

Born in 1968

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FAMOUS BIRTHS

Daniel Craig – Hugh Jackman
Owen Wilson

Lucy Liu

Gillian Anderson

Kylie Minogue

Chris Boardman – Naomi Watts

Will Smith – Lisa Marie Presley

Patsy Kensit – Rhod Gilbert

Matthew Le Tissier – Brian Cox



KEY STATS

World Population: 3.53 billion

UK Population: 55.2 M

Prime Minister: Harold Wilson

USA Population: 199.53 M

President: Lyndon B. Johnson

Australia Population: 12.0 M

Prime Minister: John Gorton

Pint of Beer: £0.30

Pint of Milk: £0.044

Large Loaf of Bread: £0.07

Average House Price: £3,996

Ford Cortina Car: £809

FAMOUS DEATHS

Martin Luther King Jr – Jim Clark

Tony Hancock – Helen Keller

Yuri Gagarin – John Steinbeck

Robert F. Kennedy

FAMOUS MARRIAGES

Feb 20 - Future *Monty Python* comedian John Cleese (28) weds American actress Connie Booth (27)

PUBLISHED

Arthur C. Clarke's novel
2001: A Space Odyssey

FILMS

2001: A Space Odyssey
Rosemary's Baby – Funny Girl
Planet of the Apes – Bullitt

LONDON BRIDGE

18 April – London Bridge sold to American entrepreneur Robert P. McCulloch, for £1,029,000, who rebuilds it at Lake Havasu City, Arizona.

IN THE NEWS

Enoch Powell makes his controversial Rivers of Blood Speech on immigration, in Birmingham.

Mr. Frederick West becomes the UK's first heart transplant patient.

The Abortion Act 1967 comes into effect, legalising abortion on a number of grounds.

The start of Ford sewing machinists strike at the Dagenham assembly plant.

Martin Luther King Jr. is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee by James Earl Ray.

Robert F. Kennedy is assassinated in Los Angeles by Sirhan Sirhan,

The General Post Office divides post into first-class and second-class services.

The M1 motorway is completed.

Czechoslovakia is jointly invaded by four fellow Warsaw Pact countries.

The Khmer Rouge is officially formed in Cambodia as an offshoot movement of the Vietnam People's Army.

Dick Fosbury wins Olympic gold in the high jump using his Fosbury flop technique.

The island of Mauritius achieves independence from the UK.

TOP 10 UK SINGLES



- 01 What A Wonderful World / Cabaret – Louis Armstrong
- 02 Those Were The Days – Mary Hopkin
- 03 I Pretend – Des O'Connor
- 04 The Good, The Bad And The Ugly – Hugo Montenegro
- 05 Young Girl – Union Gap
- 06 Mony Mony – Tommy James & The Shondells
- 07 Hey Jude – The Beatles
- 08 Baby Come Back – The Equals
- 09 Cinderella Rockefella – Esther & Abi Ofarim
- 10 Delilah – Tom Jones

TELEVISION

Gardeners' World debuts on BBC1 television, featuring Percy Thrower.

BBC television sitcom *Dad's Army* is broadcast for the first time in the UK.

The colour television licence is introduced when a £5 "colour supplement" is added to the £5 monochrome licence fee.

The popular Yugoslavian and West German produced children's series *The White Horses* is shown on BBC1.

Mary Hopkin performs on the British TV show *Opportunity Knocks*.

Joe 90, *Please Sir!*, *Sportsnight*, and *The Basil Brush Show* all debut on TV.

The Bee Gees make their American television debut.



WINNERS

Wimbledon Men's: Rod Laver

Women's: Billie Jean King

British Golf Open: Gary Player

First Division Title: Manchester City

FA Cup final: West Bromwich Albion

World Formula One: Graham Hill

BBC Sports Personality:

David Hemery

MUSIC

The Sound of Music soundtrack album exceeds 2 million sales in the UK, meaning that one in four homes with a record player has the recording.

David Gilmour joins Pink Floyd.

Led Zeppelin perform for the first time, billed as The New Yardbirds.

Cliff Richard finishes in second place, with "Congratulations" in Eurovision.

CELEBRITY

Petula Clark is the recipient of an international award for the highest worldwide sales by a female artist.

INDUSTRY

The Ford Escort car is introduced to replace the Anglia.