

NewsOfTheWeek- Roundup:

(week commencing 22/4/24)

Monday:

Politics:

- Foreign Office refuses to share details of Cameron's work on China (The Times- [link](#))
- Sunak U-Turn as Afghan Veterans Exempted From Deportation To Rwanda (Huffpost- [link](#))
- Sunak promises Rwanda deportation flights in July (4 News- [link](#))
- Working for Labour is not a dig at Boris Johnson, says Marina Wheeler (The Times- [link](#))
- Net zero has become 'unhelpful' slogan, says outgoing head of UK climate watchdog (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Michael Gove brands Scottish Government 'a disaster' in the Commons (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Susan Hall election campaign can breaches Ulez rules (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Young people not getting the opportunities they need under Tories, says Starmer (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Government 'out of depth and out of ideas', Starmer says (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Tory candidate dropped after his name appears on leaked 2009 BNP members list (The Mirror- [link](#))
- Tory MP Mark Menzies resigns from party after fraud and misconduct claims (The Times- [link](#))
- Biden administration tightens rules for obtaining medical records related to abortion (The Independent- [link](#))
- US supreme court takes up Biden's 'ghost guns' regulation case (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Biden leads Trump among registered voters in new national poll (The Hill- [link](#))
- RFK Jr railing against 'racially rancid' voter ID laws in unearthed writings (Fox News- [link](#))

Environmental/weather/space:

- UK's Thames Water makes new clean-up pledge in bid to raise prices (Reuters- [link](#))
- Government under pressure to set up green levy on UK imports (The Guardian- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Cost of pro-Palestinian protests 'should be paid by organisers' (The Times- [link](#))
- Government set to ban wet wipes containing plastic to fight water pollution (ITV News- [link](#))
- UK bottle return scheme delayed again (The Times- [link](#))
- Abortion clinic buffer zone law backed by MSP group (BBC News- [link](#))

Global:

- UK to spend 2.5% of GDP on defence by 2030, says Sunak (Reuters- [link](#))
- MoD giving Ukrainian soldiers training in UK free cigarettes to help 'boost morale' (Metro- [link](#))

Tuesday:

Politics:

- Britain to spend 2.5 per cent of GDP on defence by 2030, Rishi Sunak announces (The Independent- [link](#))
- Marjorie Taylor Greene makes wild claim that Democrats want Trump to be 'murdered in jail' (The Independent- [link](#))
- Biden rule grants overtime pay to 4 million US workers (Reuters- [link](#))
- Labour: We'll fund 13,000 more police officers (The Times- [link](#))
- 'Outrageous': Susan Hall hits back after Sadiq Khan calls her 'most dangerous candidate' he's faced (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Football reforms will not damage Premier League, insists Culture Secretary (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Welsh government may reverse 20mph limit on hundreds of roads – but denies U-turn (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Labour leader pledges to tackle rural crime after hearing about armed robbery (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- PM says investments in weapons companies meet ethical criteria (The Independent- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Humanitarian groups demand safe routes to UK after five deaths in Channel (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Six arrests after violence at St George's Day event in central London (Sky News- [link](#))
- Power goes off in House of Lords as peer-mid-way through speech: 'I must have said something controversial' (The Independent- [link](#))
- Rwanda flights will only carry 'couple of dozen' migrants each, ministers indicate (The i- [link](#))

Global:

- Racist violence surges in Greece, report finds (Reuters- [link](#))
- Mass grave found in Gaza as locals say some bodies were stripped with hands (The i- [link](#))
- German climate activists sentenced for spraying paint on Brandenburg Gate (Reuters- [link](#))

Wednesday:

Politics:

- Arizona votes to repeal abortion ban from 1864 (The Times- [link](#))
- Parents outraged by law to let Tennessee teachers carry guns (The Times- [link](#))
- Biden, Trump tied for first time in months in 3-way race with RFK Jr. (The Hill- [link](#))
- 62 percent of Biden voters want to replace both candidate on the ballot: Poll (The Hill- [link](#))
- Labour pledges to renationalise railways within five years if elected in 'biggest overhaul in a generation' (LBC- [link](#))
- Sunak dismisses questions about defence spend increase (4 News- [link](#))
- PMQs descends into chaos as Tory MP attacks Labour with long-winded 'garden tax' question (The Independent- [link](#))
- Jeremy Hunt defends civil service job cuts to increase defence spending (BBC News- [link](#))
- Britain should let migrants drown in Channel, Reform UK deputy leader suggests (The Independent- [link](#))
- SNP too lazy to deal with Horizon scandal, says Kemi Badenoch (The Times- [link](#))

Death

- Seventy Israeli hostages have been killed, says captive (The Telegraph- [link](#))

Environmental/weather/space:

- Report: U.S air pollution worst in 25 years as new environmental regulations finalised (USA Today- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Teenage girl arrested on suspicion of attempted murder after stabbings at school (Sky News- [link](#))
- Cakes and drinks sweetener neotame can damage gut wall, scientists find (The Guardian- [link](#))
- British army provides update after Household Cavalry horses rampage through London (The Independent- [link](#))
- Man accused of wearing headband in support of Hamas said it was a 'statement of faith' (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- JPMorgan Chase is caught in U.S-Russia sanctions war after overseas court orders \$440 million seized from bank (CNBC-[link](#))
- Three men arrested after five people die in Channel boat crossing (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Fauci agrees to testify in Congress on covid origins, pandemic policies (The Washington Post- [link](#))
- 10,000 council staff in England stuck on sick leave, lib dems say (BBC News- [link](#))

Global:

- Joe Biden says \$95bn foreign aid bill will 'make the world safer' (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Cakes and drinks sweetener neotame can damage gut wall, scientists find (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Hunt visits Kyiv and urges allies to 'pile pressure on Putin' (The Independent- [link](#))

Thursday:

Politics:

- SNP risks election annihilation with or without Green Party pact (The Times- [link](#))
- BBC Question Time audience gasps at Tory MP's embarrassing blunder over Rwanda and Congo (The Mirror- [link](#))
- 'Net zero isn't woke, it's a serious thing,' says outgoing head of UK climate watchdog (Sky News- [link](#))
- Ash Regan: Humza Yousaf's defeated leadership rival could hold the key to his political fate (Sky News- [link](#))
- Local Elections: Conservatives face 400 seat loss exclusive analysis reveals (4 News- [link](#))
- Ex- Nato boss challenges Government on 'veracity' of defence spending increase (The Independent- [link](#))
- 'Anti-car targets' to be set by Labour to slash carbon footprints – as plans for renationalising rail services revealed (The Sun- [link](#))
- Rwanda plan will cause 'meltdown' in UK asylum system, Refugee Council says (Sky News- [link](#))
- James Cleverly opposes moves to cut abortion time limit (BBC News- [link](#))
- Macron criticises Sunak's Rwanda plan as politics of 'cynicism' and a betrayal of European values (The Independent- [link](#))
- Ultra-runner Russ Cook joins Prime Minister on run around London Landmarks (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Equalities minister confirms Government is committed to conversion therapy ban (The Independent- [link](#))
- Scoop: House members warned not to block online critics (AXIOS-[link](#))
- Federal judge rejects Trump's latest bid to drop \$83.3m E.Jean Carroll defamation ruling (The Hill- [link](#))
- Biden administration races to safeguard environmental rules from congressional axe (Reuters- [link](#))

Environment/weather:

- Report: U.S air pollution worst in 25 years as new environmental regulations finalised (USA Today- [link](#))
- Campaigners warn climate action must not slow as Greens axed from Government (The Independent- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Shoplifting cases rise nearly 40% in a year as organised criminals let off the hook (The Mirror- [link](#))
- US college protests: Hundreds more arrested across US in Gaza campus protests (BBC News- [link](#))

Global:

- Northern Gaza still heading toward famine, says deputy WFP chief (Reuters- [link](#))
- No way back for UK and Putin after Ukraine invasion, David Cameron says (The Independent- [link](#))

Friday:

Politics:

- Scotland's First Minister says he won't resign as he faces two no confidence votes (4 News- [link](#))
- ONS civil servants refuse to return to the office for two days a week (The Times- [link](#))
- Failure to reinstate UNRWA funding is 'negation of duty' Rishi Sunak told (ITV News- [link](#))
- Grant Shapps: Not the time or place for Tory Leadership battle (The Independent- [link](#))
- Labour 'has an issue with women,' and Keir Starmer failed to back me over trans bullies, claims one of its MPs (The Sun- [link](#))
- Americans largely split on support for Ukraine aid Congress passes deal: Survey (The Hill- [link](#))
- RFK Jr's running mate, Nicole Shanahan, remains in the shadows (ABC News- [link](#))

Environment/weather/space:

- Endangered Ocelots May be Expanding Their Range in Texas (Smithsonian- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- UK summons Russian ambassador as British man allegedly recruited as spy is charged over arson plot (Sky News- [link](#))
- French police use knives to puncture migrant boat in Dunkirk to prevent Channel crossing (LBC- [link](#))
- Snow to hit parts of UK as temperatures predicted to fall to -3C (The i- [link](#))
- Bowhead whales still harmed from whaling that ended a century ago (NewsScientist- [link](#))
- X tells Brazil court 'operational faults' allowed blocked users to remain active (Reuters- [link](#))
- Bristol Water warning ahead of 'Right to Swim' protests across UK (Bristol Live- [link](#))
- Eco charities warning over Bute House Agreement's affect on climate action (Daily Record- [link](#))
- Anti-immigrant camp in Dublin 'not about racism', residents say (Sky News- [link](#))

Global:

- Nato nuclear weapons sent to Poland will be a priority target, Kremlin threatens (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- China warns military "always ready" after US admiral sounds invasion alarm (Newsweek- [link](#))

Saturday:

Politics:

- Top Tory Mp defects to Labour in fury at NHS crisis (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Jeremy Hunt 'set to hold summit to talk up London stock market' (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Rwanda plan is 'absolutely worth trying', says Tory MP (4 News- [link](#))
- Jacob Rees-Mogg says protest was 'legitimate' after he was chased by demonstrators (Sky News- [link](#))
- Constitution Party nominates anti-abortion activist Randall Terry for president (Politico- [link](#))
- Trump rips Romney as 'total loser' while endorsing a potential replacement (The Hill- [link](#))
- Biden delays plan to ban menthol cigarettes amid widespread opposition (The Independent- [link](#))
- Labour's plan to fix railways will lead to more strikes, warns Transport Secretary Mark Harper (The Sun- [link](#))
- Sadiq Khan: leaseholders in England should have the right to withhold service charges (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Let Rishi Sunak 'get on with the job', says Grant Shapps (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Galloway's mayoral pick challenges Labour by fueling Gaza anger (The Times- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak struggling to smother frenzy of election rumours (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Tories doomed at next election because of Boris Johnson and Liz Truss, says pollster John Curtice (The Independent- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Harvey Weinstein hospitalised after returning to jail in New York City, his lawyer says (ITV News- [link](#))
- Rageh Omaar says he was 'determined to finish presenting programme' after becoming unwell live on air (Sky News- [link](#))
- Captain Tom Moore's home where he raised millions for NHS is up for sale (Sky News- [link](#))
- Rolls-Royce slims down plans to build mini nuclear factories in the UK (The i- [link](#))
- Cornwall Tourism chief warns holidaymakers could be taxed when visiting seaside (The Independent- [link](#))
- Pro-Palestine murals in Londo face council review and removal (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Bill to make it easier for Irish people to get British citizenship progresses (The Independent- [link](#))
- Tourist fined for approaching walrus in Norway (BBC News- [link](#))
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Global:

- Evacuations ordered after dozens of train cars derailed near New Mexico state line, some carrying propane (CNN- [link](#))
- Yemen's Houthi rebels claim downing US reaper drone, release footage showing wreckage of aircraft (The Independent- [link](#))
- Macron visit to Germany in May to focus on EU ties (Reuters- [link](#))

Sunday:

Politics:

- Rwanda plan: Irish government wants to send asylum seekers back to the UK (BBC News- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak dodges ruling out a July general election again (ITV News- [link](#))
- Local elections: every Dorset council seat is up for grabs (4 News- [link](#))
- Tory MP claims to be 'more reform than Reform' as she launches blistering attack on Rishi Sunak (The Independent- [link](#))
- Salmond's electoral pact idea dismissed as 'fantasy' by Yousaf (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak defends spending £75 billion on defence over NHS and schools (The Independent- [link](#))
- Slash student visas to curb migration, Tory report urges (The Sunday Times- [link](#))
- The Labour Party commits to triple-lock pension policy (Reuters- [link](#))

Energy:

- Italy sees role for nuclear energy to meet green goals, minister says (Reuters- [link](#))

Death:

- Man dies in horror 'parachute incident' at industrial estate in Durham (The Independent- [link](#))
- Navalny's death did not come as direct order from Putin: Report (The Washington Examiner- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Evil smuggling gangs hold migrants in WW2 Nazi bunkers before deadly boat crossings (The Mirror- [link](#))
- Huw Edwards 'warned by BBC about behaviour two years before scandal' (The Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Briton in critical care after 'unusual' shark attack on Tobago (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Prince Harry returning to UK for first time visiting King Charles following his cancer diagnosis (Sky News- [link](#))
- Murder rate among Russian soldiers surges 900% after returning from Ukraine (The Independent- [link](#))
- Small boat migrant arrivals by late April at highest level ever (Sky News- [link](#))

Global:

- Sudan demands emergency UN meeting on UAE 'aggression' (The New Arab- [link](#))
- Situation on the frontline has worsened, Ukraine army chief says (BBC News- [link](#))

