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C Clair DuFourd 00:00
Mike, good afternoon. Thanks for joining us today. I'm Claire Dufourd.

W Wyatt Gilliland 00:15
And I'm Wyatt Gilliland here at today's top stories, the Toronto rapper known as Top 5 walked free yesterday. Hassan Ali had been in jail since 2021 on murder charges, but much of the evidence that put him behind bars was deemed inadmissible yesterday by a judge. Top Five was charged in the murder of a 20 year old accounting student, Hashim Omar Hashi, who had no ties to any crime,

C Clair DuFourd 00:42
There will be a special meeting of the Toronto District School Board tomorrow to figure out what went wrong during a school trip last week. It was supposed to be an educational visit to Grange Park to learn about the grassy narrows First Nations fight for clean water. Instead, students found themselves in the middle of a pro Palestinian rally, Premier Doug Ford said he will hold accountable the people responsible.

W Wyatt Gilliland 01:06
Whether you live in Toronto or commuting for work or school or whether you're just an occasional visitor, you'll know Toronto is a very noisy place. Here's reporter Mehmet Oner with a story about the city and what others are trying to do about it.

M Mehmet Oner 01:26

The reason you can't hear me, it's not a technical issue. It's the city's overwhelming noise from long movers to cars, motorcycles and traffic noise. Back in June, the bylaw of governing noise got a little bit stricter, and in July, more restrictions were phased in, so that by now, a whole new set of noise by law are in effect. But will they make a difference? Ingrid, podé founded the organization no more noise Toronto three years ago, one



thing that I do is I study noise at the bedroom window, and so the noise levels that I am finding at the bedroom window is anywhere from 85 decibels. 85

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Mehmet Oner 02:10

decibels is actually pretty loud, about like a food blender or an air conditioner or a vacuum cleaner. The updated noise, by law brings in several key changes, like lowering the above decibel levels and tighter restrictions on motor vehicle noise. Residents can report noise more easily by calling 311, or filing a complaint online on the City of Toronto website. But Ingrid Buddha's group runs an alternative to 311. Do not 311. Port to receive 12,000 noise complaints from the beginning of 2022 to August 2023, the most complaints come in Sundays and Mondays. Not surprisingly, most complaints come at night time. Bart melons lives with her husband in Yorkville during summer months, they are regularly disturbed by the music and noise coming from nearby bars and restaurants.

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Katie Bell 03:08

I'm only concerned about the sleeping hours, so it's 10 o'clock, it will start, and it will be the sound of bass, constant bass and some vocal music excessively loud.

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Mehmet Oner 03:24

After reporting the issue to 311, without success, she turned to not 311, Ingrid boudet then showed up at the door and installed matters to measure sound levels. Based on the data, boudet collected Barb melons and her husband made plans to escalate their complaint to the city in the coming months. How much mean by law will reduce noise pollution in the city. We will see, or rather, we will hear, fall on the record, I am Mehmet on

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Clair DuFourd 03:56

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau made a splash with Stephen Colbert last night, he made a surprise appearance on The Late Night Show where Colbert and Trudeau talked about issues facing Canadians. The Prime Minister got a big round of applause when he poked fun at the US for not having universal health care.



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Wyatt Gilliland 04:12

Next week sees the opening of a new session at Queen's Park. The Ford government is planning to table legislation that would ban bike lanes on major city streets across the province. The government says it's a way of combating traffic congestion, but Toronto Mayor Olivia Chow says it's a bad idea that will only make traffic worse



for drivers trying to get around our city. There's now yet another challenge, and as we hear in this story from S Sadeeq Ahmed, if drivers fail the challenge, they'll face huge new fines.



S. Saadeq Ahmed 04:51

If you're one of those drivers with the bad habit of ending up in the middle of an intersection as the light turns red, we have news for you. I. The city announced last week increased fines for drivers who block intersections. This is part of an ongoing commitment to reduce traffic congestion. The fine for an improper stop at an intersection, also known as blocking the box, has been increased from 90 to \$450 blocking the box is when a driver enters an intersection on a green or yellow signal and there is no way to clear the intersection before the light changes to red. Blocking the box is a serious safety concern that puts vulnerable road users at risk and disrupts traffic flow, said Mayor Olivia Chow In an official statement, this fine increase reflects her commitment to ensuring Toronto streets are safe for pedestrians and cyclists and reduce congestion that frustrates all road users, and an improper stop at an intersection is not the only fine. Increase. Stops done in a community safety zone have increased from 120 to \$500 the increased fines are an attempt at encouraging responsible driving behavior as part of the city's congestion management plan.



None of these amplified fees will remove the root causes of road congestion, and I believe those are bike lanes, the parking lanes, interminable road construction, which again blocks roads and the glacial pace of transit improvement projects.



Car owners like Steve Nicoloff think that the increases are just too much. I don't think it's gonna affect the traffic, the price increase,



the budget's gonna get more full, and the traffic is gonna stay



the traffic is gonna stay the same. The city is also exploring the use of technology such as

the frame is going to stay the same. The city is also exploring the use of technology, such as cameras. This will allow for automated enforcement of these measures. However, this will require provincial approval that has yet to be given with fines that are bound to make a dent on people's purses. The city can only hope that these measures will help address Toronto's traffic problem for on the record news this sound Academy,



and now we join this week's live host Laviza Syed, She's downstairs in the OTR newsroom to tell us about the stories our reporters and producers are working on this week.



Laviza Syed 07:17

Thanks, Wyatt. Minimum wage is going up in Ontario one week from today, and in our newsroom, OTR reporter Krista Sheppard is chasing a story on whether small businesses can afford the higher pay rate the minimum wage will rise by nearly 4% climbing to \$17.20 Our reporter Krista will talk to owners of small businesses such as coffee shops and record stores, and that will be on our news website later this week. In local news, the City of Toronto has new noise reduction policies, and as we just heard in the piece from Mehmed oner, there are new bylaws governing noise in the city on our website later this week, Mehmed will have even more details on the story, so watch out for that. One reporter Hasina arjuman, has a story for us, which we can't tell you too much about, but if she can nail it down, you won't want to miss it. Let's just say it involves a prominent Canadian rapper, and that's really all I can say for now. Lastly, our newsroom reporters will be hitting the streets for this week's podcast. They're asking Tmu students about the student union and what they think that tmsu does for them. Be sure to visit on the record on the record news.ca to catch the podcast episode and the many news stories going live this week. That's all for now. Wyatt and Claire, back to you in the studio.



Clair DuFourd 08:45

The finalists of the 2024 Toronto women's Film Festival held at Innis Town Hall on Sunday, are excited for the future of women in the industry. Katie Bell has more.




Katie Bell 08:55

The festival is meant to support women in the film industry by featuring women directors and stories that center on women from across the world. The stories cover topics like mental health and breast ironing. Kayla Aaron directs the film leaving Yellowstone. Her film is on the topic of domestic violence.




Representation does matter, and getting these stories to bigger audiences so they can feel validated or connected with the story one way or another, I think is extremely important.

 Katie Bell 09:23

Data from the Center for the Study of Women in television and film shows a new record for women in 2023 to 2024 the majority of documentaries shown at major film festivals in the US are directed by women. This is a first, but men still direct the majority of narrative features. Kayla's film is one of those. It's a lot of women



and people, not necessarily only women, really identify with this story, which is, you know, really sad. But what I think that these people get from, or that, you know, survivors and people can get from a film like this, is. Is validation to know that you're not the only one who's gone through an experience like this. Joseph 2k

 Katie Bell 10:06

created the documentary women's work on birth workers in Utah.



Women's stories, aren't I just find aren't just for women, or because there's also, like in my film, there's also the children, and then there's also the husbands and the family members who are giving support in traditional ways and and I think if we don't highlight women stories that are specific to women, then in one way, men can't learn those things. The festival

 Katie Bell 10:45

has been happening every year for the past five years, but this year, there were only about 15 people in attendance. This leaves the question, how in demand are these women only film festivals for on the record, I'm Katie Bell.



Now we'll head over to Olivia Harbin to bring us up to speed on everything entertainment.

 Olivia 11:06

Milan Fashion Week has come to a close. After an eventful six days, there were more than 50 collections on the various catwalks looking ahead to spring and summer 2025 and of course, all the big design houses were there, Fendi, Prada Gucci and the hot looks well, there was what they called Mediterranean wheats desert where the brightest colors of southern Europe were splashed against the sandy tones of North Africa. And Fendi brought 100 year old vibe to the show celebrating the founding of House of Fendi in Rome a century ago, chief designer Kim Jones created lines and silhouettes reminiscent of the flappers. Anna Wintour of Vogue

magazine was in the front row, as she always is, and your favorite Material Girl, Madonna was also there. Dolce and Gabbana brought a line of clothing inspired by Madonna's 1990s tour Blonde Ambition. The year saw the return to Milan of the black Carpet Awards celebrating people of color who work in Italy across a variety of sectors, not just fashion. The Virgil Abloh award was introduced this year as a tribute to the celebrated American designer who died in 2021 the award went to Romy calzado, who was born in Cuba but moved to Italy as a child. She praised the late creative saying he would be proud of the recognition the nominees and winners have received in box office news, Halloween has already taken over ticket sales 36 years after the original people are heading to theaters to watch Tim Burton's new Beetlejuice sequel called Beetlejuice. Beetlejuice, it's in its third week of cinemas, and for the third weekend in a row, it has stayed at the top with worldwide ticket sales totaling nearly 330 million US dollars, the new Transformers, one movie, which was expected to go head to head with Burton sequel, has been left behind, debuting over the weekend, the Transformers movie has earned 39 million US dollars while Beetlejuice. Beetlejuice earned 41 point 5 million in opening day alone. Finally, the famous September singing band Earth Wind and Fire have announced a documentary and released their directorial pick over the weekend. The Roots drummer Questlove will be joining as director of the film after winning an Academy Award for his directing of summer of soul, a film based in Harlem during the 1960s Questlove is looking forward to this project. He posted a screenshot of a variety news article on Instagram that headlines his directorial role with the caption, gratitude for at Earth, Wind and Fire with on the record, news, entertainment. I'm Olivia Harvin.



There's a severe weather alert in effect for Toronto tonight and into tomorrow. The city and surrounding areas could see up to 50 millimeters between late this afternoon and tomorrow morning. Hssena Arjmand has a weather look ahead.



Hssena 14:25

Thank you. This is on the record weather. It's a rainy day for the GTA today, we're looking at a high of 19 degrees with some showers, so be sure to have your umbrella handy if you're heading out. St Catharines will reach a high of 21 degrees, while Barry sits at 18 degrees. Mississauga and Oshawa are both looking at highs of 19 degrees. And as we move into Wednesday, it's still a bit of a rain check. Temperatures will rise slightly to 21 degrees, with more showers expected. But don't worry, the rainy weather won't dampen your spirits for too long. As we head into the second half of the week. Things start to brighten up. Thursday will bring a high of 22 degrees and mostly sunny skies, perfect for some outdoor plans. Friday follows with more sunshine and a high of 20 degrees, and we'll see similar conditions on Saturday and Sunday, with temperatures reaching 19 degrees under mostly sunny skies. Make sure you take advantage of the great weather this week before temperatures start to drop, and that's your weather update. Enjoy the rest of your day. For on the record, I'm Hasina arjmand.



Thanks, Hssena. And finally, we go to Abbie North for the latest on and off the field. Here she is with this week's Sports Update.

A**Abbie North 15:41**

Thanks. The Toronto Maple Leafs kicked off preseason on Sunday with a six to five overtime loss to the Ottawa Senators. Austin Matthews made his debut as captain, and it was also a debut for the least new coach, Craig Barabur. The first cuts of the season were made at training camp, and on Saturday, five players were invited to return to their junior teams. And if you're a fan who prefers watching the Leafs play from the comfort of your own home, you'll be able to do that, although only for six games out of 82 scheduled this season. Those games will be on Amazon Prime, and where sports meets tech, Rogers Communications is in the process of buying out Bell's share of Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment. But if the Rogers \$4.7 billion buyout does go ahead, Rogers will then own 75% of MLSE. Up until now, Bell has had a 37 and a half percent stake in MLSE, the same as Rogers. The rest is owned by the chairman of the company, Larry Tanenbaum. Bell says it's selling its ownership stake to reduce debt and to advance its transformation from a telecommunications firm to a tech company. So what does this mean for Toronto fans? Well, Rogers ownership of the men's pro sports franchises, the Leafs, the Raptors, the Argos and TFC could mean, among other things, higher ticket prices. The purchase still needs approval from the various MLSE franchises, and that's expected by the middle of next year. Rogers already owns the Toronto Blue Jays, so once it also holds a 75% share of MLSE, it will have become a sports media powerhouse, and for you hockey fans, it's time to blow the dust off those wooden sticks for a good cause. 1000s of people will gather in Vaughan this Saturday for a one day tournament called Road Hockey to Conquer Cancer. It will feature roughly 150 teams. The annual fundraiser brings in millions for research at the Princess Margaret Cancer Center. And nine years ago, the tournament set a Guinness World Record for most money raised by a street hockey event. That year, the total was around \$2 million. Organizers have set out to break the record every year since, and this year is no exception. And that's all for sports this week. I'm Abby North, and now back to you in the studio, Claire and Wyatt,

C**Clair DuFour 18:13**

that's all for on the record this September, 24 2024 I'm Claire Dufour,

W**Wyatt Gilliland 18:18**

and I'm Wyatt Gilliland. Join us for on the record next week as we round out the latest stories from the OTR newsroom,

C**Clair DuFour 18:25**

and for the latest 24/7 visit our website at on the record news.ca Have a great day.

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