24	5
Purple Pig	10	1	3	6	-28	5
DicksB	9	0	1	8	-34	1

Next Week's Fixtures
Week 11 18/11/2009
Curly's Bar A v Komhom
DicksB v MrDanA
LilleMan v Eagle Bar
Pla's Place v DicksA
Purple Pig v Curly's Bar B

Balloon Chasers Guide

Parties, special offers, regular events, celebrations and more; if you want it in AWOL email awol@huahinmedia.com or contact Noi at Sabai Bar (Tel: 086 174 6165) by Thursday noon every week.

Regular Events

Daily specials at Belga Cafe & Brasserie
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays - Pool Leagues
Tuesdays - Darts League (see p 17 for venues, free food for players)
Fridays - Dizzy Dolphin Karaoke/ Live music alternate Fridays (ad p 3)
- Dick's Office open darts night from 7.30pm (ad p 20)
- Bar-B-Q party every week at Le Velo Rouge, Khao Takiab

Saturdays - Beach Hut Bar (ad p 11) live band every week
Sundays - British style Sunday Roasts available at:
Lin's Cafe, Phetkasem Road between Soi s 80 &78 - Roast Beef Dinners Every Day (ad p 4), Jungle Juice, Soi Selekam (ad p 16), Dick's Office, Soi 80 (ad p 20), Ye Olde Buffalo Tavern, Chomsin/Naresdamri (ad p 6), Scandic Bar, Cha Am, open darts evening from 7.30pm . FREE return transport from Dick's Office departs 7pm - please call 089 745 3992 (Anne) or 089 894 4310 (Mack) 3 hrs before to book transport

Hua Hin Golf Society

This week's results:

10th November - Lake View 46 Entrants Stableford
Group 'A' - 0-20 hcp 23 entrants: 1st Bjorn Byman 38 pts 19 hcp. 2nd Jan (g) 35 pts 11 hcp. 3rd Tip Gouldby 35 pts 11 hcp.
Group 'B' - 21-36 hcp 23 entrants: 1st Marjorie Sherlock 41 pts 27 hcp. 2nd David Buchan 34 pts 23 hcp. 3rd Sheila Dixon 32 pts 29 hcp.
Nearest the Pin No. 8 Renu Phokchaturat, No. 17 Tim Dixon

6th November - Springfield 37 Entrants Stableford
Group 'A' - 0-15 hcp 21 entrants: 1st Keijo (g) 34 pts 11 hcp. 2nd Chuan 33 pts 9 hcp. 3rd Tim Dixon 32 pts 7 hcp. 4th Roger Donaldson 32 pts 6 hcp.
Group 'B' - 16-36 hcp 16 entrants: 1st Kurre 34 pts 19 hcp. 2nd Bob Hilling 30 pts 17 hcp. 3rd Paul Sandal 28 pts 17 hcp. 4th Geoff Yarrow 28 pts 20 hcp. Nearest the Pin No. 6A Jim Gilmour, No. 7C Roger Donaldson

Next week's fixtures:
Tuesday 17th Black Mountain - Matchplay Singles+ Stableford
Friday 20th Dragon Hills - Transport from the Bazaar 7.45

Butterfly Rock Golf

This week's results:

11th November Stylishgolf Trophy Black Mountain - 33 players
1st B O'Bell (8) nt 68, 2nd C Miller (6) nt 72, 3rd K Dwyer (13) nt 74

9th November Lake View A & B - stableford 24 players
Division 1 - 1-15 handicap - 12 players: 1st Gary Ross (15) 38pts, 2nd Paul Williams (2) 36pts, 3rd Craig Miller (6) 36pts
Division 2 - 16 - 36 handicap - 12 players: 1st Fred Kroll (20) 37pts, 2nd John Barber (18) 36pts, 3rd Jim Lynch (21) 36pts

6th November Palm Hills - stableford 15 Players
Front 9 21 pts Debs Rawlings (35), Back 9 19 pts Gary Marshall (9)
Overall 36 pts Barbara Anstee (25)

6th November Lake View A & B - stableford 18 players
1st P Tucker (8) 39pts, 2nd Bob (g) (14) 35pts, 3rd B Malone (17) 35pts

4th November Banyan - stableford 16 players
1st K Fennelly (g)(12) 36pts, 2nd D Miller (10) 34pts, 3rd K Dwyer (13) 33pts

Forthcoming Fixtures
Monday 16th Nov - Lake View AB; Stablefordfrom 10am
Weds 18th Nov - Alan Mercer Trophy. 2 man Texas Scramble played at Lake View CD from 10am
Friday 20th Nov - Palm Hills

FRIENDS of AWOL

Bars and Pubs
Beach Hut Bar (p11)
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Bobby's Bar (p7)
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Erikssons Wärdshus (p7/19)
Harley's Bar (p5)
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JW's (p17)
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Internationals

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Saturday, 14 November 2009
FIFA World Cup European Qualifying Playoffs 1st Leg
Russia v Slovenia, 23:00

Andrei Arshavin, the Rowan Atkinson of world football

Friendly Match
Costa Rica v Uruguay
Croatia v Liechtenstein, 23:30
Estonia v Albania, 21:00
FYR Macedonia v Canada, 19:00
Poland v Romania, 23:00
Saudi Arabia v Belarus
Slovakia v USA, 22:00
South Africa v Japan, 20:30
Wales v Scotland, 22:00

Sunday, 15 November 2009
FIFA World Cup European Qualifying Playoffs 1st Leg
Greece v Ukraine, 01:00
Portugal v Bosnia-Herz, 02:00
Rep of Ireland v France, 03:00

Friendly Match
Belgium v Hungary, 02:45
Brazil v England, 00:00
Denmark v South Korea, 02:00
Germany v Chile, 02:30
Italy v Netherlands, 02:00
Luxembourg v Iceland, 01:00
Northern Ireland v Serbia, 00:30
Spain v Argentina, 04:00
Switzerland v Norway, 02:00
Honduras v Latvia
Iraq v Azerbaijan
United Arab Emirates v Czech Rep

Tuesday, 17 November 2009
Friendly Match
Belgium v Qatar
Oman v Brazil, 21:00
Slovakia v Chile, 23:00

Wednesday, 18 November 2009
Friendly Match
South Africa v Jamaica, 01:30
Angola v Ghana
Cyprus v Bolivia
Honduras v Peru
Iran v FYR Macedonia, 21:30
Italy v Sweden
Malta v Bulgaria
Montenegro v Belarus, 23:00
Nigeria v Argentina
Poland v Canada, 23:00
Saudi Arabia v Romania
South Korea v Serbia, 21:30

Thursday, 19 November 2009
FIFA World Cup European Qualifying Playoffs 2nd Leg
Bosnia-Herz v Portugal, 02:45
France v Rep of Ireland, 03:00
Slovenia v Russia, 02:45
Ukraine v Greece, 01:00

Friendly Match
Austria v Spain, 02:45
Denmark v USA, 02:30
Germany v Ivory Coast, 02:45
Netherlands v Paraguay, 02:45

FIFA World Cup European Qualifying Playoffs Preview

The final four teams from the European section will be decided this week, and there is the potential for several of the bigger nations to fail, with former World and European champions France facing a tough match against the Republic of Ireland, former European champions Greece facing an even more daunting task against Ukraine, and Portugal facing the banana skin that is Bosnia-Herzegovina. Russia must be more confident against Slovenia but could still slip up.

FIFA (and South Africa) must be hoping that the big boys win through though, so as to make next summer's spectacle a true showcase of the world's finest footballers, and for most fans a World Cup lacking the likes of Ronaldo, Deco, Nani, Ribery, Henry, Arshavin, Pavlyuchenko and Zhirkov among others would diminish the event.

English fans can probably be forgiven for wanting to see Portugal fail after the events of the last World Cup, Russia for their part in preventing England qualifying for Euro 2008, and France just because it is France though!

Premier League Table

	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Chelsea	12	21	30
2	Arsenal	11	22	25
3	Man Utd	12	11	25
4	Tottenham	12	6	22
5	Aston Villa	12	8	21
6	Man City	11	7	20
7	Liverpool	12	9	19
8	Sunderland	12	1	17
9	Stoke	12	-3	16
10	Burnley	12	-10	16
11	Fulham	11	0	15
12	Everton	11	-2	15
13	Wigan	12	-9	14
14	Blackburn	11	-11	13
15	Birmingham	12	-4	12
16	Bolton	11	-9	11
17	Hull	12	-15	11
18	West Ham	12	-4	10
19	Wolves	12	-10	10
20	Portsmouth	12	-8	7

AWOL-HHAD Challenge Fantasy League

The current top ten are:

#	Team	GW	TOT
1	simply red	72	696
2	Sassy Thai	45	658
3	Mr ChaAming	56	646
4	Sorco United	27	639
5	Jobless Army	43	628
6	Wanderlust United	35	620
7	Gusto Creative	44	616
8	Thailand Lover	63	614
9	I am...Sasha Fierce	26	603
10	Huahindick	48	600

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■ NEWCASTLE, ENGLAND

NEWCASTLE United are to change the name of their historic St James's Park Stadium every 30 seconds, in accordance with the highest bidder.

The previous sign was torn down yesterday and replaced with a scrolling digital screen displaying the constantly changing adverts.

Since the sign was erected it has changed the name of the stadium to that of 12 local minicab firms, a kebab house and a firm that makes scrolling advertisement signs.

Club owner Mike Ashley said: "I have huge respect for the fans of this club and I know this will not change the atmosphere here at the - hang on, let's see - Gateshead Nissan Repair Garage Stadium."

He added: "The Jesmond Hair and Nail Salon Stadium remains one of the finest in the country and this new revenue will allow us to upgrade the Singh's Newsagent, Tobacconist & Fancy Gifts stand."

Above: Cashing in@St James Park

But angry fan Charlie Reeves said: "I'm going to have to buy 30 seconds on the digital sign just so I can rename it the Disgusted With This Scrolling Digital Sign Stadium.

"That said, I have also paid for 10 minutes of The Citroen Saxo, 86000 miles, nice little runner, £1200 ono Stadium."

Ashley said he hopes to have a permanent sponsor in place by next summer, adding: "A group of Sunderland businessmen has tabled a £30m offer, which means we can all look forward to many happy years at Alan Shearer is a Colossal Tit Park."

N'Gog: I was framed

■ LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

David N'Gog and Rafa Benitez have finally spoken out on the diving debacle against Birmingham City. Liverpool's young French foward has claimed there is a conspiracy against him. "There were 45,000 fans there, and viewers from across the globe. Not to mention the camera's they had pointed at me. The ref made me look even worse by giving the penalty. It was clearly all a set up. Last year against Everton in the F.A Cup, they cut to commercials right in the middle of Everton scoring. They couldn't do that for me though. No, they had to still have the live feed just when I took a ridiculous tumble. Someone out there is trying to get me".

Liverpool boss Rafa Benitez was more livid than ever as he gave his views on the episode.

"That's just ***king great. The one thing we could use against Manchester United is that every decision pretty much goes their way. Now they can dive, cheat and foul as much as they like and if we complain they can bring up N'Gog. I honestly hope I get fired, take my severance package and move somewhere where I don't have to put up with ****ing bull**** anymore".

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