



Island of Boracay in the Philippines to close

The island of Boracay in the Philippines will be closed to tourists for six months following concerns of damage to its beaches. A spokesperson said the closure would begin on 26th April.

The island, known for its white-sand beaches, had nearly 2 million visitors last year. The decision has caused worry for the thousands of people who work in Boracay's busy tourist trade.

The decision comes after fears over the island's environmental health. Officials had warned businesses had been releasing wastewater into the waters around the island.



Pictured: The island of Boracay.

Fake treehouses used by the BBC



Pictured: The tree houses built for the documentary.

A scene from the BBC's Human Planet series, which featured a tribe in Indonesia, used tree houses that had been built just for the television programme.

In the episode, a local tribe were shown moving into a treehouse as their real home.

But during recent filming for a different programme, the tribe said the houses were made just for filming. At the time, this information wasn't made clear and people were led to believe the houses were built and lived in by local people.



Saudi Arabia's first cinema in 35 years set to open!



Pictured: A traditional cinema screen.

The first cinema in Saudi Arabia for more than 35 years will open on 18th April and will show the film, Black Panther. The past year has seen the start of a big effort to bring entertainment to Saudi Arabia.

A plan, called 'Vision 2030' hopes to bring positive changes for the country and is led by the Crown Prince, Mohammed bin Salman.

Saudi Arabia last had cinemas in the 1970s, but they were closed as they were thought to show inappropriate content.

Female first aiders sent off sumo ring



A group of female first aiders who ran over to help a man who collapsed in a sumo ring in Japan were ordered by a referee to leave the ring, because women are not allowed in the area. The ring is regarded as sacred and women, in this instance seen as "impure", are forbidden from entering. They ran into the ring when a local mayor fainted while giving a speech.

The head of Japan's sumo association later apologised to the women.

Do you think this should have been allowed? Let us know your thoughts!

Pictured: A typical Sumo Wrestling fight.



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