

So, 2016?

What are your highlights?

JANUARY - CALAIS CRISIS



In France, residents of the Calais refugee camp known as the "jungle" have vowed to peacefully resist authorities' efforts to evict them and bulldoze parts of the camp. Thousands of refugees live in makeshift tents in Calais as they seek to enter Britain through the Channel Tunnel. But French authorities want to resettle about 1,500 of them in storage containers which the refugees say resemble a prison and lack common areas—like the makeshift kitchens and places of worship in the camp.

FEBRUARY - NORTH KOREA



North Korea Launches a Satellite into Orbit.

While North Korean officials claimed it was for peaceful purposes, the U.S. and South Korea condemn the move as a thinly veiled attempt to test their intercontinental ballistic missile technology, which is banned under UN Security Council resolutions.

MARCH - BRUSSELS BOMBINGS



Two deadly explosions struck an airport and a metro station in Brussels leaving 32 people dead and more than 300 seriously injured.

The explosions caused panic among people and transport was disrupted around the country forcing Belgian authorities to increase security. Shortly after the explosions, a third bomb was found at the Brussels Airport.

Militant group ISIS claimed responsibility for the explosions.

APRIL - DEMOLITION BEGINS OF CALAIS' 'JUNGLE'



The major three-day operation sought to clear the sprawling shanty town near the Calais port - a symbol of Europe's failure to resolve its migrant crisis - of its estimated 6,000 - 10,000 occupants.

MAY - LEICESTER CITY

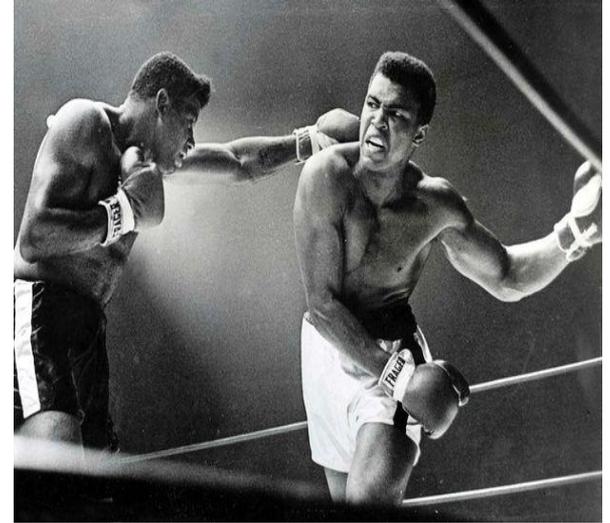


Leicester City win the English Premier League title after starting the season at 5,000-1 odds

JUNE - THE EU & MUHAMMAD ALI



The EU referendum – a vote in which everyone of voting age took part to decide whether the United Kingdom should leave or remain a part of the European Union – saw a whopping 52% people voting in favour of leaving EU ('Brexit') and only 48% people negating the exit strategy. The turnout of the referendum was 71.8%, and an impressive 30 million (plus) people revealed their opinion by casting a vote.



The former heavyweight champion of the world, Muhammad Ali, died at the age of 74.

Having suffered for 35 years with Parkinson's disease, the three-time former world champion passed away after being taken to hospital with respiratory issues.

JULY - NEW PRIME MINISTER



The UK's new prime minister Theresa May has vowed to lead a "one nation" government that works for all not just the "privileged few". Speaking outside 10 Downing Street after being appointed by the Queen, she said it would be her mission to "build a better Britain".

AUGUST - THE OLYMPICS IN RIO

Rio becomes the first South American city to host the event, which opens on 5th August 2016 and finishes on 21st August 2016.



SEPTEMBER - NEW MONEY



The governor of the Bank of England, Mark Carney, said the new note would be cleaner, safer and stronger. "The use of polymer means it can better withstand being repeatedly folded into wallets or scrunched up inside pockets, and can also survive a spin in the washing machine," he said. However, the notes are not indestructible.

OCTOBER - DEATH OF PETE BURNS



The Dead or Alive hitmaker - who scored an infectious number one with You Spin Me Round (Like A Record) in 1984 - died of a massive heart attack on October 23, aged 57.

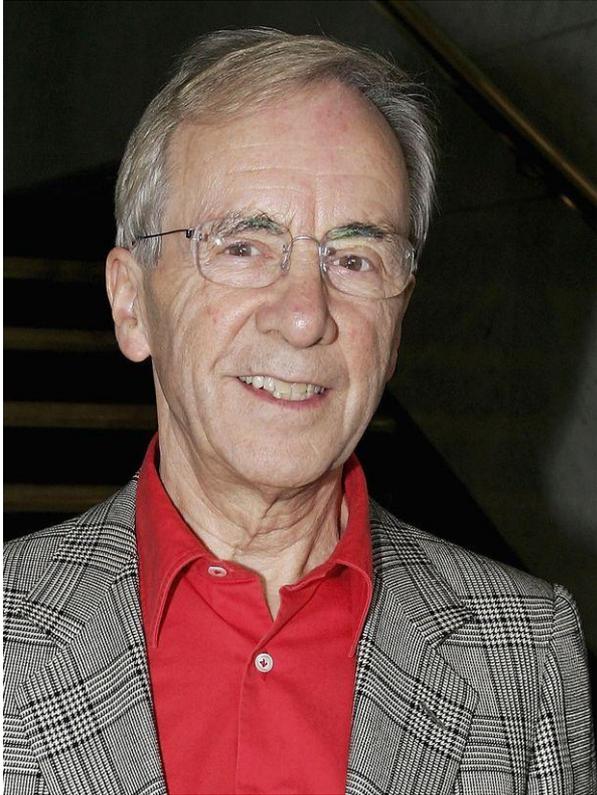
NOVEMBER - AMERICA'S ELECTION RESULTS



The 58th US presidential election is held on Tuesday 8th November 2016. The incumbent president Obama is ineligible to be elected to a third term, due to term limits in the 22nd Amendment to the US Constitution.

In one of the most shocking U.S. elections in modern political history, Donald Trump defeats Hillary Clinton.

DECEMBER - DEATH OF ANDREW SACHS



Fawlty Towers actor Andrew Sachs passed away on December 1 2016 aged 86, following a four year battle with dementia. Sachs found fame playing bumbling waiter Manuel in the BBC comedy series alongside John Cleese.

Enjoying a host of other roles on stage, screen and radio - Sachs will also be remembered for his stint on the cobbles of Coronation Street as Ramsay Clegg.