# **Born in 1970**

## **FAMOUS BIRTHS**

Uma Thurman - Matt Damon Melania Trump – Jo Frost Naomi Campbell River Pheonix Warwick Davis - Simon Pegg Jason Orange - Doddie Weir

#### **KEY STATS**

World Population: 3.7 billion **UK Population:** 55.57 M Prime Minister: Wilson/Heath **USA Population:** 203.4 M **President:** Richard Nixon **Australia Population:** 12.7 M

Pint of Beer: 15p Pint of milk: 5p



Heinz baked beans: 7.5p Average House Price: £ 4500 Ford Cortina car: £882

Prime Minister: John Gorton

## **FAMOUS DEATHS**

Jimi Hendrix – Janis Joplin Charles de Gaulle – Sonny Liston Mark Rothko - Bertrand Russell E. M. Forster - Gypsy Rose Lee

## **MARRIAGE**

David Bowie (23) weds British model Angie Barnett (20), at Bromley Register Office.

#### **FILMS**

M\*A\*S\*H - Love StoryRyan's Daughter – Airport Little Big Man

#### BUSINESS

The first Iceland frozen food supermarket opens in Oswestry. Richard Branson starts the Virgin

Group with mail order records.

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

"Houston, we've had a problem." — The Apollo 13 mission suffers a serious malfunction but returned safely to Earth.

Concorde makes its first supersonic flight.

The world's first jumbo jet, the Boeing 747, makes its first commercial flight.

The Aswan Dam in Egypt is completed.

## **SPORT**

Brazil win the World Cup in Mexico. As three time winners, they get to keep the Jules Rimet Trophy permanently.

Feyenoord win the European Cup after a 2–1 win over Celtic.

Martin Peters becomes the nation's first £200,000 footballer in his transfer from West Ham United to Tottenham Hotspur.

## IN THE NEWS

The age of majority for most legal purposes is reduced from 21 to 18.

5p and 10p coins were introduced ahead of full decimal currency in 1971.

Thor Heyerdahl Crosses the Atlantic on the papyrus boat *Ra II*.

Tonga gains independence from the UK.

American rock musician Jimi Hendrix dies of an overdose, age 27, in London.

#### TOP 10 UK SINGLES

01 The Wonder Of You - Elvis Presley

**02** In The Summertime - Mungo Jerry

03 Band Of Gold - Freda Payne

**04** Bridge Over Troubled Water

- Simon & Garfunkel

**05** Two Little Boys - Rolf Harris

06 Wand'rin' Star - Lee Marvin

07 Spirit In The Sky - Norman

Greenbaum

**08** Back Home – England World Cup Squad

09 All Right Now - Free

10 Yellow River - Christie

## **TELEVISION**

Jon Pertwee makes his first appearance as the Third Doctor in the Doctor Who.

ITV introduces the first UK studio panel of pundits, with Brian Moore and Jimmy Hill analysing the World Cup.

The popular American children's show The Banana Splits first airs on BBC1.

A Question of Sport first airs on BBC1.

The first colour edition of Blue Peter airs on BBC1.

The final episode of Andy Pandy.

# WINNERS

Wimbledon Men's: John Newcombe Women's: Margaret Court British Golf Open: Jack Nicklaus First Division Title: Everton FA Cup final: Chelsea Formula One: Jochen Rindt **BBC Sports Personality:** Henry Cooper

# **MUSIC**

"All Kinds of Everything", sung by Dana wins the Eurovision Song Contest.

Black Sabbath release their debut album, credited as the first major album in the heavy metal genre.

Simon & Garfunkel release their final album together, Bridge over Troubled Water.

Newcomers Mungo Jerry's debut single "In the Summertime" becomes the bestselling hit of the year.

Paul McCartney publicly announces that he has left The Beatles.

The Beatles' last LP, Let It Be, is released.

The first Glastonbury Festival (then called the Pilton Festival) was held, with tickets at £1 including free milk from the farm.

## MODERN CULTURE

The first Page Three girl appears in *The Sun* newspaper.