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Pictures of the week: Edinburgh Fringe, a mass confessional and sports



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Performers from Afrique en Cirque during a photocall at the Mound in Edinburgh, ahead of their performances throughout the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (PA)

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TRENDING

1. Australia edges France on penalty kicks to reach Women's World Cup semifinals for the first time
2. Damar Hamlin set to take next step in comeback bid in Bills' preseason game against Colts
3. Damar Hamlin timeline from injury to return to Bills
4. England captain Harry Kane says he is leaving Tottenham ahead of expected move to Bayern Munich
5. Rybakina outlasts Kasatkina in marathon Montreal tennis match that ended at 2:54 a.m.

(AFP/Getty)

Art installation *Shattered Souls ... in a Sea of Silence* by Dennis Josef Meseg in front of Cologne Cathedral, Germany.



(AP)

A priest listens to confession in a row of confessionals set up for pilgrims arriving for international World Youth Day at a park in Lisbon.



(AP)

A boy rides a scooter through a fountain in Seoul, South Korea.



(Reuters)

Workers dismount a Soviet emblem from the shield of the 'Motherland' monument, at a compound of the World War II museum in Kyiv, Ukraine.



(AFP/Getty)

Chloe Kelly celebrates scoring England's fifth goal against China in the Women's World Cup Group D match at Hindmarsh Stadium in Adelaide, Australia.



(Reuters)

A whale carcass is hoisted onto a ship after the discovery of the dead mammal in Hong Kong waters sparked anger on social media.



(Reuters)

A devotee collects *Panchamrit* – a mixture of milk, water, yoghurt, sugar and honey – at Makhan Pashupatinath temple during the Shrawan Sombar festival in Kathmandu, Nepal.



(AFP /Getty)

Stuart Broad celebrates taking the final wicket as England beat Australia by 49 runs to win the fifth Test at The Oval and end the Ashes series all square at 2-2. The bowler announced he would be retiring from cricket days before.



(EPA)

Members of the Yolngu people perform the Bunggul traditional dance during the Garma Festival of Traditional Cultures in East Arnhem Land, Northern Territory, Australia. EPA

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