

# BERTHOLLET'S PRESS REVIEW

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## SOCIETY :

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### **Easter Island fire causes 'irreparable' damage to famous Moai statues**

This week, fires have ravaged part of Easter Island. These fires, destroying everything in their path, also damaged some Moai statues. In addition to being the symbol of this island, these statues are recognized as World Heritage by UNESCO and their degradation is a sign of the destruction of history as the construction of these statues remains mysterious.

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/oct/07/easter-island-fire-causes-irreparable-damage-to-famous-moai-statues>

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### **10,000 litres a day for each pitch: Qatar World Cup's huge impact on Gulf waters**

Starting in November, the 2022 World Cup organised by Qatar will have a huge environmental impact. The maintenance of the pitches will require thousands of litres of water per day and, due to the inaccessibility of fresh water in the region, the production of water will be based on desalinisation. This process uses tons of fossil fuels every day and damages the marine environment.

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2022/oct/07/10000-litres-day-pitch-qatar-world-cup-huge-impact-gulf-waters>



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### **Canada buys land in France's Juno Beach due to condo plan**

Canada will contribute 4 million Canadian dollars to buy back part of Juno beach, France, to help stop the construction of buildings on the historic site. It was one of the beaches of the D-Day landings, which started the liberation of Europe from Nazi Germany, and where thousands of Canadians died.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-63177891.amp>



*The Juno Beach Centre was erected 20 years ago in France to commemorate Canadian WWII soldiers.*

## **POLITICS :**

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### **Thailand attack: 'I am full of pain and anger'**

Thailand is in mourning after 37 people at a nursery, mostly children, killed in mass stabbing and shooting by former policeman. After that the attacker returned home where he shot his wife and step-son before killing himself. Police said Kamrab, who was due in court on drug charge, was also fired in June for drug possession.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-63168077>

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### **Crimea bridge partly reopens after huge explosion - Russia**

Only a few hours after a huge blast, Russia's only bridge to Crimea has apparently reopened. This key supply route for Russia's invasion is the second symbol of Russian power in Crimea to go down, after the sinking of warship Moskva. Just after Putin turned 70, this attack was also one another significant humiliation for Russia and puts Crimea in a position of weakness.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-63183404>



## **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY :**

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### **Stem cell patch surgery to mend spina bifida in the womb**

Spina bifida is a disease that affects 0.13 percent of newborns caused by a malformation of the spine that can lead to severe physical and mental disabilities, some vertebrae are poorly closed which leads to leaks of cerebrospinal fluid. Fortunately, surgeons have recently been able to close the gaps while babies were still in their mother's womb.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/health-63155654>



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### **Tiny reptile unearthed in Scotland was closely related to pterosaurs**

After more than a century of debate, thanks to computed tomography scans, the scientists finally agree on the nature of this small reptile and his family tree.

<https://www.theguardian.com/science/2022/oct/05/scleromochlus-taylori-reptile-unearthed-scotland-related-pterosaurs>