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A winning capture!
(WNPS Wild Kids - Backyard Wildlife Photography)

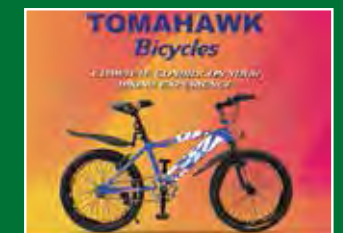
Pic. by Nadal Senapala (13 years)
Overall Winner



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The Championships – Wimbledon

The Wimbledon Championships is one of the four Grand Slam tennis tournaments.

It is commonly known simply as Wimbledon or The Championships. It is played annually in Wimbledon, a suburb of London in England.

The Championships are the only Grand Slam played on a grass court. Wimbledon is the third tennis Grand Slam of the year and is widely seen as the biggest and most prestigious event on the sport's calendar.

Wimbledon was first competed in 1877. Men's Singles was the only event when it started. The Women's Singles and the Men's Doubles events began seven years later in 1884. It has always been played during the summer, over two weeks, from late June to the beginning of July. The tournament is played after the French Open and before the U.S. Open.

In 1968, the Championships were opened up to both professionals and amateurs for the first time, with Rod Laver and Billie Jean King winning their respective Singles titles.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Wimbledon 2020 was cancelled for the first time since World War II.

Wimbledon 2021 is scheduled to be held from June 28 and finish on Sunday July 11, 2021.



Wimbledon Centre Court



The Gentlemen's and Ladies' Singles trophies



Record plaque about the longest match ever played at Wimbledon.



Novak Djokovic (Serbia) beat Roger Federer (Switzerland) to win the Gentlemen's Singles in 2019.



Simona Halep (Romania) beat Serena Williams (USA) to win the Ladies' Singles in 2019.

Fun Facts

- Wimbledon began in 1877 at the All England Lawn Tennis Club in the London suburb of Wimbledon as Gentlemen's Singles Championship, making it the oldest tennis tournament in the world. Only 22 players participated.
- 54,250 tennis balls are used during the Championships period. Tennis balls weren't always yellow. The originally white balls were replaced in 1986 so that they could be seen more easily on television.
- The tournament commands a global news access audience estimated at more than 1 billion people in 200 territories.
- Wimbledon is the largest single annual sporting catering operation in Europe: a whopping 140,000 portions of strawberries and cream are served during the two weeks of the tournament, among other things.
- Wimbledon rules state that all players must be dressed almost entirely in white. Umpires can ask a player to change if they don't meet the dress code.
- During the event, the grass is cut to a height of exactly 8 mm.
- Wimbledon has its own Hawk called Rufus whose job is to scare away pigeons each morning from the tennis courts.
- During the course of Wimbledon fortnight, the repairs team string about 2,000 rackets and use more than 40 miles of string.

Traditions

Seedings

In every tennis competition, players are given a seed to help decide their place in the draw. At Wimbledon, they use a player's performances (whether good or bad) on grass to help decide the seed. At other tennis competitions, seedings are chosen based only on rankings.

Clothing

The umpires (referees) and linesmen all have to wear special dark green and mauve clothing. The players wear all white.

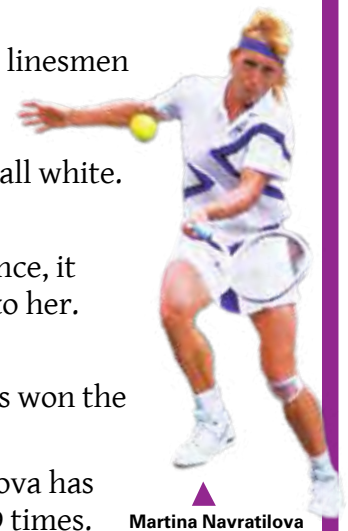
Etiquette

If the Queen is in the audience, it normal for players to bow to her.

Records

Men – Roger Federer has won the Singles 8 times.

Women – Martina Navratilova has won the Singles 9 times.



Martina Navratilova

Sources: KidzSearch, Discover Britain and Wimbledon.com



Diana Princess of Wales

Diana, Princess of Wales (Diana Frances; née Spencer; July 1, 1961 – August 31, 1997), was the first wife of Charles, Prince of Wales, who is the eldest child and heir apparent of Queen Elizabeth II.



Diana was born into a family of British nobility with royal ancestry and was the fourth child and third daughter of John Spencer, Viscount Althorp, and Honourable Frances Roche. She grew up in Park House, situated on the Sandringham estate. In 1975, after her father inherited the title of Earl Spencer, she became known as Lady Diana Spencer.

At school, Diana excelled in athletics, music and art. One of her favourite things to do was to work with the elderly and disabled. When she completed boarding school at the age of sixteen, she went to finishing school in Switzerland. Diana didn't like the school and persuaded her father to let her come back home.

As Princess of Wales, Diana undertook royal duties on behalf of the Queen and represented her at functions overseas. She was celebrated for her charity work and for her support of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines. She was involved with dozens of charities including London's Great Ormond Street Hospital for children, of which she was president from 1989.

Diana remained the object of worldwide media scrutiny during and after her marriage, which ended in divorce on August 28, 1996.



Princess Diana walked through an active minefield in Angola ▲



Diana visiting with injured children ▲

After attending schools in England and Switzerland, Lady Diana became a kindergarten teacher in London.

She came to prominence in February 1981 when her engagement to Prince Charles was announced. Her wedding to the Prince of Wales on July 29, 1981, held at St Paul's Cathedral, reached a global television audience of over 750 million people. While married, Diana bore the titles Princess of Wales, Duchess of Cornwall, Duchess of Rothesay and Countess of Chester.

The marriage produced two sons, the princes William and Harry, who were then respectively second and third in the line of succession to the British throne.

Media attention and public mourning were extensive after her death in a car crash in Paris on August 31, 1997 and subsequent televised funeral. ■

Source:
Kids Encyclopedia Facts



Diana



Tomahawk

QUIZ
No. 185

Questions for the Tomahawk Quiz No. 185 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times of June 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2021. All you have to do is to find the answers to the questions given. Write the answers neatly on a postcard. Cut the strip 'Tomahawk Quiz No. 185' seen at the top of this page and paste it on your postcard. Please get your entries certified as your own work by a teacher or parent.

Two lucky winners
will receive brand new
Tomahawk Mountain Bikes
with the compliments of
Tomahawk Bicycle Mall

All Funday Times readers between 8 – 15 years are eligible to participate.

(Those who have already won a bicycle are not eligible to participate.)

Closing Date: July 31, 2021

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QUESTIONS — QUIZ NO. 185

1. When was the first World Environment Day celebrated and what was its theme?
2. Name three types of ecosystems and three threats they currently face.
3. Who was the longest serving royal consort in British history?
4. What is the third tallest Buddha Statue in the world named and where is it situated?
5. Name the host country for the NATO summit held this year.

Please send competition entries to:



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C/O the Sunday Times
P.O. Box 1136, Colombo.
Or
8, Hunupitiya Cross Road,
Colombo 2.

Please note that competition entries (except Reeves Art) are accepted by email.

Please write the name of the competition and the date clearly at the top of your entry and include the following details:

Full Name (including Surname), Date of Birth, Address, Telephone No. and School.

Please underline the name most commonly used.

All competition entries should be certified by a parent or guardian as your own work.

Competition entries without the full details requested above, will be disqualified.

Closing date for weekly competitions:

July 21, 2021

Telephone: 2479337/2479333

Email: fundaytimes1@gmail.com

We regret that we are unable to announce winners this week since we are working from home. Stay safe.



Ruzaina Junkeer
14 years on July 9



Abdurahman
8 years on July 1

Photographs of members and non-members between 4 – 15 years, for the birthday page, should reach us at least ten days before the birthday, along with a letter from a parent giving full details.

NOTE

Please log on to the Funday Times website on www.fundaytimes.lk or check out the Sunday Times epaper on www.sundaytimes.lk for additional pages of this week's Funday Times.

Backyard Wildlife Photography Competition for Kids



In celebration of World Environment Day 2021, the WNPS WILD KIDS conducted 'BACKYARD WILDLIFE' Photography Competition



Overall Winner
Nadal Aaron
Senapala

Week 1
Caterpillar
Thanugi Devsara
◀ (8 years)



Week 2
Spider
Nadal Aaron
Senapala
◀ (13 years)



Week 3
Squirrel
Yvan Risath
Thrimawithana
◀ (15 years)



Week 4
Garden Lizard
Yvan Risath
Thrimawithana
◀ (15 years)

Total number of entries submitted: 2,039

Let's read with Room to Read!

Dear Children,

Today's story is called 'Puppy Hears a Noise'.

A puppy hears an awful noise that disturbs his sleep at night. He tries to find out who is making the noise. Where do you think the noise is coming from?

Let's begin...

Puppy was sleeping.

Now he's awake!

Chirp, chirp, chirp...

Screech, screech, screech...

Chirp-screech, chirp-screech...

"Baby Elephant, Baby Elephant, you're screeching so loud!" says Puppy.

"It's not me. I don't screech," answers Baby Elephant.

"Porcupine, Porcupine, you're screeching so loud!" says Puppy.

"It's not me. I can't screech," answers Porcupine.

"Hornbills, Hornbills, you're screeching so loud!"

"It's not us. We can't screech," answer the Hornbills.

"Hummingbirds, Hummingbirds, you're screeching so loud!"

"It's not us. We can't screech," answer the Hummingbirds.

"Baby Monkeys, Baby Monkeys, you're screeching so loud!" says Puppy.

"It's not us. Who is it? Let's find out!" answer the Baby Monkeys.

"We are Crickets, we are Crickets, we chirp-screech!"

We rub our wings together to make the chirp-screech noise at night."

Oh! It's the Crickets!

-The End-



Puppy Hears a Noise

Author: Chandana Bandara Samarakoon

Illustrator: Isuri Dayaratne

Translator: Chandana Bandara Samarakoon

These story books are published by Room to Read, who believe that *World Change Starts with Educated Children*. The book highlighted today was first published by Room to Read Sri Lanka in Sinhala in 2019, which belongs to its first nonfiction story collection.

This week's trivia

Puppy hears someone screeching. Who is it?

Send your answer to literacylk@RoomtoRead.onmicrosoft.com and stand a chance to win a storybook by Room to Read!

One lucky winner will be chosen every week and the prizes will be given at the end of the series.



Access the full story with illustrations via Room to Read's [Literacy Cloud](#).

Identify and Caption

Hi Kids,

To keep safe from the COVID -19 pandemic, you are confined indoors these days with online classes. We are giving you this activity to provide an interesting change to your daily routine and expand your general knowledge.

Given here are ten images. Observe them and identify and write a sentence giving, **Who/What, Where** and **When**, if possible.

Please send your answers to: fundaytimes1@gmail.com

The correct answers will be published in due course.



News in Pictures

June 30



New York, USA ▲
Children cool off in a fountain during a record heatwave in Brooklyn.



The Hague, the Netherlands
Living statues take part in a demonstration by the CNV trade union, demanding better pay and appreciation for public sector workers.

Kyzylorda region, Kazakhstan ▶
A Soyuz rocket booster carrying the Progress MS-17 cargo freighter blasts off from the Baikonur cosmodrome.



June 29



Eviatar, West Bank ▲
Israeli settlers and supporters in the newly established wildcat outpost of Eviatar watch as Palestinian protesters flash laser beams towards them from Beita village, near the northern Palestinian city of Nablus in the occupied West Bank. Jewish settlers agreed to leave the new outpost that has stirred weeks of Palestinian protests following a deal with Israel's government.



Barranquilla, Colombia ▲
Protesters topple a statue of Christopher Columbus during a demonstration against the government.



Athens, Greece ▲
A recovered painting by Picasso is displayed by police nearly a decade after it was stolen from the country's biggest state art gallery in Athens.



Bateke Plateau, Gabon ▲
A western lowland gorilla named Mayombe holds her newborn. The gorillas Mayombe and Djongo are thought to have made history after becoming the first captive-born couple to give birth in the wild at the Bateke Plateau national park in Gabon.



Tokyo, Japan ▲
A staff member stands in an interactive kinetic installation titled 'Floating Flower Garden: Flowers and I Are of the Same Root, the Garden and I Are One' at the TeamLab Planets garden area in the Toyosu district of Tokyo.



Kathmandu, Nepal ▲
Women play in a muddy paddy-field during 'National Paddy Day', which marks the start of the annual rice planting season, in Tokha village on the outskirts of Kathmandu.

Source : The Guardian

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BY OLIVIA JAIMES



DOG GONE FUNNY LA MIRADA, CA
 RITA RUTKOWSKI HAS MAX, A CHIHUAHUA, WHO WAKES UP RITA BY KISSING HER UNTIL SHE WAKES UP AND GETS OUT OF BED. ONCE SHE DOES, MAX BURROWS UNDER THE COVERS AND GOES TO SLEEP. MAX LIKES HIS BLANKETS WARM!