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Roll up, roll up! Welcome to this month's edition of Tacsai Magazine... we've a bumper issue for you this month lads and lassies!

Summer is just around the corner and what could brighten up your day more than a bit of sunshine hah? I can tell what, Alan Kelly out of government and only barely – I mean by the skin of his teeth – hanging onto his Tipperary seat is bound to give you a little chuckle, if not a rolling-about-the-floor, full-on LOL.

But it's not all fun and games here this month as the fake driver story stunned the industry and the country last month. Not surprisingly, we focus on the story itself and the fall-out, starting on page 6.

Uber, still stung by their failure in Dublin, are moving their base of operations to Limerick and plan to build a 3 million euro 'centre of excellence'. Excellence in what we don't quite know... but needless to say local drivers down Treaty County way are

none too happy and they've been having their say!

Another attack on a driver in the capital has prompted us to, again, look at ways the government could help to make drivers safer while they go about their work, meanwhile vandals have made one northsider's life hell. Read his story on page 22.

We hear from Taxi Watch's founder as he revealed all on TV3 last month about his own battle with depression and we talk to Tommy Barton from the DTA, who has been getting great feedback from various politicians and Dublin City Councillors regarding his rickshaws.

We have the World News as usual and we talk to TaxiTax about their great offers and Dial A Cab also, who are on the look-out for new drivers.

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It's the little things in life that get us by...

Safe travels!

Stephen Young
Editor

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ROE HIGHLIGHTS SAFETY CONCERNS

Fake driver prompts further questions

The head of one of Ireland's largest transport groups says until now only "lip service" has been paid to concerns about passenger safety when it comes to who is behind the wheel of a taxi.

"The app you look at that gives you a driver's name, their address, and a photograph... makes it terrible easy for copycat instances to occur," said Tony Roe, chairperson of the National Transport Assembly - which acts as a forum for taxi drivers, bus drivers, train drivers, and others involved in the transport sector.

"You can run it through a computer, or off your phone, and do yourself up some ready-made identification."

Mr Roe's allegation follows the arrest of a fake taxi driver in Dublin at the weekend.

The man, using a fake taxi sign and door stickers, was taking a female passenger home when he was pulled over by officers.

Gardaí discovered that the bogus taxi had no tax or valid NCT and that the driver had no public service vehicle licence or insurance, and was, in fact, banned from driving by the courts.

The meter was running with a paying female

passenger inside the 'cab' who was totally unaware that the taxi and its driver were fake.

The incident has prompted calls for tighter regulation of the taxi industry, and is only the latest incident, according to Mr Roe, involving fraudulent drivers.

"We had a meeting with [Transport] Minister Paschal Donohoe six weeks ago and, ironically, we brought up this issue [of fake drivers] at the meeting.

"We showed him various confirmations of stories like this, and asked him to introduce legislation for ensure the safety of the public, as well as taxi workers.

"What's been happening with fraudulent and bogus drivers... [The Government] pays lip service to it with that app and then they walk away... and the cancer spreads."

Mr Roe said that many taxi drivers wanted tighter controls to be introduced, and that "serious deterrents" were needed to discourage bogus drivers.

"We're looking for increased penalties for those impersonating taxi drivers - with a minimum prison sentence of at least 12 months and a fine upwards of 10,000."

He added: "For us, it's about safety aspect. I've ten



grandchildren and some of them are at that age now where they're going out.

"If they're getting a taxi, and I can't get one of my friends to pick them up, I tell them to interview the driver to make sure he is legit.

"That's not something you should have to do in this day and age."

Another side of the coin is in-car safety and an abundance of information is still a massive problem for drivers.

Tacsaí Magazine has highlighted this – many times before. With the best response from the authorities so far being mandatory CCTV in all cars.

This proposal was since shot down by the representative bodies.

What Tony Roe is proposing, in his meeting with the Minister for Transport Pascal Donoghue, was the removal of drivers' names and addresses from both the Driver Check app and the dashboard.

"In our view, it is extremely dangerous that potential criminals have access to such information.

"In our meeting with the Minister, Pascal Donoghue, we highlighted this, and he assured us that the removal of driver's addresses was being dealt with on the app.

"We believe that the driver's plate number is sufficient. We want to ensure both the driver and the public's safety on this issue.

"There have been cases before where the media and Tacsaí Magazine have highlighted cases where drivers have been attacked and those drivers were told by their attackers not to go to the Gardaí as their names addresses were known and there would be reprisals!

"This is unacceptable. And it is something that needs to be addressed."

Tony added: "We had a productive meeting with the Minister so we hope now that the changes will be made and drivers can feel that bit safer in their cars.

"Like in the case that Tacsaí Magazine highlighted before; where two drivers from the same company were both attacked and warned not to go the Gardaí – we need to prevent these kinds of things from happening. Only having the driver's plate number on the app and dash would go a long way to helping the situation.

"It's as simple as this; you don't see the Gardaí walking around with their names and addresses on their badge. It's just their badge number. And for a good reason! It should be no different for taxi drivers!"

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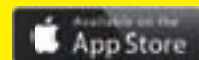
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5,000 RANDOM CHECKS CARRIED OUT AS FAKE DRIVER CAUGHT

Man charged in worrying case



Gardaí in the Dublin Metropolitan Region traffic corps stopped what they described as a bogus taxi at Bride Street in Dublin 8 as he was driving a woman home.

The driver had no tax, insurance or NCT and was also driving without a licence. The man, who is in his 30s, was arrested and brought to Kevin Street Garda station. He was later released and is due to appear before Dublin District Court later this month charged in connection with the investigation.

Neither gardaí nor the National Transport Authority, which regulates taxis, would comment further on the case as the man had been charged.

It is understood the driver in question had previously been Garda vetted and licensed as a taxi driver. The vehicle in question is also understood to have been previously licensed, but it was not at the time of detection.

A spokeswoman for the NTA said it had significantly ramped up its compliance team after new legislation came into force in 2014. It carried out about 5,000 random checks a month, not just on taxi ranks or in cities, but all over the country. "It's pretty busy and it's pretty full-on," she said.

The NTA prosecuted 99 individuals last year where the

vehicle, the driver or both were not licensed. This was normally rectified on detection, the spokeswoman said.

Joe Herron, president of the Irish Taxi Drivers' Federation, said taxi representative bodies did not like such stories "one little bit" but they were "totally unusual".

"This has happened so rarely I can't remember the last time that it happened," he said. "I know the Rape Crisis Centre issued a warning to women but I think that's very much over the top, to be honest.

"There are, I think, around 30 enforcement officers. Some of them work directly for the NTA and some of them are on contract. Between them and the guards, this doesn't happen - you're not going to get away with it."

The federation has "a couple of thousand" members, Mr Herron said.

He said intending passengers would recognise a legitimate taxi from its roof sign and number and the driver identification displayed inside the car on the dashboard. They could also download the NTA's Driver Check app to verify a driver's details on their

The sinister incident with the fake driver happened in February, when a driver purporting to be a taxi and using fake signage was arrested by gardaí as he was driving a female passenger home.

The driver was pulled over by members of the capital's Traffic Corps who became suspicious of the car, a silver Skoda Octavia, which had a fake roof sign and 'Dublin Taxi' door stickers.

The authorities then discovered that the vehicle had no tax or valid NCT and that the driver had also been banned from driving by the courts.

He was driving without any licence or insurance and displaying a taxi sign without having a public service vehicle licence. The meter was running with a paying female passenger in the "cab". She was totally unaware that the taxi and its driver were bogus. The driver was immediately arrested at the scene and charged.

Responding to the incident, Ellen O'Malley-Dunlop, outgoing CEO of the Dublin Rape Crisis Centre, said it was a stark warning to all taxi users to be careful who they hailed on the streets.

"One of the things that we would always suggest to anybody getting into a taxi is that they make sure that they

have all the registered information," she said.

"If you have to travel alone in a taxi you need to take the taxi man's number and name and in the earshot of the taxi driver you should ring home or to someone at your final destination that you're in a taxi and you'll be home in 20 minutes or wherever. You should tell them the name of the driver and taxi number.

"This bogus taxi man may not have been out to attack the girl, he may have simply been out trying to make money. We don't know at this stage but you have to take the proper precautions to make sure you are being carried home by a legitimate driver," she said.

Ms O'Malley-Dunlop added that people need to be aware that there are perpetrators that want to take advantage of people in vulnerable situations.

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LIMERICK DRIVERS PUT PRESSURE ON UBER

General Manager denies ride-sharing will come to the city.

The general manager of Uber in Ireland has denied claims that local taxi drivers will be out of work if the firm brings ride-sharing to the city.

Jude Williams of Xpert-Treaty Cabs based in Davis Street was speaking on RTE's Today with Sean O'Rourke, and said if Uber was allowed to operate a ride-sharing service in Limerick – allowing regular drivers to pick up passengers for a fee, it could see 20,000 drivers out of work.

But Kieran Harte, rejected this claim, saying: "There are no numbers I have seen that taxi numbers, as the gentleman said, are falling down in matters of weeks. We have been in Los Angeles for five years now, and the ground transportation market has grown by 500% there. Taxis have only felt an impact of less than 10% there."

"It is hardly controversial," he added. "It is used if someone who owns a car, and wishes to drive their fellow citizen from point A to point B."

Uber is on the way to creating 300 new jobs in Limerick, with the setting up of its 'centre of excellence' in Thomas Street, servicing Europe, the Middle-East and Africa.

But Mr Williams said: "If they do come up with the jobs, it's great news. But they could be putting 20,000 taxis out of work. If they work the way they work in the United States, they will wipe out the taxi industry within weeks, rather than months."

Uber currently does not operate a ride-sharing service in Ireland – only partnering with some taxi drivers in Dublin.

But Mr Harte says it is something he would love to see here, confirming the firm is in debate with both government, and local authorities.

He also disclosed workers at Uber's new centre of excellence in Limerick can earn from €30,000 upwards. Meanwhile, Harte wants to see a change in the approach of the taxi regulator so he can bring the service to Limerick "as soon as I possibly can".

Harte was one of the keynote speakers at the Limerick Chamber's first annual Business Strategy conference.

Uber – whose app connects people needing to make a car journey with drivers – has opened its European centre of excellence in Limerick, and will employ between 300 and 400 in Thomas Street.

The Limerick Leader revealed last month Uber's top brass are



hoping to allow local drivers use the service later this year.

But to do this, Mr Harte says the approach of the taxi regulator – which will ultimately decide whether to allow Uber on Limerick's streets – needs to change.

"Regulators see their role and their job is to look after, to help and maintain the industries they are paid to regulate. They don't see it as their responsibility being to unlock the huge economic opportunities which they can make for the local communities and the people.

"They don't feel it is their responsibility to open up the opportunities that will enable people to have cheaper and more reliable transport. And they don't feel it is their responsibility necessarily to solve some of the problems we have with city's congestion."

Australian native Mr Harte said staff at Uber "need to believe passionately in what we do – so much that we cannot accept taking no for an answer", he told the conference.

Asked by event host Matt Cooper whether he felt regulation was a bad thing, Mr Harte answered: "No".

"Uber believes we absolutely need to regulate. But regulation

where we need to be right now. Not the regulation of the past," he said, pointing out the length of time it can take for taxi drivers to gain licences now.

"We believe to work [as an Uber driver], a driver should have a full licence without any drink driving or dangerous driving convictions. We believe every driver should have a full garda background check, every car needs to be insured to be made safe for the people in it, and we believe every car needs to be vehicle checked and road worthy," he added.

The use of Uber by members of the public has proven controversial in many cities, particularly Paris and London, where taxi drivers have staged protests, accusing the firm of decimating their trade, and outlining safety fears.

But the company has argued that many taxi drivers have in fact moved over to the Uber platform.

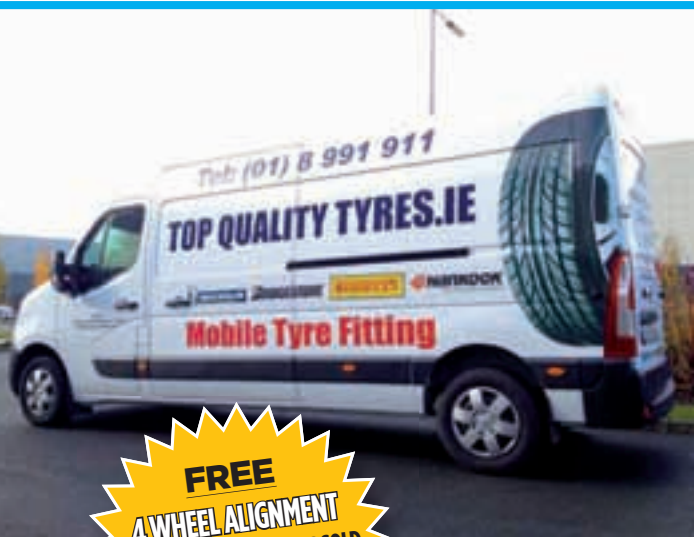
At present, Uber operates a ride-sharing service in Dublin, but has yet to develop this outside the capital in this country.

Mr Cooper asked Mr Harte when he expects Limerick to be added to the 350 global cities where Uber cars are present.

He said: "As soon as I possibly can is the best answer."

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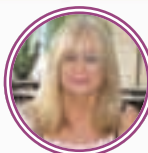
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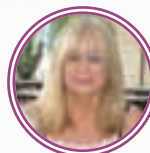
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VANDALS MAKE DRIVER'S LIFE HELL



“Someone want to ruin me financially” says Skerries man

A taxi operator whose cars have been repeatedly vandalised for over a year has told how his life has become unbearable.

Skerries man Declan Walsh runs a small cab business in the town. He has installed security cameras, as well as automatic lights and alarms at his home, but the attacks continue. Last Saturday vandals struck again and burned out his car outside his house.

“It all started on January 15 last year. I had a Seat Alhambra at the time and I left it in the car park of a pub overnight and when I went back to it there was sugar all around the fuel cap.

“Someone had poured sugar into the tank and it cost me to get the tank removed and cleaned out and put back in,” Mr Walsh told the Herald.

“A month later I got a call from one of the other drivers asking me had I seen my car. When I went out to the front I could see that all the tyres had been slashed and there was a can of paint thrown over it.”

Seven months passed without incident before the attacks escalated.

“I heard the car alarm going off and when I went out to the car every window except the windscreen had been smashed and two cans of paint had been thrown into it, destroying the front and

back seats.

“It was going to cost too much to fix so the insurance company wrote it off and I had to buy another car,” Mr Walsh said.

He bought a 05 Mercedes S320 last November, and six weeks ago an attempt was made to burn it out.

CCTV images show a young man, wearing a hoodie, coming into the driveway and breaking a rear passenger fly window. He is seen pouring a flammable liquid into the car and igniting it.

“I couldn’t claim off the insurance again because my premium would go up by around €10,000 so I got second-hand parts, such as seats and a roof liner and door card and had them fitted and the car valeted,” said Mr Walsh.

“But on Saturday night I had the car outside the house and someone set it alight again, and this time it was destroyed. I am absolutely sickened, and it is taking its toll financially and personally.

“Someone wants me off the road and ruin me financially. It has affected my family life too. My 14-year-old daughter can’t come and stay with me any more because her mother is nervous about her safety, and that is perfectly understandable,” he said.

Gardai are following definite leads as well as making progress with CCTV footage at Mr Walsh’s house in the Mourne View estate.



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Peter said: "Everyone is wondering, "Where is my paper tax clearance cert" "I was told you have it on you at all times in case of a routine inspection".

"You are rooting around your car and house looking for it. You are panicking that you will not be able to book the car in for its NCT.

"Well to let you all know, the paper tax clearance cert is now gone and it has been replaced by the new eTax Clearance cert, but what is the eTax Clearance cert?

"A Tax Clearance Certificate is confirmation from Revenue that a person's tax affairs are in order at the date of issue of the certificate. eTax Clearance was introduced in December 2015 with 3 key changes: 1 - The processing of all tax clearance applications, certificates and verification of them, is now all in electronic format, there are no more paper based certs. 2 - Where a tax payer is found to be non-compliant with their tax affairs, the tax clearance cert is rescinded. This includes outstanding local property tax. 3 - You now get a Tax Clearance Access Number which you can give to NCT, SGS & the NTA

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"Many of you may have received a letter recently from the Revenue stating that you owe the dreaded "preliminary tax".

"You think to yourself that you are up to date, you have filed all of your outstanding tax returns and paid what was owed, so what are they looking for now.

"Well unfortunately for you, you are classed as being self-employed, and different to a PAYE worker, the Revenue wants their tax in advance from you.

"This year when you file your 2015 tax return, they will also want you to pay some tax off your 2016 tax bill. But how can you calculate that, sure the tax year isn't even over yet I hear you ask. Well you have to estimate it and the Revenue issue rules and guidelines on how to calculate it correctly."

So who are TaxiTax and how can they help you? TaxiTax are small accounts practice that specialise in taxi driver accounts and tax returns.

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TIME FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO STEP UP AND PROTECT ITS OWN CITIZENS WHILST THEY GO ABOUT THEIR WORK!

Tacsaí Magazine's spotlight shines, once again, on a vicious attack.

Another edition – and another vicious assault on a man going about his job. No, not that office worker or teacher that WOULD have been front page news had it happened... no, another on the ever-growing list of brutal attacks on taxi drivers.

The story has maybe become so commonplace that the shock value is no longer there? Maybe the problem is societies'? Or maybe it's something else?... whatever it is; the powers that be need to come up with a tangible solution, and not one that costs the taxi driver money out of his/her own pocket. No, this is where the government needs to step up and protect its own citizens whilst they go about their work.

An award-winning taxi driver was left shaken after he was attacked by three thugs armed with a hammer and blade near his Dublin home.

Paul Cullen (52) was working in north Dublin when he stopped to pick up a fare in Finglas.

After a short journey to the Poppintree area one of the men produced a blade and demanded that he hand over money. Brave Paul - who had a little over €100 cash on him at the time - refused to give them anything.

He struggled with one of the men as the thug slashed the

back of his head and another hit him around the head with what he suspects was a hammer. The attack happened shortly after 8.30pm on Thursday. Just two hours earlier a taxi man in his 60s was also robbed by three men. The Herald understands that a sum of money was taken and that the driver also injured in the incident.

Paul, who has worked as a cabbie for 10 years, said it was the first time he had been assaulted while on the job. Last year, he was nominated by his customers for the 98fm Pride of Dublin awards and walked away with the title of Best Taxi Driver.

He has now been left with bruising to his face and cuts on the back of his head.

Last month, he returned to work despite the attack.

"I'll be nervous for a few weeks, but if I don't go straight back I never will," the dad-of-three said. "I'm shook enough, but it could have been a lot worse."

"It's the only area of Ballymun that has no CCTV."

The thugs sustained the attack for a short time before they left with just Mr Cullen's smart phone, which he later traced to a bin in a nearby estate.

A garda spokeswoman confirmed that gardai were investigating two robberies of taxi drivers in the Ballymun area.



MAN AWARDED €18,500 AFTER TAXI DRIVER DROVE OVER HIS FOOT

Fabian Wolasewicz had been drinking and got sick in the taximan's car.

A 23-year-old unemployed man was followed by a taxi driver because he did not pay a €140 soilage fee after vomiting in the vehicle, a court was told today.

Circuit Court President Justice Raymond Groarke said taxi driver Anthony Olajude, who had been following closely with his taxi, had, perhaps entirely by accident, run over and injured his left foot.

Judge Groarke, awarding Wolasewicz €18,500 damages against Olajude, said there had been a very direct conflict of evidence between the two as to what had happened in the September 2014 incident, but he preferred the injured man's evidence.

Olajude, of Doire Beag, Oriel Road, Collon, Co Louth, denied driving over Wolasewicz's foot. He claimed Wolasewicz had been very drunk and tried to run away when asked to pay the soilage fee. He alleged Wolasewicz injured his foot when he had fallen while running.

Wolasewicz told the court he had been on a night out with friends in Harcourt Street, Dublin when they stopped Olajude's taxi to go home to Arbour Hill, Dublin. His friends had already left the taxi when he became sick.

He said he removed his shirt to try and wipe up his vomit and, following a request by Olajude to pay a €140 fee, he had told him he did not have such money with him but said if he came to his house at St Margaret's Terrace he would pay him.

Wolasewicz told his barrister, Conor Kearney, that as he could not find enough money at his home he told Olajude he would go to his sister Wioletta's house nearby to get it.

He said Olajude was angry and had driven over his foot while following him in his taxi to Wioletta's house.

He had been shirtless and in shock when he reached his sister's home and had been taken by ambulance to the Mater Hospital in Dublin. His foot had been swollen and bruised and he had suffered lacerations to his knee and elbow when he had fallen. His sister later paid the soilage fee.

Garda Killian Murphy from Bridewell garda station said when he saw Wolasewicz on the night he had noticed that he was "very intoxicated" and unsteady on his feet.

Awarding Wolosewicz €18,500 damages, Judge Groarke said the fact Olajude had twice called gardaí showed, in the court's view, he had been getting more annoyed and thought Walosewicz would manage to escape.



“I STAYED IN MY BEDROOM FOR EIGHT MONTHS”

Taxi Watch founder speaks about his own battle in front of the nation.

An Irish taxi driver has opened up about his personal battle with mental illness, which spurred him to set up a lifesaving group aimed at preventing suicide in his local area.

Kilkenny man Derek Devoy – who we spoke to in this magazine last year – founded Taxi Watch, an initiative which has equipped local taxi drivers with the necessary skills to be able to handle a situation in which a person might be in distress.

The husband and dad opened up about his own four year battle with depression, which inspired him to help others struggling with mental illness.

“I was in an accident in 2010,” Derek told Sunday AM on TV3.

“A drunk driver ran into the back of me and damaged my back.

“I ended up in hospital. I got surgery on my back and after I came out of hospital I went downhill. I felt like everything was getting to me and that everything was getting on top of me. I went for a second operation and I just got worse. The third time I came out of hospital I was just gone.

Derek revealed that he hid his battle from his wife and children because he was worried about unloading his problems on them.

“I stayed in my bedroom for eight months. I couldn’t leave. I wasn’t able.

“I didn’t know what was wrong, I hid it from everybody. I could get up in the morning with the kids. I’d get dressed for work and they’d get dressed for school but as soon as they left I would just get back into bed.

“I’d get up at 5.55pm before my wife came home. I was crying all day and watching TV. I didn’t want to see the kids or do anything. I knew I needed to go and get help,” he said.

Derek revealed that he considered taking his own life during his darkest days before he finally sought help from his GP.

“I thought of everything. There was another suicide in the area and I had heard about it. What happened was the person had taken their life and their partner then lost their house. I was thinking if I insured the house everyone would be fine.

“After I went to counselling, it turned my life around,” he said.

Derek was inspired to set up Taxi Watch when he had to come to the aid of two people attempting to take their own lives in Kilkenny on the same night.

“The first night I was back to work I came across a fellow on the bridge who was threatening to go in.

“There were lads there talking to him and I got out and joined them. I told him ‘Look I know what you’re going through. I’ve gone through it for the last couple of years myself’. He got into the car with me and the Guards came and took him away. An hour later there was another person on the bridge in Kilkenny,” said Derek.

The mental health advocate applied for SafeTalk training within the HSE, which improved his confidence in his ability to communicate with people in distress.

He then convinced 15 local taxi drivers to take on the training, and the group now patrol the local area in an effort to save lives.

“Now we keep an eye on the river. There’s certain spots in Kilkenny that we would know of where people would go. We get out and talk to them and take them to Teac Tom,” he said.

The taxi driver revealed that Teac Tom, a mental health service which provides 24-hour counselling, is a more effective environment than A&E, where people are often left waiting for hours.

“A lot of people have drink taken and it can give them the courage to take their own life. In Teac Tom they get immediate help, but in A&E it can be hours.

“I don’t want any family to go through that. Nobody should have to bury a child,” he said.

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DTA 'SHAW AIN'T GIVING UP!

Barton and Co stay on the case.

Tommy Barton of the DTA has been speaking to us recently about the plague of rickshaws on Dublin streets. In our last edition we ran an editorial, complete with photographic evidence, examining the behaviour of these operators.

Tommy had since been in touch with the Minister for Transport, Dublin City Council members, Fianna Fail and Green Party politicians to seek answers and assurances that the problem is being dealt with.

Fianna Fail's Seán Haughey replied to Tommy: "I am taking the matter up with the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council on your behalf and will be in touch with you again when I have any further news."

Green Party Councillor Ciarán Cuffe said: "It really is a plague, and I am concerned that An Garda Síochána are also not giving the issue enough attention."

While Kevin Meade, Parking Enforcement Officer with Dublin City Council said: "Your letter has created quite a stir with a number of Councillors submitting Council Questions on the matter and a motion on the issue has been submitted to the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee meeting next week. The Council has been in discussions with the NTA for quite a while with a view to drawing up a regulatory framework for rickshaw operations. While a framework for regulation has yet to be agreed, discussions on how to regulate rickshaw operations are at an advanced stage. Currently An Garda Síochána are enforcing rickshaw regulations and have seized many rickshaws and issued fixed charge penalty notices. I will update you further following next week's meeting."

The issue is clearly making some headway with officials. We can only hope the work of the DTA and other bodies can help deal with the problem of these uninsured, unregulated rickshaws.

Meanwhile, a positive news story for the industry this month as the DTA were proud to announce that the remaining funds raised from their recent sticker campaign went to the Rape Crisis Centre.

Tommy said: "We'd like to thank all the taxi drivers who supported our sticker campaign. The money we raised went to the Rape Crisis Centre - it's a very worthy cause and gets little funding. Taxi drivers play a very big part in getting people home safe late at night and especially women in particular, so I would like to thank all the taxi drivers on behalf of the DTA. And the Rape Crisis Centre were delighted with the contribution from Dublin taxi drivers."

"On the matter of the rickshaws; we had a very constructive response from the letter that we sent into Dublin City Council.

"The council is very determined to tackle the problem. We met with the Minister, Pascal Donoghue, recently and I believe we had a very constructive meeting.

"Ed Byrne organised the meeting and we would like to thank Ed on behalf of Dublin Taxi Association for that. We outlined our safety concerns, not only for us and also the public, in relation to this serious problem.

"We discussed many other issues facing the industry right now. Importantly, though, the Minister agreed that something needs to be done to tackle the rickshaw problem, but as we all know we have to wait know with the formation of a new government to see what will be done. Until then, we will keep you informed as always!"



DRIVER BEHAVIOUR COMPLAINTS

NTA RECEIVE LARGE NUMBER OF CALLS

Complaints over taxi driver behaviour made to the National Transport Authority (NTA) accounted for more than half of the total complaints concerning taxis last year.

Among the complaint details released by the National Transport Authority (NTA), were concerns raised by a small number of customers who felt frightened by taxi driver behaviour.

In one case, a hotel worker said that a driver told the worker to f**k off several times, and that he would “see me on Monday night when I am alone”.

As a result of the complaint, the NTA issued the driver with a reminder of his duties and responsibilities as a taxi driver.

In response to a Freedom of Information request, the NTA confirmed that the number of taxi complaints last year totalled 928, compared to 952 in 2014.

The detailed breakdown shows that complaints about taxi driver behaviour totalled 491 last year, or 53 per cent of complaints, with 53 complaints about vehicle condition.

One passenger wrote to the NTA to complain that there was hair literally everywhere in a very dirty taxi, “and a smell I can only describe as days-old sweat”.

Another passenger, complaining about the condition of a taxi, said, “the car was like a fridge and the seats felt damp. When I got out of the car at Hatch St, Dublin 2, I realised that the car was missing the entire large glass panel at the rear that forms part of the boot underneath the rear windscreen”.

The outcome was that the vehicle was repaired and then inspected. The NTA stated: “All found to be in order. Advice given.”

The second most frequent reason for complaint related to fares, accounting for 297, or 32 per cent of complaints. The NTA also received 83 complaints relating to ‘hiring matters’ and four in relation to identification.

In only 2 per cent of complaints did the NRA issue the driver with a fixed payment notice, while in another 2 per cent drivers were given warnings concerning their behaviour.

The figures show that in 58 per cent of complaints, no further action was taken, while in 29 per cent of cases, advice was given to the drivers by the NTA. The NTA said that 202 complaints were referred to the Garda last year.

However, the NRA stressed that the complaints referred are not based on the gravity of the offence, but the nature of the complaint and the powers of the Garda to deal with them.

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The Alan Kelly Story

If “power is a drug” then Alan Kelly almost lost his dealer’s number.

It’s been over a month since the former Minister for Public Transport squeaked past his rivals into the final seat in Tipperary after what was a disastrous campaign for both him and his party.

The Labour candidates were swiftly shown the door throughout many constituencies on February 26th after a string of broken promises to the electorate left them facing a near-total wipeout at the ballot box.

Leader Joan Burton only narrowly hung onto her seat in Dublin West too as the voters there let the former Tanaiste know just how angry they were. The party of James Connolly were seen to have abandoned those working people that had always given their support. Not that their government partners, Fine Gael, fared much better... Enda’s crew now down to just 50 seats and left holding sweaty hands with their dearest of enemies - Fianna Fail.

The Independents surged, as did Sinn Féin. It was an election that brought sweeping change to the Dail.

But one man will have - for all the wrong reasons - held the attention of the taxi industry throughout that results weekend. The inimitable Alan Kelly.

Having given the interview that stunned the nation in early February to the Sunday Independent in which he stated that “power is a drug... and it suits me” and “you will never interview a more ambitious person than me”, Kelly told the rest of the country what the taxi industry already knew.

And as Ireland looked on in disgust as “AK47” got re-elected, so too did the taxi industry.

Here is a man who hammered through a raft of unpopular changes in his time as Minister for Public Transport. A man who, openly, scoffed at the representative bodies and their leaders.

When I interviewed him myself in November 2013 I was amazed as he blasted the industry for “not even being able to agree amongst themselves”. When I asked if that was the on the record? He replied: “Yeah, sure, whatever...”

You know what? He was right about something...

As a journalist, 13 years in the business, and having worked for two different national newspapers I had never interviewed anyone as “ambitious” as Alan Kelly.

I remember the start of the interview, before we had started my already-agreed list of questions, myself and two of Kelly’s silent advisers sat down. Kelly turned to me.

“Who do you work for?” he said.

“Well, besides this magazine I also work for The Star,” I replied.

“Yeah.”

Kelly paused.

“I know your boss,” he added.

I nodded, totally bemused, and started with my questions. It was only in the car on the way home that it hit me... the guy was saying ‘don’t cross the line here’. It was a surreal day. My first edition as editor of this magazine and I’d had my first experience with AK47.

The “ambitious” Tipperary man went on to push through a number of other legislations as Minister before moving across to the Environment portfolio.

The Minister for Public Transport ministry was subsequently dumped.

Along with many, it seemed, of Labour’s pre-2011 election promises to the electorate and to the taxi industry.

The Vehicle Age Limit may go down as the single most despised of all the initiatives passed during Kelly’s tenure. We’ve carried many articles on the pain and hardship that law has caused. And not unlike Irish Water, it was not so much the law itself but the timing.

Pushing through a financially-challenging new rule on the industry whilst the country was still in a deep recession was unwise to say the least. And it was met with disgust.

Alan Kelly had promised to “clean up the taxi industry”.

With at least some of his power now stripped away as Labour sit on the backbenches of opposition, maybe now is the time for the man himself to wean off that power and try a couple of years of going “clean”.

And if you listen carefully, very carefully; you can hear a noise in the distance? You know what it is? That’s the whole of the taxi industry having a little chuckle.



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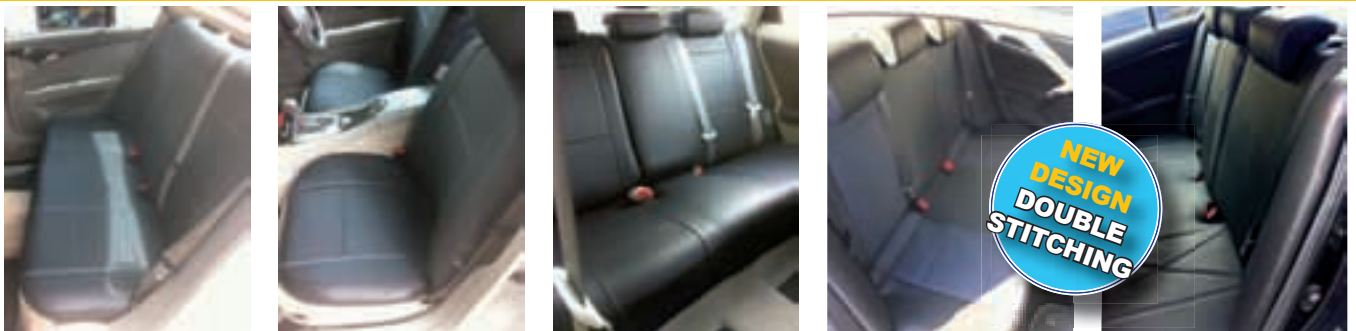
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PHILADELPHIA

An Uber passenger who took the wheel while the driver slept later crashed the car while trying to elude police.

State police say 20-year-old New York City resident Juan Carlos hired the car in Philadelphia to take him 200 miles to central New York.

Police say the driver asked Carlos to take the wheel while he napped, and a trooper later clocked Carlos going 86 mph in a 65 mph zone on Interstate 81 near Binghamton.

When the real driver woke up and asked Carlos why he was driving so fast, Carlos told him it was because police were chasing them.

Carlos crashed and both suffered minor injuries.

Carlos was charged with fleeing police and driving without a license.

NEW YORK

New York taxi drivers are to be banned from flirting with or EJACULATING on passengers in bid to 'clean-up' city's cabs!

Taxi drivers in New York are to be hit with a \$1000 fine or licence suspension if they sexually harass their passengers.

The "clean-up package" will introduce specific punishments for sexual assault or harassment.

The new guidelines, proposed by the Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC), go to a vote on April 21.

Sexual harassment will be termed as "engaging in any conversation related to sexual acts and sexual contact, or any other matter relating to... gender, physical appearance, expressing a desire to see or touch another person's body or expressing a desire to enter into any type of relationship with another person."

At the moment, sexual harassment is included in broader guidelines against "threats, harassment and abuse".

TLC spokesman Allan Fromberg told Gothamist: "Even what some would call "innocent flirting" is absolutely inappropriate

and no passenger should be subjected to that environment."

The TLC guidebook reads: "While performing the duties and responsibilities of a Licensee.... [one] must not threaten, harass, or abuse any person, and must not distract or attempt to distract any Service Animal."

"Emission of ejaculate by the licensee upon any part of the victim, clothed or unclothed" is also banned, it adds.

Between 2014 and 2015, the number of complaints from passengers has increased by 23 per cent, from 17,000 to 21,000 per year.

In 2015 14 out of 166 rapes reported by strangers in New York City were committed by cab drivers.

However, TLC said that the 23 per cent increase is "proportionally lower" than the 40% increase in drivers between 2014 and 2015.

FRANCE

The French government said it would support the creation of a fund to help retiring cabbies pay off the huge cost of their licenses in a bid to placate taxi drivers angry at the growing threat from private hire services like Uber.

In a "roadmap" presented to taxi companies and cabbies' unions on Monday, French Transport Minister Alain Vidalies said he hoped a dedicated fund would guarantee drivers get back the same amount of money that it cost to buy the licences, plus inflation.

However, he ruled out any public funds being used and said the money would be raised through contributions by taxi firms and by taxes on private hire vehicles, called VTCs in France.

The exorbitant cost of taxi licenses is a key grievance against the private hire services, which do not have to pay anything to start driving clients. The average cost of a license in Paris is €160,000, although these can sell for much more as drivers trade them between each other.



It is common for drivers to take out loans for their licenses and then sell them to new drivers when they retire. They say this investment is threatened by the growth of services such as Uber.

UK

Footage has been released showing a traffic warden giving a parking ticket to a taxi driver, just seconds after he pulled up to drop off an elderly disabled woman outside Marks & Spencer.

The footage was filmed by the driver, who works for Chelmsford Chauffeur Company in Essex.

The warden can be seen writing a ticket and ignoring the driver as he asks: "You're giving me a ticket for dropping off a disabled lady?"

The customer also objects to the warden's actions, calling him a "nasty person" and asking "don't you think he should have had some warning?"

The video has been viewed over 192,000 times, and is attracting attention across the world.

Dan Robinson, who posted the video on his Facebook page, is

the owner the taxi firm. He told *The Independent*: "My driver turned up at M&S in Chelmsford. Before the car had come to a stop, the traffic warden had arrived at the back of the car taking his details down, so obviously he didn't have a chance to even stop to let the customer out.

"He got a parking ticket for stopping, and it's not really parking as such, its stopping to let an old lady out so she can do her shopping."

Mr Robinson said that the warden's decision had been "very unfair" and that the driver should not have been punished for dropping off his passenger.

He stressed that there was nowhere else nearby that the driver could have stopped, as there is a bus lane on the other side of the road.

"The driver is only doing his job and trying to earn a living," Mr Robinson said.

"The driver was doing a good deed by letting the lady out of the car and looking after her."

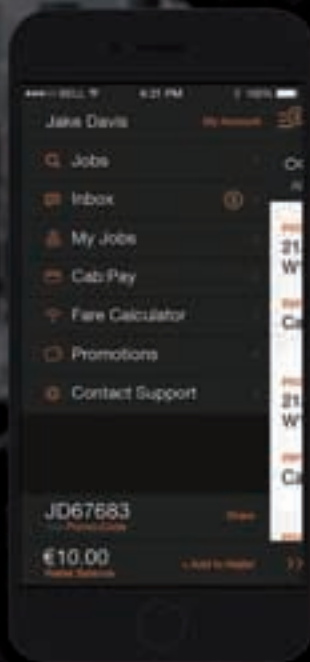
Chelmsford Council, as well as the warden himself, have come under attack on social media as the video gained popularity.



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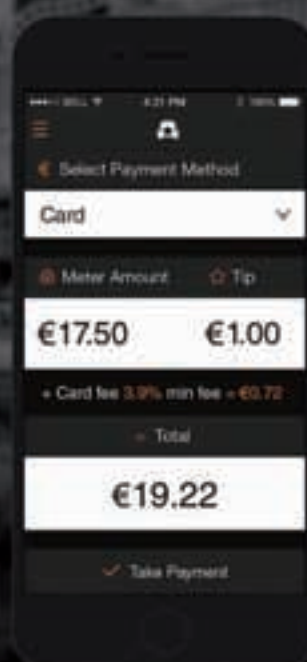
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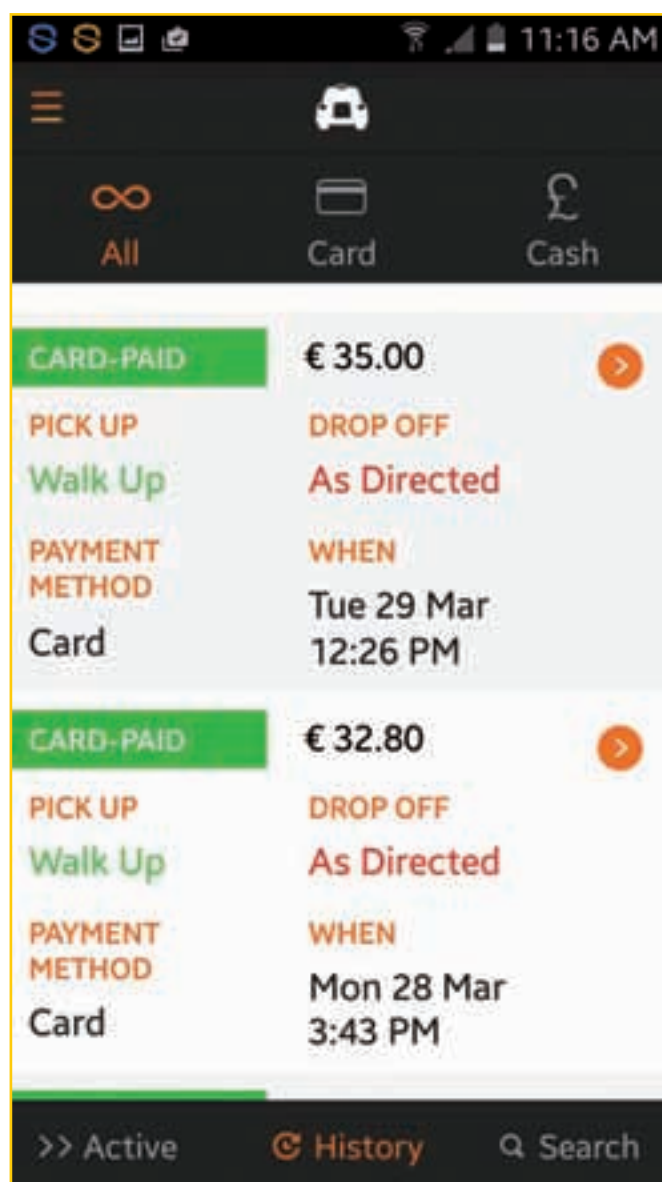
There has been a massive upsurge in the connectivity between mobile technology and taxi fares; taxi apps solve a problem as they offer passengers convenience, accessibility, reliability, safety and value so adoption rates continue to grow.

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competitive market; a number of high profile taxi apps remain unprofitable, their relatively new business models are unproven and no clear winner(s) have emerged.

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This month we spoke to Fergus O'Brien of Dial A Cab to hear how his company is on the look-out for new drivers.

Dial A Cab have two branches – one in Malahide and another in Santry – and with the recent upturn in the economy and all that that means for the taxi industry, new drivers are essential.

Fergus said: "We do a lot of work across the Northside. Pick-ups and drop-offs out at the Airport is also a large port of call for us too!"

"We have a fleet of about 300 drivers at the moment but we need about 50 more. We've had some drivers retiring. But with the economy picking up, we've seen tradesmen going back to work too. Recently we had one of our drivers, who is a qualified plumber, go back to work in plumbing. So the demand for drivers is high now.

"What we actually need is the government to release more plates. That would help the industry right now too! It's a one-way street of drivers

leaving the industry so we need some way of getting drivers in.

"We noticed the difference in the economy after the summer. We thought that by September that things would fall off, as they had done the previous seven or eight years. Luckily, this year work didn't fall away in September and work continued to stay steady all the way up until Christmas, which was fantastic.

"We feel, along with a few other Irish companies, that drivers should be supporting Irish companies instead of English ones like Hailo for example. Especially in the year that's in it!

"We want drivers to get in touch. There are no uniform requirements, we only ask that drivers turn up for work in neat dress. There are full legal rates here at Dial A Cab too, so we have a great deal for the driver. At the moment we're short on 7 and 8-seaters so we'd love to hear from drivers of those vehicles too. Obviously with the amount of work we get from the Airport, those kinds of vehicles are very important."

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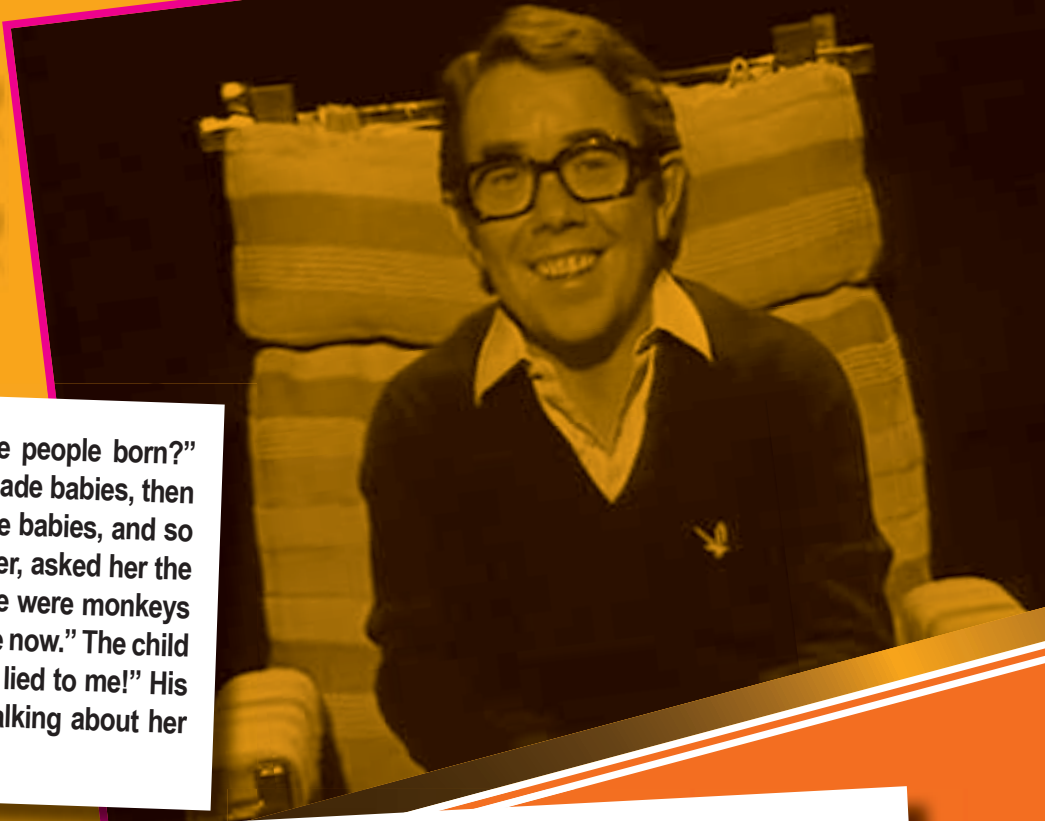
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Knock Knock



A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on." The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now." The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."

Mr. and Mrs. Brown had two sons. One was named Mind Your Own Business & the other was named Trouble. One day the two boys decided to play hide and seek. Trouble hid while Mind Your Own Business counted to one hundred. Mind Your Own Business began looking for his brother behind garbage cans and bushes. Then he started looking in and under cars until a police man approached him and asked, "What are you doing?" "Playing a game," the boy replied. "What is your name?" the officer questioned. "Mind Your Own Business." Furious the policeman inquired, "Are you looking for trouble?" The boy replied, "Why, yes."

A bus full of ugly people had a head on collision with a truck. When they died, God granted all of them one wish. The first person said, "I want to be gorgeous." God snapped his fingers and it happened. The second person said the same thing and God did the same thing. This went on and on throughout the group. God noticed the last man in line was laughing hysterically. By the time God got to the last ten people, the last man was laughing and rolling on the ground. When the man's turn came, he laughed and said, "I wish they were all ugly again."

A blonde and a redhead have a ranch. They have just lost their bull. The women need to buy another, but only have \$500. The redhead tells the blonde, "I will go to the market and see if I can find one for under that amount. If I can, I will send you a telegram." She goes to the market and finds one for \$499. Having only one dollar left, she goes to the telegraph office and finds out that it costs one dollar per word. She is stumped on how to tell the blonde to bring the truck and trailer. Finally, she tells the telegraph operator to send the word "comfortable." Skeptical, the operator asks, "How will she know to come with the trailer from just that word?" The redhead replies, "She's a blonde so she reads slow: 'Come for ta bull.'"

A proud and confident genius makes a bet with an idiot. The genius says, "Hey idiot, every question I ask you that you don't know the answer, you have to give me \$5. And if you ask me a question and I can't answer yours I will give you \$5,000." The idiot says, "Okay." The genius then asks, "How many continents are there in the world?" The idiot doesn't know and hands over the \$5. The idiot says, "Now me ask: what animal stands with two legs but sleeps with three?" The genius tries and searches very hard for the answer but gives up and hands over the \$5000. The genius says, "Dang it, I lost. By the way, what was the answer to your question?" The idiot hands over \$5.

QUESTIONS

1. Used in forensic investigations, what was invented in 1921 by John Augustus Larson, a Police Officer from Berkeley, California?
2. What is the highest mountain in Canada?
3. In which year was the Aintree Grand National officially run?
4. Which actor born 10 July 1977 played Solomon Northup in the 2013 movie '12 Years a Slave'?
5. Irish War of Independence here Michael Collins was a native of which county?
6. Which African country joined the United Nations on 14 July 2011?
7. Anthony Charles Lynton are the Christian names of which former British Prime Minister?
8. Chorophobia is the irrational fear of what?
9. What was invented in 1890 by Harold P. Brown and Arthur Kennelly, both employees of Thomas Edison?
10. Name the only Irish cyclist to have won the Tour de France?
11. What is the capital of Montenegro?
12. The River Shannon is the longest river in Ireland. What is the second longest?
13. What is commonly regarded as the shortest river in Ireland?
14. In what year did Roger Bannister break the world mile record and the four-minute barrier at Iffley Road Track in Oxford?
15. In 1865, six Confederate veterans, meeting in Pulaski, Tennessee, formed which secret society?
16. What date is Mahatma Gandhi's birthday and is also a National Holiday in India?
17. Zinedine Zidane was sent off during the FIFA World Cup Final for headbutting which player?
18. Which famous figure was born as Marie Grosholtz in 1761 in Strasbourg, France?
19. What animal derives its name for the Latin for 'Little Thief'?
20. Pushtu is the main language in which country?
21. Which country won the 1938 FIFA World Cup?
22. What are the Chinook and the Sirocco?

THE TACSAÍ MAGAZINE BUMPER QUIZ

23. What is Pakistan's currency?
24. Constance Georgine Markievicz, the early 20th century Irish Sinn Féin and Fianna Fáil politician, achieved which first in politics in 1918?
25. What does the 'S' represent in United States Army general George S. Patton Jr's name?
26. Name the Anglo-Saxon King killed at the Battle of Hastings in 1066
27. Who did Beatle Sir Paul McCartney marry in 2011?
28. In motoring terms, what does India, Tonga, Malta and Tanzania have in common?
29. Which capital city lies on the Potomac River?
30. In the 1970's East Pakistan became known as which modern day country?

- ANSWERS
1. Polygraph (lie-detector)
 2. Mount Logan
 3. 1839
 4. Chivwetel Ejiofor
 5. Cork
 6. South Sudan
 7. Tony Blair
 8. Dance
 9. Electric Chair
 10. Stephen Roche
 11. Podgorica
 12. River Barrow
 13. The River Corrib
 14. 1954
 15. Ku Klux Klan
 16. 2 October
 17. Marco Materazzi
 18. Marie 'Madame' Tussauds
 19. Ferret (furrus)
 20. Afghanistan
 21. Italy (beat Hungary 4-2 in the final)
 22. Winds
 23. Pakistani Rupee
 24. She became the first woman elected to the British House of Commons
 25. Smith
 26. King Harold II
 27. Nancy Shevell
 28. Cars drive on the left side of the road
 29. Washington D.C.
 30. Bangladesh



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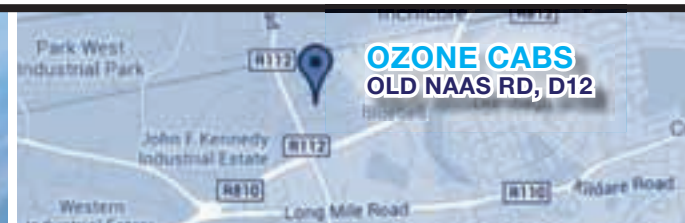


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