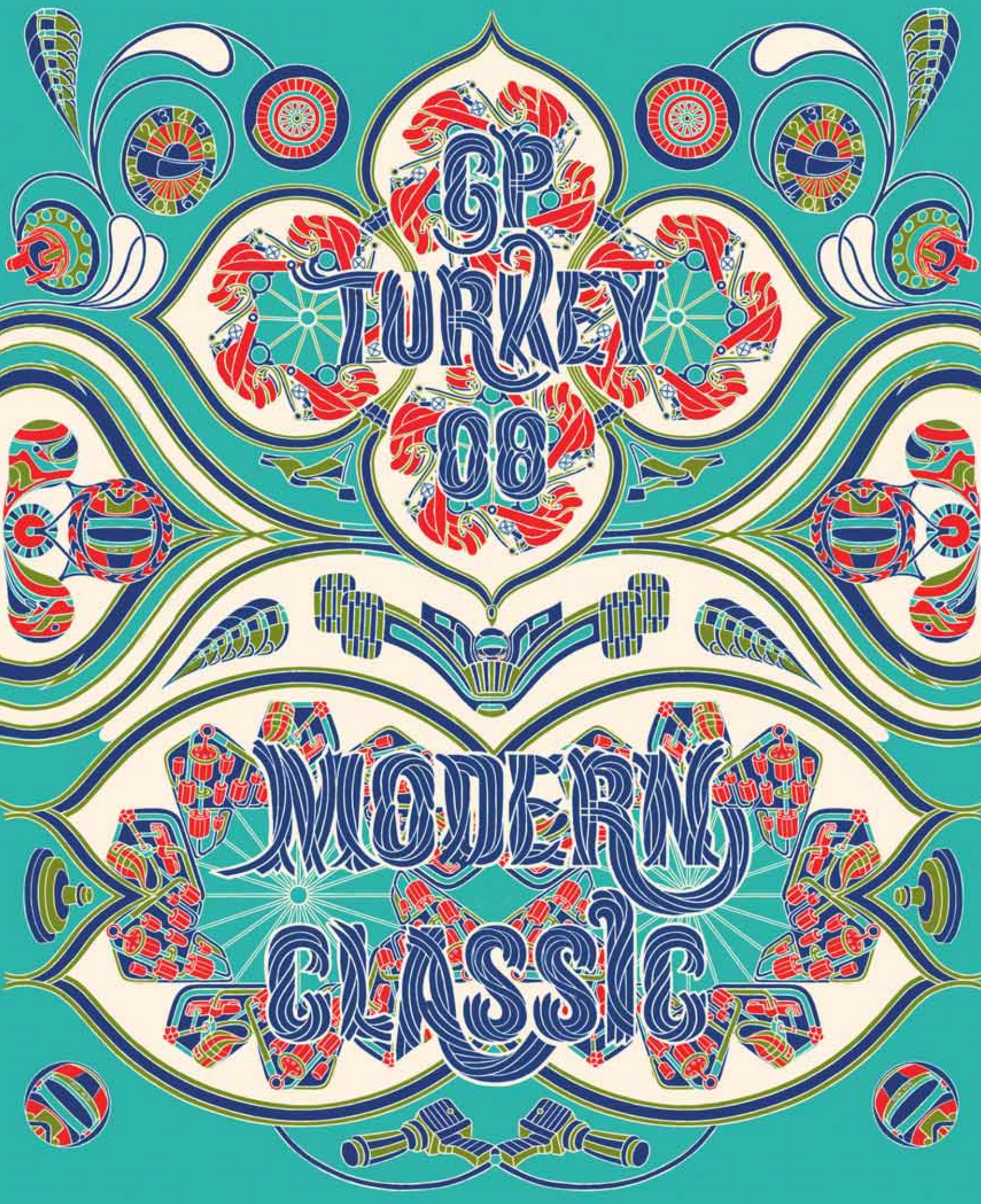
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High life
Lewis Hamilton was certainly flying yesterday – but not on the track. The McLaren star was taking part in a photo shoot for Vodafone involving a different sort of horsepower to the kind he's used to.
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FRIDAY 09·05·08 TURKEY

Hamilton in flight, paddock stars on TV game shows and F1 drivers beating professional footballers by a hatful of goals. It's Istanbul, we're here three months earlier than usual; things are already getting strange. To find out just how much, turn the page…

Record drive

Many drivers would celebrate a record-breaking number of grands prix by partying until dawn. Rubens Barrichello, however, prefers a round of golf – which is probably why he's achieved the record – so Honda organised a celebratory tournament in his honour at the Greg Norman-designed Real Club de Golf El Prat, on the Monday after the Spanish GP. Rubens' caddy for the tournament was the previous record-holder, Riccardo Patrese, which was probably unnerving. "I can't believe Riccardo is being so nice," said Barrichello. "If he'd beaten my record, I'd be pissed off."

The competition was intense, but the individual prize eventually went to ORF commentator Mark Wurzinger, and the team prize to Lewis Hamilton, Geoff Foulger and José Manuel Lara.

Of course, Rubens couldn't leave his own tournament empty-handed: Nick Fry presented the Brazilian with a beautiful Honda CBR1000 RR Fireblade motorcycle at the end of the awards ceremony and, demonstrating a near-supernatural level of management synergy, Ross Brawn handed over a set of Alpine Stars leathers. Rubens jumped up and down like a six-year-old at Christmas and immediately took his new toy for a spin. "I get a bike for 257? This is fantastic! Do I get a car for 258?" he asked. "Only if you win," replied Fry.



TO THE FORE
Rubens Barrichello getting into the swing of things at Barcelona's Real Club de Golf El Prat.

Health check

Heikki Kovalainen has received the thumbs-up from the FIA medical team to race on Sunday. "I feel 100 per cent, and if I had not felt 100 per cent I would have stayed at home," said the Finn when he emerged smiling from the medical centre. Among the tests he underwent was the somewhat tricky balancing act of jumping from a chair onto one foot, but maybe the best way to check if Heikki is OK is to have him pull out his wallet without all his change falling on the floor.

Perfect couple

David Coulthard and fiancée Karen Minier appeared together on UK TV last weekend on a celebrity edition of the classic gameshow Mr & Mrs. The show pits one half of the couple against the other to see how well they really know each other. Unlike the regular programme, which might ask, "Does he leave the toilet seat up or down?" the questions had to be adapted for the jet-setters. Therefore, as DC was sitting in a soundproof booth, Karen was asked such millionaire-focused questions as, "Which house does he prefer?" Typically, DC left the audience blushing when he was asked where he would most likely fake excitement. "Definitely not in the bedroom, because I have a great time," he replied. Competing against comedian Vic Reeves, Bez from the Happy Mondays and their partners, David and Karen triumphed and are donating their £20,000 prize to the Bicycle Helmet Initiative Trust, which works to reduce the number of children who are killed or sustain head injuries in cycling accidents.

Soccer stars

Hot off the plane on Wednesday night, Formula One's top footballers played against a local side made up of professionals and local celebrities. Clearly, though, the pros were a bit out of practice, as the final score was 8-3 to the F1 team. It was Force India who owned the game, as strikers Tonio Liuzzi and Giancarlo Fisichella scored three goals apiece. Fernando Alonso and Sebastian Vettel also hit the back of the net. But man of the match was Toyota doctor Riccardo Ceccarelli who, in defence, took the legs from under the opposition's forwards before switching on his friendly bedside manner just as the referee arrived, so escaping any penalty.

New job for journalist

The McLaren stylists have been put on full alert as Autosport's grand prix editor, Steve Cooper, is joining the team's press office. Just like Matt Bishop, Steve is expecting a full makeover and we predict that on day one he'll have to leave his hoodie and keychain at the door. It's expected his first race in his new role will be in Canada, and as each race approaches we expect he'll remove a little more beard. The first phase is already being exhibited here, as in Spain he had considerably more facial hair.

Membership denied

Michael Schumacher may have won almost everything Formula One has to offer, but it appears he hasn't done enough to impress Germany's sporting judges for the country's new Hall of Fame. The inaugural list is made up of 40 heroes, but with the puzzling absence of Schumi, Boris Becker and Steffi Graf. Germany's president, Horst Kohler, says the aim of the hall of fame is to encourage young people to take up sport. Therefore it's a bit strange that the jury only chose eight living athletes. Each year a further three sportspeople will be inducted, so perhaps if Michael's bike career takes off he's still got a chance.

SPIN TO WIN... #5: DEALING WITH DIRT

Lower the temperature for delicates...

Spin (noun/colloquial): public relations practice of putting positive light on a negative story via manipulation of facts

THE FACTS

After a make-or-break mid-season test, the team's star driver has said some less-than-complimentary things about the latest series of upgrades. Rather than follow the agreed script referring to technical advancement and incremental improvements, he's called the car a shopping trolley and suggested he could do a better aerodynamic job using a ball of wool and a fairly high bridge. This needs some clarifying...

THE SPIN

[Insert F1 team] have concluded their planned programme at Barcelona*/ Jerez*/Ricard* [*delete venue as appropriate]. "Our data provides a clear picture of where we are underperforming," said [insert name of untraceable test engineer]. "As we have come to expect, [insert name of discontented driver] offered an articulate level of feedback and we thank him for his efforts – no doubt it will prove an inspiration as the whole team strives to improve the package."

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THE HITLIST

What's F1 Hot... or Not?

DOWN

ADRIAN'S TURKEY IS OFF
As seen in 'Up' (below), Adrian Valles, an early casualty of the GP2 season, has been replaced at FMS by Adam Carroll, with the team saying only that they "would like to thank Adrian for his contribution to the team's GP2 Asia campaign and wish him all the best for his future career". No love lost there, then.



GP AUSTRALIA UP THE EASTERN CREEK
One of the Australia's favourite racing sons, Alan Jones, has rubbished plans to move the race to Sydney "[The Australian Racing Drivers' Club] are talking about spending $30 million on [Eastern Creek], which would probably furnish Bernie's office, but I don't think it would build a good F1 track," Jones said. "They're kidding themselves."



GAME PAUSED
Bored of Grand Theft Auto IV? Well, you'd better renew your interest – because it looks like you're going to have to wait a while for a new F1 game, as Bernie and Sony are apparently deadlocked over a new publishing deal for it. According to technology news source TG Daily, "the gap between what Sony is willing to pay for a [new] licence and what Bernie Ecclestone is demanding is too wide".



LEWIS'S SEX APPEAL
It's hardly the vote of confidence a young man needs, but when the tabloids said this week that Dannii Minogue will accompany Lewis Hamilton to the Monaco GP, the pop star said they had been texting each other about the meet since the Australian GP. "So, if that's a date, then we're going on a date," she said, but added: "I don't fancy him, no." Ouch!

UP

MAGNUSSEN JUNIOR
Another week, another GP driver's son taking up racing... This time it's Kevin Magnussen, the 15-year-old son of former McLaren and Stewart driver Jan. Kevin made his debut in Danish Formula Ford recently. What we can't come to terms with is that proud dad Jan is only 34 years old!



ADAM CARROLL BACK IN GP TOO
A week after a podium at Brands Hatch to cap a good season for Team Ireland in A1GP, Adam is back in the grand prix arena again with GP2 team FMS, replacing Adrian Valles. Adam contested 16 races in 2007 with FMS, winning in Britain and Hungary, and finishing seventh in the championship. He has been confirmed for the Turkey and Monaco rounds. "It's a fantastic opportunity," he says, "and it's going to be brilliant to drive the new car."



FRANCO-SPANISH RELATIONS
Fernando Alonso has been awarded the V Premio Dialogo prize, celebrating the apparent burgeoning friendship between Spain and France. Fernando was selected because of his 'emblematic' role as a successful Spanish sportsman who sets an example about successful collaborations between the two countries. Top bit of international diplomacy, fella!

FERNANDO'S DANCE MOVES
Well, who would have thought it? Fernando Alonso – dance legend and ballet king. Before you imagine the two-time world champion in a leotard, it turns out that he has a namesake in Cuban Maestro Fernando Alonso, who received the Benois Dance Prize at the Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow this week. He was handed the award – considered the Oscar of dance – in recognition of his work in the creation of the Cuban National Ballet, the Academy of Ballet and the Cuban National School of Arts.



PIT BITCH: WHIPPING BOYS

But will they ever learn?

'F1 has been a boulevard of broken dreams for hosts of teams'

BY HELEN PARADYCE

So, farewell then, Super Aguri – turns out you weren't so super after all, or at least not so super-rich enough to compete in this sport. Your cars might not have been state of the art – some might say they were Aguricultural – but you certainly raced hard against your parents at Honda last year, which might have something to do with why you're not here now. The marketing people will bemoan your passing, because it means the F1 sponsor rate card has instantly had a few noughts wiped off it, but I will miss Ant and Taku, two guys who just got on with the job without complaining all the time, conscious that they were lucky simply to be on the grid.

And after a few glasses of raki last night, I realised those two drivers could teach us F1 types a useful lesson in that, compared to most people, we live in Camelot and not Complainalot. This was impressed upon me when I had to mix with 'civilians' last week and attend various meetings in the real world. Everywhere you go, you meet people who would kill to do what we do. An assistant in the optician's I walked into – you can do your own joke about walking into the optician's because you need glasses – was proudly displaying an 'Employee Of The Month' badge, which is a true paradox, as it made her both a winner and a loser at the same time. In any office, you will find signs of people trying to brighten up their working day, something we don't need to do. Desks are cluttered with family photos, strange mascots, or slogans. The only time I've been impressed by one of these was the man working in the place I insure my car, who had written on the wall behind him: "You don't have to be mad to work here, but it helps." A cliché, I know, but this was different – he'd written it in his own excrement.



F1 has been a boulevard of broken dreams for hosts of teams, from the once always invincible Team Lotus to the almost invisible Andrea Moda. If you don't remember this outfit, 'owned' by a gentleman who made Silvio Berlusconi look shy and retiring, that's because they were eventually kicked out of the sport for bringing it into disrepute. And let's face it, you have to do something really bad to be kicked out of F1. Perry McCarthy drove for them, but this did not involve much actual driving, as he would rarely get through pre-qualifying, or even through the pitlane without mechanics pushing his car.

He now has a more successful career as an after-dinner speaker, and his best (some say only) joke is that he once found himself in an elevator with Michael Schumacher: "There we were, just the two of us and seven world championships between us."

Good to see Heikki Kovalainen walking around the Istanbul paddock hoping to race. Mind you, the F1 doctors have always had a hard time assessing Finnish drivers after crashes, as they are famed for being laconic and having a strange sense of humour. Take the time Heikki and Kimi went for a walk together on a deserted beach. "Look at all the dead seagulls," said Heikki. "I don't see any," replied Kimi, staring up at the sky.

ON THIS DAY... 9/5/08



1960: THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION
The oral contraceptive pill goes on sale for the first time, kick-starting the 'sexual revolution' that leads to the 'summer of love'.
Memories of the summer of love.
YouTube.com search: hippies + summer + of + love

1896: END OF HORSE POWER
The first ever motor show exhibits 10 'horseless carriages' in London.
1896 two-cylinder Daimler Wagonette.
YouTube.com search: 1896 + car

2004: CANADA ICE HOCKEY CHAMPS
Canada beat Sweden in the Men's World Ice Hockey Championship final in Prague.
Highlights of Canada v Finland en route to the big prize.
YouTube.com search: 2004 + hockey + final + highlights

DEATHS

1949: PRINCE LOUIS II OF MONACO
Born in 1870 and founder of the Monaco GP in 1929.
YouTube.com search: Monaco + 1929

ON THIS DAY, VISIT...

THE BLUE MOSQUE
So named because of the 20,000 beautiful blue tiles on its interior walls, it's probably Istanbul's best-known landmark.
Entrance is free, but restricted during prayer times.

ON THIS DAY IN F1...



2004: SPANISH GP
Michael Schumacher wins his fourth consecutive Spanish GP and his fifth straight victory of 2004.
Watch race highlights.
You tube.com search: Spain + GP + Schumacher

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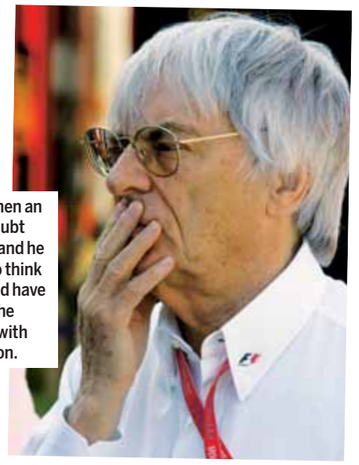
Hands up who wants to drive for Ferrari?



Sharp as ever, Bernie wasn't afraid to multi-task at the races: here he is choosing new wallpaper for his bathroom.



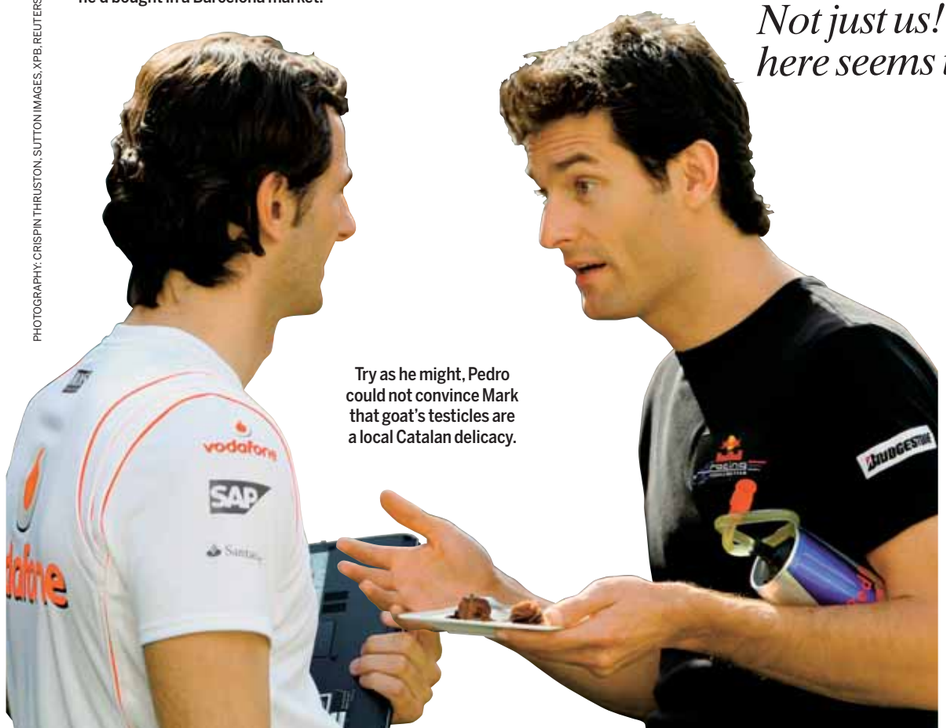
Flavio was keen to show off the pair of bookends he'd bought in a Barcelona market.



.....but then an awful doubt crept in and he began to think he should have picked the pattern with flowers on.

DAZED AND CONFUSED

Not just us! Everyone here seems to be, too…



Try as he might, Pedro could not convince Mark that goat's testicles are a local Catalan delicacy.

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After two years, Rob's love of musicals and his obsession with impersonating Gene Kelly performing Singin' In The Rain before the start of every grand prix was beginning to lose its appeal for Felipe.



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MIKEY GOES TO HOLLYWOOD

Bruce Willis as Murray Walker, that's ridiculous. No, this is how silly the cast and script could get.

SCENE 1: THE EARLY YEARS

PETER SAUBER's office in Hinwil, Switzerland. MICHAEL SCHUMACHER and HEINZ-HARALD FRENTZEN are standing before Sauber's desk.

SAUBER: [looking at Schumacher] Son, your ego is writing cheques your body can't cash.

(Frentzen grins. Sauber turns to Frentzen.)

SAUBER: You, asshole – you're lucky to be here!

FRENTZEN: Thank you, sir.

SAUBER: [turning back to Schumacher] Let's not talk bullsh*t Michael. Your name ain't the best in racing. You need to be doing it better, and cleaner, than the other guy. What is it with you?

SCHUMACHER: I just want to serve my team and be the best pilot in motor racing, sir.

SAUBER: Don't screw around with me, Michael. You're a hell of an instinctive pilot. Maybe too good. I'd like to bust your butt but I can't. I got another problem here. I gotta send somebody from this squadron to Jordan. I'm gonna send you up against the best. You're going to F1.

SCENE 2: THE DARK SIDE

Castle Benetton, the home of FLAVIO BRIATORE. Briatore sits behind a large desk, sipping a glass of wine. A fire burns in a hearth. SCHUMACHER stands by the fire, gazing into its depths.

BRIATORE: Your destiny lies with me, Schumacher. Jordan knew this to be true.

SCHUMACHER: No.

BRIATORE: There is no escape. Michael, you've only begun to discover your power. Join me, and with our combined strength, we can end this conflict and bring order to Formula One.

SCHUMACHER: I'll never join you!

BRIATORE: If only you knew the power of the Dark Side. Eddie Jordan never told you what happened to your contract. Michael, I have it.

SCHUMACHER: No. No! That's impossible!

BRIATORE: Search your feelings Michael, you know it to be true.

SCHUMACHER: No-o-o-o-o-o!! No-o-o-o-o-o!!

BRIATORE: You can destroy the Williams Empire. Frank has foreseen this. It is your destiny. Join me, and together we can rule the galaxy as father and son. Come with me. It is the only way.

SCENE 3: FERRARI CALLS

JEAN TODT's office at the Maranello factory in November 2005. SCHUMACHER looks nervous. Todt is slowly crushing walnuts in his left hand.

TODT: I'll make you an offer you can't refuse.

SCHUMACHER: Stop talking! You had me at "$30 million a season, undisputed number one driver and 10 per cent of the merchandising".

SCENE 4: A NEW RIVALRY

The drivers' briefing room in Monaco, 2006. KIMI RÄIKKÖNEN confronts SCHUMACHER.

RÄIKKÖNEN: You're a real cowboy.

SCHUMACHER: What's your problem, Kimi?

RÄIKKÖNEN: You're everyone's problem. That's because every time you go out on the track, you're unsafe. I don't like you because you're dangerous.

SCHUMACHER: Yes Iceman, I am dangerous!

SCENE 5: PEACE AT LAST

Eighteen months later, dusk falls on Interlagos. RÄIKKÖNEN crosses the line to win the world championship. He stops, tosses his helmet to the cheering mechanics and hugs SCHUMACHER.

SCHUMACHER: You can be my wingman anytime.

RÄIKKÖNEN: No, you can be mine.

(To scenes of jubilation, they link arms and walk out of the pitlane into the sunset. Camera pans to MURRAY WALKER in the commentary box.)

WALKER: Yippee-Kimi-Kai Yay, Motherf*ckers!

THE END



First Day/Last Day

PEDRO LAMY

With a stellar reputation in junior formulae, José Pedro Mourão Nunes Lamy Viçoso arrived in Formula One with high hopes – b ut fortune didn't smile on the popular Portuguese.

Back in 1993, I was driving in F3000 – I'd been talking to Lotus about a future Formula One drive, but I wasn't expecting it to go anywhere that year. Then Alex Zanardi had a big accident at Spa in practice, and was going to be out for a few weeks, so I went to Monza to drive in the Italian Grand Prix. There's a thrilling moment when you realise you're going to be running with Ayrton Senna, Alain Prost and all the great names of that time.

The first race was tough: I was only 21 years old and I was jumping into F1 without a lot of miles in the car, but Senna was really nice to me that weekend. He told me the best way to approach the event and how to handle everything. It's a nice memory. I finished the race, which was my real ambition, and I enjoyed trying to get into the right rhythm. It sticks in my mind as a great moment in my career – which is what your first Formula One race should be. [Pedro finished 11th after the Lotus 107B suffered electrical problems. Damon Hill won the race for Williams.]

My last grand prix was at Suzuka in 1996, with Minardi – and I was really happy it was the last! During my time in F1, I spent a lot of time thinking about how much I'd enjoyed racing in other categories. I wanted to be fighting for the lead and winning races – every driver does – and when you realise there isn't any chance of that, and you're just trying to finish, that really isn't good for your morale. Frankly, I knew it was my last grand prix and I wasn't really trying. I now know that was a mistake, but I was very young, and I was suffering, being in an uncompetitive team. I wanted a chance to prove that I was fast. [Pedro finished 12th. Once again, Damon Hill won the race for Williams.]

Motor racing is like that – it's a game, and if you aren't winning, you want to play something different: change cars or maybe go to another category. That's what I did.

I did not push to stay in F1. Now, I think perhaps I should have done, but I've had a more enjoyable life as a result of leaving. F1 is the most important series in the sport, and I can say I've driven in it – but I like to win. When you're in F1, you think it's the only thing in the world – when you leave, other categories, and other race teams suddenly start to register – and now that I'm driving for Peugeot [in the Le Mans series], I can honestly say they're the biggest, most ambitious team I've ever been with.

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TEAM-MATE CHALLENGE

FORCE INDIA

Fisi has an impressive 200 F1 races to his name, while Adrian is enjoying just his second season on the grid. So how much have they learned about each other, now their paths have crossed?

ADRIAN SUTIL: SCORECARD

Q1: What are the names of Giancarlo's children?
A: "I don't know, sorry!" ✗
Correct answer: Carlotta and Christopher

Q2: In which year, and for which team, did he make his F1 debut?
A: "1996, Minardi." ✓
Correct answer: 1996, Minardi

Q3: What is Giancarlo's favourite cartoon?
A: "Mickey Mouse." ✗
Correct answer: Goldrick – a Japanese cartoon

Q4: Which football team does he support?
A: "AC Roma." ✓
Correct answer: AC Roma

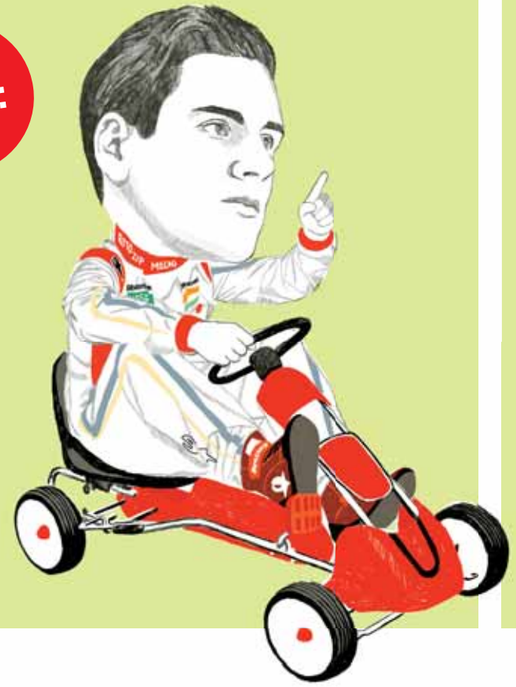
Q5: What is his date of birth?
A: "I know this – January 17, 1973." ½
Correct answer: January 14, 1973

Q6: How many fastest laps has Giancarlo set in F1?
A: "Twenty." ✗
Correct answer: Two – both at Circuit de Catalunya

Q7: Which colours are on Giancarlo's helmet?
A: "White, green, yellow and blue." ✓
Correct answer: White, green, yellow and blue

Q8: Finish this sentence: "Before a race, Giancarlo always..."
A: "...relaxes." ✗
Correct answer: ...straps in

Final score: 3.5



GIANCARLO FISICHELLA: SCORECARD

Q1: You offer him a drink. What does he ask for?
A: "Apple juice." ✗
Correct answer: A sparkling water

Q2: In which year, and for which team, did he make his F1 testing debut?
A: "2006, Midland." ✓
Correct answer: 2006, Midland

Q3: What is his date of birth?
A: "January 9 or 10, 1984." ✗
Correct answer: January 11, 1983

Q4: What nationality is his dad, and what does he do?
A: "He's from Uruguay and he is a musician." ✓
Correct answer: Uruguayan, a violinist and composer

Q5: Adrian is a gifted musician – what does he play?
A: "Piano." ✓
Correct answer: Piano

Q6: What is his favourite race?
A: "Spa." ✓
Correct answer: Spa

Q7: Who was his ASM team-mate in Euro Series F3?
A: "Lewis Hamilton." ✓
Correct answer: Lewis Hamilton

Q8: Finish this sentence: "After a race, Adrian always..."
A: "...showers. Though he seems to have gone without at the last few!" ✗
Correct answer: ...goes to see his engineers

Final score: 5
VICTORY!



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ISTANBUL INSPIRATION

These 10 gorgeous La Formula Una girls are representing Turkey at this weekend's grand prix. Follow what they get up to in The Red Bulletin...

DENIZ ORBAY
How old are you? 23
What's your occupation? Assistant brand manager
Where do you live? Istanbul
Fernando or Kimi? Fernando
Clubs or bars? Clubs
Gym or couch? Gym
Describe your character in three words... Funny, honest, smart.

SENA DURGUN
How old are you? 20
What's your occupation? I'm a student
Where do you live? Istanbul
Summer or winter? Summer
Pet dog or pet cat? Pet dog
Movie star or boy next door? Movie star
Tell us a secret about yourself... If I'm nervous, I go shopping to relax.

HAZAN TURAÇ
How old are you? 26
What's your occupation? I work in public relations
Where do you live? Istanbul
Shoes or handbags? Shoes
High fashion or street fashion? Street fashion
Night in or night out? Night out
Describe your character in three words... Sociable, independent, patient.

CANSU TUG
How old are you? 21
What's your occupation? I'm a student
Where do you live? Istanbul
Beach holiday or adventure holiday? Beach holiday
Reading or shopping? Shopping
Gym or couch? Gym
Describe you character in three words... I can't use only three words to describe myself! I'm different in every different situation.

TUGBA KARATOP
How old are you? 21
What's your occupation? I'm a student, translator and photographer
Where do you live? Istanbul
High fashion or street fashion? High fashion at the weekend, street fashion the rest of the time
Movie star or boy next door? Movie star for sure
Reading or shopping? As a student, reading; as a woman, shopping
Tell us a secret about yourself... I speak in English when I'm feeling down or angry.



IPEK BAKAN
How old are you? 21
What's your occupation? I'm a student
Where do you live? Istanbul
Wine or water? Water
Beach holiday or adventure holiday? Adventure holiday
Night out or night in? Night out
What would you choose as the theme tune for your life? Wonderwall by Oasis – it makes me happy and I feel good whenever I hear it.

ILGIM ILGAR
How old are you? 29
What's your occupation? Sales and marketing
Where do you live? Istanbul
Kimi or Fernando? Kimi
Clubs or bars? Clubs
Movie star or boy next door? Boy next door
Tell us a secret about yourself... I was supposed to welcome guests at the 2006 grand prix, but I watched the race instead.

EDA ERKUT
How old are you? 22
What's your occupation? Student and computer programmer
Where do you live? Istanbul
Shoes or handbags? Handbags
Pet dog or pet cat? Pet dog
Reading or shopping? Reading
Describe your character in three words... Crazy, successful, sweet.

ASLI KUTMANGIL
How old are you? 24
What's your occupation? I'm a student and I work in advertising
Where do you live? Istanbul
Summer or winter? Winter
High fashion or street fashion? Street fashion
Gym or couch? Gym
What would you choose as the theme tune for your life? Ennio Morricone's Chi Mai because it was my mother's favourite song. I lost her when she was my age and when I listen to it I always think of her.

BESTE AKSOY
How old are you? 22
What's your occupation? I'm a student
Where do you live? Istanbul
Kimi or Fernando? Fernando
Shoes or handbags? Shoes
Reading or shopping? Shopping
Describe your character in three words... Funny, happy, exciting.

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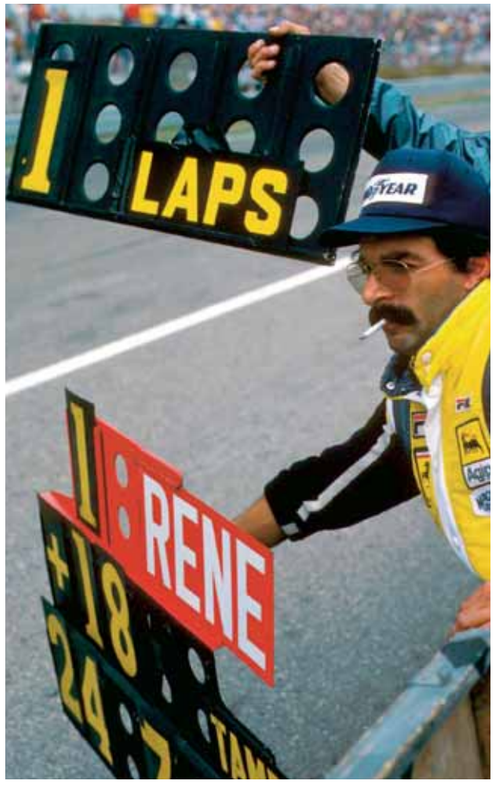


Clockwise from above: Arnoux celebrates victory; Prost's Renault retires; Piquet pilots the already-struggling Brabham; Ferrari head for the 1-2; Prost limps on as Piquet hits the tyres; Prost reflects...

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PROST'S DECISIVE MOVE

GP Holland, Aug 28, 1983

Might the destination of the World Championship have been different if Alain Prost hadn't tried to overtake Nelson Piquet at the Dutch Grand Prix?

Alain Prost had just won the previous grand prix in Austria when the field arrived at Zandvoort for the 12th round of the 15-race series. He now had a 14-point lead over nearest challenger Nelson Piquet, but was acutely aware that his rival's Brabham-BMW was improving all the time, having finished third in Austria.

The 1983 Dutch Grand Prix was the first race at which the TAG turbo engine appeared in a McLaren MP4/1E driven by Niki Lauda, which upset team-mate John Watson, who still had a Cosworth-powered car.

Reigning champion Keke Rosberg's Williams had made an appearance on the front row of the grid early in the season, but thereafter it had been eight different combinations of Prost and Eddie Cheever (Renault), Rene Arnoux and Patrick Tambay (Ferrari), and Piquet, who had occupied the front row.

In Holland, Piquet took pole from Tambay, while Lotus had Elio de Angelis on row two and Nigel Mansell on row three, sharing with Prost and Riccardo Patrese (Brabham) respectively. Arnoux was beset with problems and would start only 10th with Cheever just behind.

The field was held for some moments before being sent on their way, as Manfred Winkelhock wrongly made his way back to his grid position after his ATS failed to fire up. When the green light eventually came on, Tambay appeared to stall, initially thought to be because of an overheated clutch. "We had a long first gear," says Tambay. "It was part of the transverse gearbox and we couldn't change it. So I messed up the start. If you got it right with the turbo it was OK, but my revs were wrong."

Piquet jumped into the lead, while Cheever bravely ran down beside the pitwall into an amazing second from Prost and Patrese. Arnoux was up to seventh, while Tambay was down to 21st.

Cheever was soon struggling as his engine failed to pick up out of slow corners, so Prost moved into second place, five seconds behind Piquet after 10 laps. Patrese and Arnoux had overtaken Cheever, and would change places when Arnoux outbraked the Brabham into Tarzan on lap 22.

At the front, Prost was slowly closing on Piquet, so that by lap 37 the pair were running together. By lap 41, Renault were calling Prost into the pits. The Frenchman, however, was otherwise occupied. "It was two laps before refuelling and I really wanted to overtake him, as I was quicker than him at that point in the race and so I took a bit of a risk," says Prost.

"I braked too quickly for Tarzan, I felt that there was an opportunity, but there were a lot of bumps on the inside of the corner and I locked up a bit. It wasn't a big shunt, but I broke the front wing – that was the problem."

Prost understeered into Piquet, sending him off into the barrier, but the impact straightened the Renault and allowed it to continue. However, with a broken front wing Prost understeered off later in the lap and hit the barrier.

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Nelson Piquet

Both cars were out and, in the end, Piquet won the title by just two points. But, unknown to Prost, Piquet was struggling in Holland and he could never have overhauled the Renault driver in the championship if Prost had won at Zandvoort.

"I had broken a right-rear damper," says Piquet today. "He didn't know that. He was catching me and he wasn't very patient. I was taking it easy, as the car was shaking, and he came up behind me very quickly and suddenly came down the side and hit me. I saw that he'd broken the front wing, and he later went straight on, luckily for me. I was very happy. Afterwards, he said to me, 'You aren't mad at me – why?' I said, 'Ah, you don't need to know.' If he'd won the race, I'd have been screwed."

Arnoux inherited the lead and, when Patrese's BMW lost power, Tambay took over second, giving Ferrari an unassailable lead in the constructors' championship. Watson, with a point to prove, finished third, while Derek Warwick scored Toleman's first world championship points with fourth.

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SUPERMAN DEFEATED

But Aguri Suzuki's team will long be remembered in Formula One for all the right reasons.

There isn't a hole in the paddock this weekend. There are a few trucks more than is strictly necessary and some suspiciously generous spacing, but attention isn't drawn to the absence of Super Aguri. It is the way of these things – a team disappears and everybody else just shuffles along to compensate.

The pseudo-science is in full flow around Istanbul Park: the natural state of F1; the Darwinian economics of motorsport. Ultimately, it's difficult to record the demise of Aguri Suzuki's outfit without resorting to eulogy. Little teams have gone out of business before, and will do so again, but this was not another Eurobrun or Pacific – Super Aguri made an indelible contribution to Formula One and will be remembered for their successes, rather than their ultimate failure.

Canada 2007 was the high point, not just because of the points scored, but also the style: the mercurial Takuma Sato, having already passed Kimi Räikkönen and Ralf Schumacher, outbraking Fernando Alonso's McLaren-Mercedes to snatch another position – comic book heroism in the grand tradition. There were other moments, too: lapping inside the top 10 at Interlagos; Taku making Q3 in Australia, and scoring a point in Spain; Davidson passing Button at Indianapolis. Simply arriving with a car in Bahrain for the first race of 2006 was almost a triumph in itself.

But it isn't always what you do – sometimes it's the way that you do it. Achievement or failure was greeted with equanimity – the latter treated as a learning experience, the former celebrated with joy untempered by bragging at the expense of better-funded rivals. "F1 is never easy," Aguri Suzuki would say last year, mildly rebuking anyone asking him to comment on the woes of Honda's works team. It is the same phrase he used when asked whether his own troubles were created by the inconsistency of F1 in agreeing and sticking to a set of rules, supposedly created to give the independent a fighting chance against the manufacturers...

Left and opposite: Characters like Sato, Davidson and Aguri Suzuki himself, plus the spirit in the rest of the team, made many of Super Aguri's 39 F1 outings memorable affairs.

ILLUSTRATION: HERI RAYAN

1991

1999

THEN & NOW

With a pole time a second faster than that of Alain Prost, second on the grid, Ayrton Senna led the 1991 US GP at Phoenix from start to finish in a brand new, untested McLaren. On the mural at Imola, where he died 14 years ago last week, fans' graffiti keeps the memory of Senna's genius, if not his image, alive.
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REQUIRED VIEWING #1: TURKISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

After qualifying tomorrow, why not go and watch Galatasaray at home? The club has the best international record of any Turkish team, and won the UEFA cup in 2000, beating UK team Arsenal. In their last match of the season, they take on seventh-placed Gençlerbirligi Oftas, and only need a draw to win their 17th Turkish Super League title. Kick-off is at 7pm, and, if all goes well, the fans will be partying long into the night. Ticket prices start at 45 YTL.
Ali Sami Yen Stadium, Hasnun Galip Sok 7-11.
T: +90 212 251 57 07
www.biletix.com

TRUCKIE TIPS #1: FOOD

If you really want to see Istanbul, check out 360°. This restaurant is described as 'a concrete and glass spaceship on the terrace of a 19th-century apartment building', and has a view over both the Bosphorus and the Golden Horn. It has won international awards for cuisine described as 'global eclectic' – and while we're not sure what that means, the boys and girls in the Energy Station rave about the cooking of South African chef Mike Norman, who has occasionally guest-starred in their kitchen. Oh, and it isn't as expensive as it sounds...
360°, 32/309 Istiklal Cad,
Misir Apt. K8, N:311 Beyoglu.
T: +90 212 251 10 42

THE KNOWLEDGE: TURKEY

Spanning two continents, Istanbul is a vibrant fusion of European and Asian culture. Finding the best places to spend your downtime in such a sprawling city can be difficult, but fear not, here are our top tips on where to go.

TRUCKIE TIPS #3: LIVE MUSIC

Truckie sources unwilling to give their name or affiliation for fear of being given extra wheels to polish, suggest a night out at live-music club/bar Babylon. What music you get on any particular night is down to luck, with everything from traditional jazz to hip hop, but the lively crowd are mostly there for the atmosphere. Opening hours over the weekend are 10.30pm-3am.
Babylon, Seyhbender Sokak 3,
Tünel, Beyoglu.
T: +90 212 292 73 68

TRUCKIE TIPS #2: NIGHTLIFE

The RBR logistics crew recommend the Bebek district as a destination for those wanting a refined evening out. Below the Fatih Sultan Mehmet bridge on the European side, this affluent neighbourhood is filled with eateries and nightlife. It tends to be expensive, but has some of the best fish restaurants in Europe. The café-bar Poseidon is one of the better-known venues.
Poseidon, Cevdetpaia St. 58, Küçük, Bebek.
T: +90 212 263 38 23





PADDOCK PERSON'S TIP: TARA RAMOS, PARTY PLANNER AND CELEBRITY FIXER

"The problem with coming to Istanbul this early in the year is that a lot of the open-air locations that the city is famous for are shut. For food, I recommend Paper Moon Milano (Akmerkez, Etiler, T: +90 212 282 1616), which has traditional Italian cuisine with a wood-burning pizza oven and the most beautiful girls I've ever seen. It was rated Istanbul's number one restaurant in 2004."

REQUIRED VIEWING #2: MARIONETTE MADNESS

Today is your last chance to see a show in the 11th Istanbul International Puppet Festival. Featuring top puppeteering companies from around the world, the shows on offer include everything from Grimm Brothers fairy tales to an adaptation of Alfred Hitchcock's Psycho. The last performance is at 8.30pm at the Italian Culture Centre, Mesrutiyet Caddesi, 161 Tepebası Kukla Istanbul Taksim Akarcası Sokak, 4 Taksim. Tickets cost 20 YTL and can be purchased at the venue an hour before the event.





REQUIRED VIEWING #3: STUNNING PHOTOS

Juergen Teller, one of the world's most influential fashion photographers, is showing a major exhibition of his work, called Nürnberg, at Istanbul's Galerist gallery. Known for his unconventional, unglamorous approach to subjects, this show focuses on images of Teller's childhood home and his own children, and also includes – somewhat randomly – a nude study of British supermodel Lily Cole (left). The exhibition starts tomorrow and runs until June 14.
Galerist, Istiklal Cad, Misir Apt. 311/4 Beyoglu.

TRUCKIE TIPS #4: MYSTERY TASTE TEST

Truckie Tips wouldn't be complete without an offering from Bridgestone tyre technician and raconteur Mr Kieran Byrne, who gave us his usual helpful offering: "There's this really good restaurant we went to last year in Istanbul. I can't remember where it is, and I don't know what it's called, but if you find it, have the steak, it's terrific." Thanks, Kieran – have you considered a career as a chocolate teapot?





REQUIRED DANCING #1: DISCO INFERNO

If you're looking for a place to dance tonight, British indie DJs Simian Mobile Disco will be spinning tunes at Indigo from 11pm. The beats will be funky and electronic, the crowd will be young and cool, and if your hips don't move, you should probably visit a hospital on the way home. Just remember to arrange your hotel wake-up call before you go. Entry costs 25 YTL (about 12 euros).
Indigo, Istiklal Cad, Tomtom Mah,
Akarsu sokak, No: 1-2-4-5,
Galatasaray.

RED HOT TURKISH DELIGHTS

Here's our pick of Istanbul's best venues to check out with Red Bull Nights Out

REINA

Less of a club and more of a vast entertainment emporium, this massive venue includes several bars, restaurants and dancefloors that can accommodate more than 2,500 people – cosy! Packed with Turkish celebrities, models, millionaires and media players, the restaurants offer everything from Italian and sushi to more traditional local fare. Located at the foot of the European side of the Bosphorus bridge, Reina has breathtaking views of the Beylerbeyi Palace.

Muallim Naci Cad. No: 44 Orkaköy/Istanbul
T: + 90 212 259 59 19

CRYSTAL

Why Crystal? Because this underground club has a crystal-clear sound system that pumps out the best in all types of house music. Established in 2006, Crystal is open every Friday and Saturday until 5.30am. The club hosts up-and-coming DJs from around the world, and this Friday, Berlin-based Sebo K will be playing his unique blend of minimal techno and classic deep house. If you like the sound of that, you get free entry with the Red Bull F1 guide.

Muallim Naci Cad. No: Ortaköy/Istanbul
T: +90 212 229 71 52



GILT BAR

If it's slick and sophisticated you're after, check out the gold and black décor and European cuisine of Gilt, on the top floor of Harvey Nichols. Opened in 2006, it forms part of a state-of-the-art design project, and is definitely worth a visit, whether you're after fine wine or champagne to go with your meal, or just looking for the chance to buy some really top-quality products from its gourmet market. Take along your Red Bull F1 guide for free access.

Kanyon Alisveris Merkezi Büyükdere Cad. No: 185 4 Levent/Istanbul

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Who's Who?

Fascinating facts about some paddock regulars.

RICCARDO NERI
Like Miami Vice's super-slick Ricardo Tubbs, Toyota's pitboard man is known simply as 'Rico'. He's from Varese in Italy and is one of F1's keenest clubbers. Rico says Montreal's discos are among the best he's visited. Before Toyota he was with Minardi, and he started his career as a go-kart mechanic. Rico thinks yellow sunglasses are de rigueur this season.

FREDERIQUE DALE
Shell hospitality manager Freddie describes herself as: "Recently single, highly grouchy and a reformed smoker." Half French, half British, she comes from a winemaking family, went to an all-girls school in the west of England and studied French and politics with tourism management at university. Her guiltiest pleasure is Sambuca.

MICHAEL ZIMMERMANN
Wondered why Toyota is now the chosen meeting spot for Bernie and the team principals? Maybe it's because Toyota's new hospitality manager is the son of paddock catering wizard Karl-Heinz Zimmermann. A paddock regular since he was a baby, Michael has been away for eight years studying hospitality and working in Bangkok and Chicago.

RHYS EDWARDS
Former KHP man Rhys has now joined Renault where he looks after the ING account. He lived in both Melbourne and Bahrain for a year when he was working with the GP corporations. After a few late nights in Australia this year, he has now been given a curfew by the team. Hangovers are overcome by wearing one of the 28 pairs of sunglasses he owns.



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1 Jacky Ickx was on pole here, but who lined up beside him on the front row.

2 The blue and yellow Brabhams were driven by which pairing here?

3 How many victories did Ferrari score this season and who scored them?

4 François Cevert is seen climbing into his number 6 Tyrrell but where did he finish the race?

5 This Ferrari had which designation?

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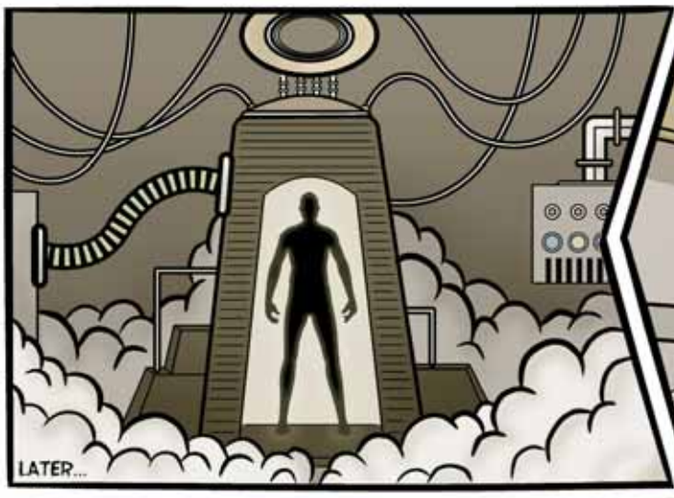
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