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Shigeru Ishiba to be Japan's Leader

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Image Source: The Japan Times

Former Minister of Defense Shigeru Ishiba was newly elected as a leader of Japan's ruling party, the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) on September 27th, winning on his fifth attempt. The leader of LDP, which has ruled Japan for almost all of the post-war era, is certainly becoming the 101st prime minister of Japan due to its majority in parliament and Japan's system of government. He competed with 9 candidates including Shinjiro Koizumi who is famous for his phrase "Fun, Cool, and Sexy." and Sanae Takaichi who is a hard-line nationalist. It is significant that it is the first election that is held after the dissolution of the factions in the party because of the scandal. In the first round, Takaichi was in the lead receiving 181 votes while Ishiba received 154. It was mainly due to his low approval among diet members. It is famous that he never comes out to any meeting or dinner of factions. In the Second, however, some of the diet members' votes for Koizumi moved to Ishiba so he could win receiving 215 votes out of 415.

Shigeru Ishiba is well known for his strong claims about the normalization of Japan's security and strengthening of the Self Defence Forces. He has also mentioned the foundation of the marine force in the Self Defense forces. In the press conference after the election, he cited recent incursions from Russia and China into Japan's territory and North Korea's repeated missile tests as evidence that Japan must strengthen its security. He also admits that the agreements of the other countries are mandatory to achieve normalization. In Korea, he is considered one of the few pro-Korean politicians in Japan. He claims that Japan should face the responsibility of the War and apologize to war-affected countries, especially Korea, mentioning the Name-Changing Program and military sexual slavery. Also, he

has not been visiting Yasukuni Shrine. However, he is showing a hard stance on Dokdo. The relationship between Korea and Japan is looked forward to in his term.

Taliban Erects New Law On Banning Showing Women's Face and Voices

by SEJIN TENNANT



Image Source: AP news

Recently, the Taliban, an oppressive terrorist group known for instating laws that bar young girls and women from basic human rights and restricting their freedom.

Recently, they have announced new "vice and virtue laws", which prohibit women and girls from showing their faces and presenting their voices in public. This addition further restricts their freedom, as they are already not allowed to attend schools and universities if they are in 7th grade and above. More information on their past additions can be seen at the end, where you can view the Taliban's laws against women in schools and universities, the justice system, women outside of their homes, and many other categories.

The Taliban was first formed in the early 1990s, as a group that was said to restore peace and stability and to enforce their interpretation of the Sharia Law, or Islamic law. Soon, they extended their sphere of influence by overtaking Afghanistan's capital, Kabul, where they killed the president of Afghanistan, raising themselves to be the rulers of Afghan society.

Following the 9/11 attacks and the Taliban's continuation of their mistreatment of people, especially targeting women, the US and Britain started a campaign against the Taliban, wishing to push them out of Afghanistan. Eventually, they succeeded,

keeping the people of Afghanistan safe. However, after nearly twenty years of fighting, they eventually withdrew their troops during President Joe Biden's inauguration. Ultimately, this led to the Taliban retaking control of Afghanistan at lightning speed, taking only weeks to become rulers of Afghanistan.

Sadly, this was the main cause of the current ethical problems gripping Afghanistan's people today, and possibly for many long years.

Oceanographers find Rare Creatures Deep Down the Pacific Ocean

by YEJI LIM



Image Source: PetaPixel

Have you ever dreamed of or imagined a mythical creature living under the sea? If you ever did, what did it look like? Recently, oceanographers found rare and fascinating creatures under the sea.

Imagine four famous skyscrapers you know. Now, stack those buildings on top of each other. Can you imagine how tall it would be? About a month ago, oceanographers discovered an underwater mountain as tall as those skyscrapers stacked together. It is located in the Pacific Ocean 900 miles off the coast of Chile. The sea mountain is 1.9 miles tall and part of an underwater mountain range which is home to sponge gardens, ancient corals and rare marine species.

Using an underwater robot, a team led by the Schmidt Ocean Institute explored one of the mountain's ridges, finding a region rich in marine biodiversity.

Furthermore, the researchers have documented a ghostly white Casper Octopus, marking the first time this deep-dwelling cephalopod has been seen in the ocean. The researchers also spotted two rare BathypHYSA Siphonophores, sometimes known as the spaghetti monster for their string-like appearances. They also recorded the first footage of a live Promachoteuthis Squid, a squid that has a unique color of skin, known only from a few collected specimens. Including these three rare creatures, oceanographers explored and found a variety of various sea creatures under the sea.

Thanks to these explorations, the leader of the team was able to map and explore 25 sea mountains, which is quite a large number to explore. As a result, they got informative data as a community which could be put forward to make the case for an interesting region of protection for the ocean. Oceanographers

and explorers hope to find more regions under the sea in the future.

Paris Olympic Breakdancing Australia

by DANIEL CHEON



Image Source: The Australian

Nicknamed B-Girl Raygun, Rachel Gunn, is a 36-year-old Australian breakdancer whose performance at the 2024 Paris Olympics was criticized and became viral on many social media platforms. She competed in the official new sport "breaking" or breakdancing which had its first debut at the 2024 Paris Olympics. Her performance, which was composed of various movements such as mimicking the hopping of a kangaroo or a snake, led many viewers to be confused by her style and was mocked by social media users via memes and videos whilst other athletes got famous by performing charismatic and appealing moves.

Because of this underwhelming performance, it generated many disappointed people, and these people, many of them Australian, shared their thoughts about how "it made a mockery of the Australian scene". Some even went down to question if she was fairly qualified for the place in the Olympics, seeing that her husband is also a breakdancer and creating conspiracies that he was one of the judges on the qualification for her rights to compete in the Paris Olympics. This mockery did not stop online, though most were light-hearted jokes such as memes derived from screenshots of her signature moves on the stage, some crossed the line between a simple joke and mean mockery.

However many have rushed to defend Rachel against this abuse, mentioning her hardships on her journey to become a representative of Australia in the "male-dominated scene" said by Rachel. Also about how the careless words thrown by the public are disappointing and could stop artists from trying new things like Rachel, who tried being creative in her field. Breaking head judge Martin Gilan said that breaking was "all about originality", mentioning how Raygun tried to

morph her inspiration from the surrounding environment into interconnected moves in her performance.

In the end, many of the criticism reached Rachel, who in an interview said that it was “really sad” to hear the negative reactions to her performance and that it put her “in panic” because the hate was pretty devastating. She also spoke out her perspective, saying: “I went out there and I had fun. I did take it very seriously, I gave it my all”. In the end, despite the criticism, it is true that she brought a very creative performance and gained more attention than anyone else in the competition.

Immigrant Issues in England

by IRENE KIM

England has always been having issues regarding foreign immigrants, there is much of the population who shows blatant detest on many that move to the country, this led to protests and riots being frequent occurrences in the country. Although there are many reasons for this, one of the most known ones are fear for the ‘dangers’ that they may pose to society, which is fuelled by stereotypical opinions regarding certain ethnicities. Most of these people tend to have set views regarding immigrants, especially towards muslims and middle-eastern people, often wrongfully associating them with Talibans and terrorism. This common discrimination problem has been an on-going issue for a while in the nation, but its influence has risen up with the recent murder in the region of Southport.

On 29th of July 2024, three young girls (Bebe King, Elsie Dot Stancombe, and Alice Dasilva) ages ranging from 5 7, were killed by stabbing at a Taylor Swift themed dance class in the town of Southport. Soon enough, it was revealed by further investigation that the murder had been committed by a 17-year old teenage boy. The criminal’s identity had remained confidential to the public by law, but rumors originating from social media falsely accused the criminal of having been a radical islamist migrant.

This resulted in the uproar of protest and riots against immigrants in the nation; people with confirmation bias had taken advantage of the rumor and had exploited the crime to express ‘the danger’ the immigrants posed to England.

However, it has already been revealed recently that the assailant was a completely legitimate citizen whose family lived in England for generations. Unfortunately, even with this disclosure, the false information is still highly accounted for and believed to be, even in present times. Showing how these people with one-sided views of whole other countries persist even today—it is a prime example of how racism still continues during modern times.

This incident has shown the importance of the ability to discern between legitimate and illegitimate information, especially information from social media. Information, especially if it’s such a serious matter like this, should be checked and accounted for fully. Not getting blinded by confirmatory bias

and exploiting false facts. The other important lesson is to have an open mind, and not discriminate through false stereotypes.

Ohtani’s Journey to become the First MLB Player to Join the 50/50 Club

by BRIAN CHOI



Image Source: latimes

On August 23, 2024, Shohei Ohtani came up to bat at the bottom of the ninth, two outs, and bases loaded, while the score was tied at 3-3. On the first pitch he sees from a lefty reliever, Ohtani crushes that ball and wins the game for the Dodgers that night with a walk-off grand slam. It was not just the first time in Ohtani’s career where he hit a walk off home run, and a grand slam at that, he also became the sixth player in history to join the 40/40 club that day. The 40/40 club is already a very prestigious club only to a handful of players including Ronaldo Acuna Jr. and Barry Bonds. However, with thirty or so games left Ohtani has a chance of being the first 50/50 player in the history of baseball. On top of this, Ohtani has a great chance at making other history in baseball as well. To start off, he already made history before the season even started when he signed a 10-year \$700 million contract with the Dodgers which was the largest contract in sports history. On top of this, Ohtani has won his second American League MVP last year and if he wins the National League MVP this year with the Dodgers, not only will he be joining a handful of players who won MVP in both leagues. He would also be the second player to win consecutive MVPs with two different teams after Barry Bonds and the first player to win MVP whilst playing as a full time DH.

As of now it is safe to say that Ohtani will be the National League MVP for the 2024 season. Ohtani currently leads the National League in WAR (6.6), – a key stat voters look for when voting for MVP – OPS (.994), Home Runs (41), OPS+ (175), and not to mention he’s a member of the 40/40 club at the fastest pace in history.

Ohtani has already secured his spot in the history books. Being a two-way player people have always wondered what he could accomplish if he had only focused on one of those things.

This year, he has given us the answer. After undergoing Tommy John surgery, Ohtani has decided to take a rest from pitching this year and focus solely on hitting and the results are clear. He is on pace to win his 3rd MVP Award and has joined the 40/40 club and even possibly be the first player to join the 50/50 club.

which is relatively tall compared to other fencers. Therefore, he uses his height and his extremely long wingspan as a weapon by upsetting the opponent's timing of attacks by countering their attacks. In addition, he is known for his great skill sets which helps him to defend from the opponent's attack. But this does not mean that he isn't athletic and strong, but his best advantages we can tell would be the ones mentioned above.

Cheung Ka Long Gets Another Gold in Paris

by MINSEOP CHIN



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One of my favorite Hong Kong fencers, Cheung Ka Long, managed to secure his gold medal spot in the 2024 Paris Olympics two times in a row after winning the gold in 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Cheung is the first one in Hong Kong history to ever achieve this. In the semi finals, he met Iimura Kazuki, one of the Japanese fencers who had a great performance in the Men's Team Foil match which led to Japan achieving gold. Cheung was able to easily beat him by 15:11. In the finals, he met the Italian fencer Filippo Macchi again for 2 years in a row after beating him in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics finals. It was a fierce match between the two elite fencers going to the score 14:14. The last action began, both fencers attacked and managed to get the lights on. It seemed like both fencers simultaneously attacked together which led the referee to the VAR. After a while, the point went to Cheung due to the preparation rule and this point gave Cheung a new achievement for the History of Hong Kong fencing.

In fencing, there are three subsequent subjects: Foil, Saber, and Epee. Foil, which Cheung plays, is known for obtaining points by attacking the upper body of the opponents excluding the arms and heads. Therefore, in order to attack and obtain the point, you have to be intelligent and think wisely order to win as there are limited spots to attack unlike other fencing subjects such as Saber in which we can hit the opponent on every upper side of the body and Epee which we can attack every part of their opponent's body including their shoes. Consequently, Cheung Ka Long is best fit for Foil due to the fact that he is best known for his intelligence. He is roughly about 193 cm tall,

BOOK REVIEW: *The Wager* by David Grann

by GEON GO

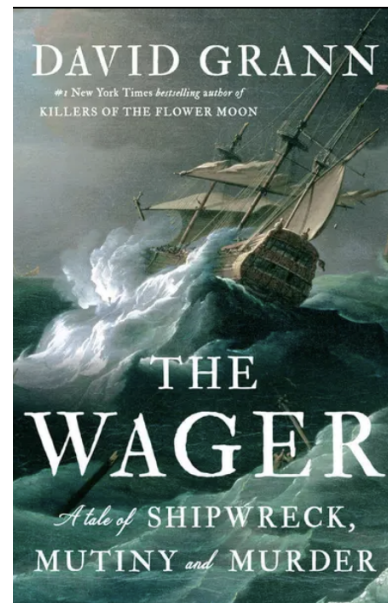


Image Source: David Grann

The Wager is a non-fiction novel based on a true story of an English ship that happened in the 1700s. The author, David Grann, was inspired to write this book by the documented journey as a midshipman on The Wager, which Jhon Byron wrote. This book has received many favorable reviews for describing the characters' psychology, desire, and selfishness in a very realistic way when enormous amounts of treasures are placed in front of them that can lead them to success.

On January 28, 1742, an old wrecking ship was washed up to the coast of Brazil. There were thirty men alive that hadn't eaten anything for weeks. The survivors introduced themselves as His Majesty's Ship The Wager's sailors, which was the Royal Navy of Britain. They explained that they were shipwrecked on an island off the South coast of Chile, on a mission to capture the Spanish ship that was filled with tons of gold, called "the prize of all the ocean."

Six months later after the thirty men were treated as heroes and royal soldiers, another wrecked ship drifted to the coast

of Brazil. There were three men alive, more starving and weakened than the thirty men drifted before. The three men's story was very different from what the thirty men told. They told people that the thirty men who introduced themselves as Royal Navy were murderous mutineers, who took over the ship after killing all the British soldiers of *The Wager*. To conceal the truth, the mutineers start slaughtering all witnesses, and people now distrust each other, not knowing who to trust.

The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny, and Murder is a historical non-fiction book that was published on April 18, 2023, written by David Grann. *The Wager* is not an easy book to read for a beginner, because how the author describes and illustrates of characters' anguish is very profound and complicated.

BOOK REVIEW: *Remembrance of Earth's Past* by Liu Cixin

by JIHOON CHOI

"All evidence points to the same conclusion: physics has never existed, and will never exist."

– Three Body Problem, Liu Cixin

After Ye Wenji presses the button to reveal Earth's location, Trisolarians, an advanced civilization with 3 chaotic suns, makes Earth their target for colonization. Because it would take them 400 years to reach the solar system, Trisolarians have devised a clever plan to stop science research on Earth. Without any possible breakthroughs, is it possible for Earth to survive the invasion?

The *Remembrance of Earth's Past*, recently made into a Netflix show, is a trilogy written over ten years ago by Liu Cixin. Unlike the show, the books don't use jump scare, grotesque images, or the other schlock hollywood tactics. Yet it is still able to pull out that silent gasp out of you.

Though most might call it an alien invasion story, it expands far more than that. Ranging from stories revolving around Earth, to planets and human spaceships hundreds of light years away, countless fresh twists and plots will reveal themselves, becoming overwhelming and hard to bear at times.

A central idea of this trilogy is that "we are not alone in the universe". Later on, we are subjected to an even more dangerous proposal: that we are living in a "Dark Forest". In this dark forest, every civilization has to exterminate everything they see, or it would be them who would be annihilated. The only option is to become silent destroyers.

If you consider our universe as being full of other life that understands this hypothesis, all civilization would remain silent, even if they were capable of transmission. Humanity is mostly depicted as ignorant beings in the trilogy, and this resonates closely to us in real life. We have been so fascinated with the idea of extraterrestrial life, continuously sending transmission waves and signals to reveal all our secrets. But we have never considered the consequences.

The trilogy beautifully incorporates many different topics from science, astronomy, to sociology, and history that many people would find interesting. It will remind you of why humanity should develop intellectually, and the book might even prepare us for future societal challenges.

If you are looking for a book with genres that contains science, philosophy, and cosmic horror, or is unsatisfied with the show, I highly recommend reading *Remembrance of Earth's Past*.

Resurrection of Oasis(Band)

by WOJOO KIM



Image Source: NYT Times

On August 26, the SNS account of Oasis members posted the date and time of "something" out of nowhere. People have assumed that it was a date for the band's reunion. Right after, the Gallagher brothers officially announced that they would reunite once again like the glory days of the past and would have a Oasis UK tour live concert in 2025. In the 1980s many young people enjoyed the "Rave" culture. The rave culture is something where people do things like being on ecstasy (a drug that gives you extreme happiness), having a party with louder music in bigger places and dancing all night with other people. At that time in England, the rave was an exit from the heavy atmosphere of the British due to Margaret Thatcher, one of the Prime Ministers of the United Kingdom, whose length of her reign became longer and longer. But in the summer of 1989, a young girl died due to taking ecstasy while doing a rave party. Due to this incident, the rave culture's reputation worsened and the government cracked down on having large parties outside. Of the downfall of rave, people who enjoyed rave in the past made a new genre by fusing music styles known as Rock and a Dance and made "Madchester". The Gallagher Brothers loved the Madchester genre, which was the reason why they wanted to form a band. After the downfall of Madchester due to having the same problem with rave parties, the American rock band Nirvana who was very popular in the world at that time also took over England. There were no such British bands that could fight against Nirvana. Then suddenly Oasis was formed taking England back and making the Britpop boom.

Oasis was formed in 1991 and led by the Gallagher brothers. From 1994 to 2009 every 7 albums they made were top of the British music charts. They even got the nickname “The Next Beatles”. Their music was so impactful it inspired almost every band in Britain. They were talented but there was a problem among the members. The drug addict and Gallagher’s brothers fight made their teamwork worse. Liam Gallagher, the main songwriter of the band, even made a 3rd album while overdosing on cocaine. According to him, after making the 3rd album everyone around him said everything was good even though he thought the 3rd album was the worst music that he made. Gallagher brothers kept fighting over time and it eventually led to the breakup of the band in 2009.

Oasis confirmed that they will reunite and do a UK tour, after 15 years. They played a key role in the Britpop movement and they couldn’t be forgotten in the 1990s. The reunion is significant, not just for old fans, but also for anyone familiar with their music, for example “Don’t Look Back In Anger”, which is one of the iconic songs of Oasis. The return of Oasis would be an important and historic event in music history.

more fatigue), dehydration (caffeine is a diuretic that promotes fluid loss), etc. But long term effects can be life threatening. Large amounts of caffeine consumption can lead to ‘caffeine intoxication’, which is rare but very dangerous. Caffeine intoxication is associated with cardiac arrests, brain swelling, kidney failure and many other severe symptoms.

These life-threatening cautions have become a reality. A healthy teenager in the US passed away because of a cardiac attack, which happened after consuming McDonald’s latte, a bottle of Mountain Dew, and an energy drink in a span of 2 hours. It was labeled “caffeine-induced cardiac event causing a probable arrhythmia”. In addition, he didn’t have any pre-existing heart conditions.

So should we stop consuming caffeine for the rest of our life? Well, it is actually safe at 400 milligrams per day (for adults) and for teenagers, less than 100 milligrams.

Be sure to check nutrient facts before consuming them. Staying healthy is definitely more important than cramming exams.=)

The Dreadful Energy of Energy Drinks

by ANNA PARK



Image Source: CaffeineInformer

Have you ever tried energy drinks to draw away your drowsiness and recharge your energy? Or are you reaching for it right now to increase concentration while catching up on your homework? Well, you better not because you may experience the dreadful energy of energy drinks.

Before we talk about how bad energy drinks are, what exactly are ‘energy drinks’? What makes them so ‘bad’ for our health?

Energy drinks are drinks that often contain large amounts of caffeine, as well as containing ‘legal stimulants’ like taurine and guarana. It is usually marketed by its ‘effects’, which are improving concentration, alertness and focus. Turns out these marketing worked extremely well, since Red Bull alone racked up sales of 7.34 billion dollars. However, experts worry about these ‘energy drinks’ in fame because of its danger from high caffeine.

Short-term bad effects of excessive caffeine are rapid heart-beat, anxiety, and sleeping disorder (which paradoxically causes

Electric Cars

by IDAM SUH

Many car manufacturers are putting their efforts into converting from internal combustion engine cars to electric cars and building electric car lineups. Still, there are some discussions about electric cars.

The electric cars have longer wheelbase to obtain the space for battery packs, which generally could mean more space. Also, since there are much fewer parts, we can usually see frunks in the electric cars, which is the small space in the front of the car where the engine is for the internal combustion engine cars. There are fewer parts to change such as engine oil.

However, there are some cons of electric cars. First, they are dependent on resources such as lithium. Next, even though it has a lower possibility of having a fire on it than gasoline-diesel engine cars, it is harder to put out the fire and it could spread largely in a short time. Lastly, electric cars generally have higher prices than gasoline-diesel engine cars for now. Additionally, although it has less parts to change, it would cost a lot of money for the owner when the battery pack’s lifespan is done. Also, there are some people who have motion sickness when they ride the electric car because of regenerative braking.

Some governments are putting their efforts into increasing the supply of more electric cars. They encourage consumers to buy electric cars by lessening the burden of the money for buying the electric cars. For example, in Korea, the government determines the support subsidy for the ranges of price of the electric cars. However, the price of electric cars that the government supports is getting lower in Korea. Consumers don’t need to pay the manufacturer the amount of money that the government supports. Other than supporting money for consumers, the consumers of electric cars have benefits for tax.

Electric cars have both pros and cons and scientists are trying to develop the technology to overcome the barriers of electric cars. If the technology to make batteries that can put out fire earlier than now and develops and the problem of price of battery packs is solved, it would be a better option for future mobilities. Also, it would be even better if it becomes less dependent on resources .

He is now in the Saudi League. When he was in Manchester United, he was an awesome player. He scored about 900 goals until now. Alan Shearer: He was the player who scored the most in the Premier League. He scored 260 goals, and this is an overwhelming number for the second player's—213 goals.

I think many soccer players like these make soccer more entertaining and could attract many people around the world. Soccer is a fun sport.

History of Soccer

by KYLE LEE



Image Source: Flicker

The first soccer game started in England in the 19th century. Soccer was spread throughout Europe. August Hermann and Konrad Koch, The school teacher, presented soccer to many German people around the 1870s. The first football association was formed in England in 1863. Rules were established, but the soccer ball was heavy and big.

With the industrialization, soccer started to develop. Good players got good pay, and the public was the usual crowd. Domestic leagues became commonplace around the world. In Germany, the German League was totally amateur until when Bundesliga was introduced in 1963/1964. 64 teams from Western Germany applied for participation in the Bundesliga.

In the USA, there was a conflict between American football and association football. In the end, “football” became “soccer”. Two professional soccer leagues started in 1967, the United Soccer Association and the National Professional Soccer League. After this event, interest in soccer increased a lot significantly in the USA. And in 1994, it was able to host the 1994 FIFA World Cup.

After cancellations in 1942 and 1946 due to World War II - the world cup has taken place every four years since. It made soccer more famous and also made the Euro, Copa America, and Asian Cup.

In the premier league, there are the best players and the tradition is lasting until now. Haaland: He is a living legend in Manchester city. He scored lots of goals even though he is very young. He is very strong and he is about 195cm tall. Christiano Ronaldo: He was in the premier League before.

How Are Farmers Adapting to Climate Change?

by HANNAH YI

Farmers are the backbone of our food supply. Without them, we wouldn't have vegetables, fruits, grain, wheat, and flour that we eat every day. However, farmers are currently facing challenges in estimating planting seasons due to unpredictable weather conditions.

You may have noticed the extreme changes in weather recently: scorching summers, short autumn and spring, and freezing winters. As a result, farmers struggle to distinguish a consistent weather pattern, which is a key function for successful crop harvesting.

As a solution, farmers are regularly changing planting and harvesting times. They also implemented a greenhouse farming system, where farmers grow all their crops in a greenhouse to avoid getting affected by the inconsistent climate. Some farmers turned to the crop rotation system, an old farming technique from Medieval Europe. While the method was initially used due to a lack of nutrients and inconsistent weather, modern farmers mostly use it to deal with erratic weather patterns.

In conclusion, as time progresses, farmers are slowly adapting to new farming practices in response to the effects of climate change. We should acknowledge and appreciate the farmers for ensuring a consistent food supply and understanding the gravity of global warming. If weather patterns become even more erratic than they are right now, farmers may find it more difficult to adapt, which could potentially result in worldwide food shortages.

Mystery of Crop Circles

by SHAWN JEONG

When you see a weird shape of circle in a field, what would you think it is? This weird circle is called a crop circle. A Crop circle is burned in a certain direction in a field or rice paddy. Even though it is large, it finishes in half a day. It began to appear in the 1970s, in North America and European countries. But people never create this crop circle. But who created the

crop circles? People or scientists think UFOs create the crop circle but the result will not be accurate. It's still a mystery up to now since the 21st century. PhaseIV the science-fiction film was the first film to depict crop circles. Researchers think the crop circle is linked with old folklore tales. In the 17th century, there was a woodcut called Mowing-devil. It depicts a devil with scythe mowing for circular designs. Jim Schnabel mentioned the crop circle is historical precedent. Because the stalks were cut down, the circle is not bent. Some paranormal advocates think crop circles are caused in different ways. Such as, ball lightning, pollution, global warming, etc. . . The Ministry of Defence, which is a ministerial government, sketches a spaceship that creates the crop circle. Crop circle had been a mystery for 54 years. Nobody knew what crop circles were. It will take a long time to figure out the mystery. And I really hope that mystery will be solved and people know the secret of crop circles.

Deep Fake

by ISABELLE JANG

Did you know that Korean teenagers are using deepfakes for sexual crimes?

First of all word "Deepfake" means combined "Deep learning" and "Fake" , refers to a technology that uses artificial intelligence (AI) to manipulate a person's face or voice and synthesize into digital content such as video, photos, and audio files.

The creation of deep fake videos began on a chat app called "Telegram," where Korean students created and sold videos. Currently, it has gone beyond producing and distributing fake videos targeting individuals such as politicians and celebrities, and has become a tool for sexual crimes, especially against minors in their teens.

From January to September, the National Police Agency has investigated 513 cases of deep fake sex crimes and has arrested 318 suspects. Among them, 251 were teenagers, accounting for 78.9%.

Deepfake technology, as well as other innovative technologies, always have side effects. Now is the time to think about how to prepare for the expected side effects before the technology becomes active.
