

Born in 1966

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FAMOUS BIRTHS

Paul Hollywood - Eric Cantona
David Cameron
Gordon Ramsay
Kiefer Sutherland
John Cusack
Mike Tyson - Phil Tufnell
Halle Berry - Roger Black
Adam Sandler - Cindy Crawford
Rick Astley - Samantha Fox



KEY STATS

World Population: 3.42 billion
UK Population: 54.7 M
Prime Minister: Harold Wilson
USA Population: 195.6 M
President: Lyndon B. Johnson
Australia Population: 11.6 M
Prime Minister: Harold Holt
Pint of Beer: £0.125
Pint of Milk: £0.04
Large Loaf of Bread: £0.06
Average House Price: £3,558
Ford Cortina Car: £659



FAMOUS DEATHS

Buster Keaton - C. S. Forester
Evelyn Waugh - Walt Disney
Montgomery Clift - Lenny Bruce

FAMOUS MARRIAGES

July 19: Frank Sinatra (50) marries actress Mia Farrow (21) in Las Vegas.

PUBLISHED IN 66

Hell's Angels - Hunter S. Thompson
Valley of the Dolls - Jacqueline Susann
Fantastic Voyage - Isaac Asimov
The Virgin Soldiers - Leslie Thomas

GAMES

The board game "Twister" was nicknamed "sex in a box" during its initial release due to its perceived risqué nature.

HIGHLIGHT OF 66

30 July - England beat West Germany 4-2 to win the World Cup at Wembley attracting an all-time record UK television audience of over 32 million.

IN THE NEWS

The Chinese Cultural Revolution officially began in May 1966.

The Severn Bridge opens for traffic.

Ronnie Kray shoots George Cornell dead at The Blind Beggar pub in Whitechapel.

The Jules Rimet Trophy was stolen whilst on exhibition in London.

The Beatles release their *Revolver* album.

The first drive-through safari park outside Africa opened at Longleat.

John Lennon's comment: "We're more popular than Jesus now," sparks controversy in the United States.

Carnaby Street and Swinging London made April's *Time* magazine cover story.

Notting Hill Carnival gains popularity.

The Aberfan disaster, a tragic landslide, occurred on October 21.

Postcode system expands nationally.

TOP 10 UK SINGLES



- 01 Distant Drums - Jim Reeves
- 02 Strangers In The Night - Frank Sinatra
- 03 Yellow Submarine / Eleanor Rigby - The Beatles
- 04 Reach Out I'll Be There - The Four Tops
- 05 These Boots Are Made For Walkin' - Nancy Sinatra
- 06 The Sun Ain't Gonna Shine Anymore - The Walker Brothers
- 07 Green Green Grass Of Home - Tom Jones
- 08 Sunny Afternoon - The Kinks
- 09 With A Girl Like You - The Troggs
- 10 Pretty Flamingo - Manfred Mann

FILMS

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?
The Good, the Bad and the Ugly
A Man for All Seasons

TELEVISION

Star Trek premiered on September 6, 1966, on Canada's CTV network.

Julie Goodyear makes her *Coronation Street* debut as Bet Lynch.

A *Carry On* comedy film is shown on UK television for the first time, with ITV broadcasting *Carry On Sergeant*.

The Frost Report, which launched the TV careers of Ronnie Barker, Ronnie Corbett, and John Cleese is broadcast.

Camberwick Green, *It's a Knockout*, *The Monkees*, *Batman* and the BBC1 sitcom *Till Death Us Do Part* are first broadcast.

TV drama *Cathy Come Home* is broadcast on BBC1's *The Wednesday Play*.

The Beatles make their only live *Top of The Pops* appearance on 16 June with their new single 'Paperback Writer'.



WINNERS

Wimbledon Men's: Manuel Santana
Women's: Billie Jean King
British Golf Open: Jack Nicklaus
First Division Title: Liverpool
FA Cup final: Everton
World Formula One: Jack Brabham
BBC Sports Personality: Bobby Moore

MUSIC

Bob Dylan was accused of betraying folk music. At his Manchester show, fans booed, with one shouting "Judas!" during his electric set.

Young singer David Jones changes his last name to Bowie to avoid confusion with Davy Jones.

John Lennon meets Yoko Ono when he attends a preview of her art exhibition at the Indica Gallery in London.

Pet Sounds is the eleventh studio album by the American rock band the Beach Boys.

CELEBRITY

Twiggy was named "The Face of 1966" by the Daily Express and voted British Woman of the Year.