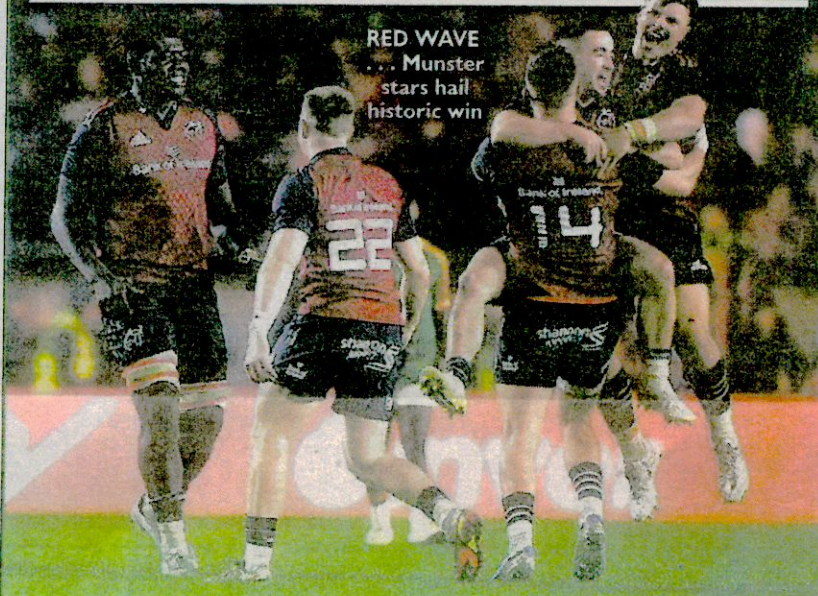


# POP THE CORK

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## Hosts are Boks office



RED WAVE  
... Munster stars hail historic win

By JOHN FALLON

**PATTON OF THE MATCH** Paddy Patterson believes this remarkable Munster win had been building for weeks.

At the fourth attempt, South Africa's scalp has been added to those of the All Blacks and Wallabies despite fielding a side without all their front-line Irish stars. Scrum-half Patterson said: "We've been building the last few weeks. We've been playing good rugby without getting results. We felt the pressure was off and we wanted to have a go. The pack fronted up, some of the hits going in were insane, even in the scrum-winning penalties."

"It was class playing in front of the crowd. When they played 'Zombie', I knew it was going to be so special. Some craic! It was superb."

It is another milestone in the Reds' history in the first rugby showdown to be staged at Páirc Uí Chaoimh.

The opening half could hardly have gone better as the hosts were good value for their 21-7 interval advantage.

Coach Graham Rowntree would have known the value of getting the 41,400 spectators involved early and the carnival atmosphere cranked up a notch when Corkman Shane Daly scored inside three minutes.

The deft hands of summer signing Antoine Frisch in midfield, in his first start, were key in the move which saw full-back Mike Haley send Daly away.

Ben Healy laid down the marker for a fine display by landing the conversion.

South Africa's early dominance in the scrum yielded good field positions and they made it count after 13 minutes when full-back Aphelele Fassi scored in the right

Munster	28
South Africa A	14

corner. Munster eventually got their scrum sorted and, appropriately, hometown star Simon Zebo got in on the act for a 14-7 lead after 29 minutes.

It got even better eight minutes later. Skipper Jack O'Donoghue broke but could not offload to Patterson.

But, from the resulting scrum after a knock-on, Munster got an edge and a penalty which Healy sent to the right corner.

O'Donoghue called the lineout Frisch and Rory Scannell joining in the maul, they drove over with hooker Diarmuid Barron getting the touchdown and Healy converting to lead 21-7 at the break.

It took the home side just two minutes to stretch their lead.

Patterson chased his own grubber and a few phases later, Healy side-footed through the cover for Frisch to score.

A lost Munster lineout near halfway led to sustained Springboks pressure as they pounded the home line.

It looked like they cut the gap after 54 minutes but winger Suleiman Hartzenberg was denied in the corner when Patrick Campbell, just on for Zebo, did enough to force a foot into touch.

But the South Africa pressure eventually paid off.

Replacement loosehead Liam O'Connor was binned after 61 minutes and replacement Sikhumbuzo Notshe drove over.

But the Reds closed out the monumental night by winning a penalty off a South Africa scrum.

**SCORERS** — Munster: Frisch, S Daly, S Zebo, D Barron, M Haley; cons. B Healy 4. South Africa A: Tries, A Fassi, S Notshe; cons. J Gossen, G Lombard.

# Mystic Meg



### ARIES March 21 - April 21

You can be the friend who stays in the background, but helps others know they are supported. So do make that call, or go to that event you are in two minds about. Your chart today makes you able to grasp facts, even tough ones, and get them working for you. The luck factor points to an old sports souvenir.

### TAURUS April 22 - May 21

A recently married or otherwise settled couple can be your link to luck today. And yes, one part of this couple can reflect directly on you. You are more ready than you think to make a big romance decision. That Friday feeling creates Mars excitement and moon insight, as colleagues gather to share some news.

### GEMINI May 22 - June 21

Yes, the double "M" energy of a moon and Mars meeting can work in your favour, and get a qualifications dream moving again. But this also needs careful handling to secure success. As for love, a fitness fan is full of enthusiasm for a new regime, and getting involved can also engage your heart.

### CANCER June 22 - July 23

Yes, it's good to be a bit of a mystery - but too much can push potential lovers and friends away. So if you are feeling welcoming today, do show it, and speak first even if it's not something you would usually do. Your makeover zone is Saturn-strong, and you can stick to any ambitious property or project plans.

### LEO July 24 - August 23

As the social butterfly of the zodiac, everywhere you go today people will be noticing you, and wondering who you are. You have more power than you may know to change the direction of a friendship, or a romance. This asks you to give up a little time today, to reap big rewards tomorrow. Luck opens a purple box.

### VIRGO August 24 - September 23

Your ability to find answers quickly and to switch between different roles is Virgo's star skill today. And while you secure your own place at a top table, you never stop looking out for others. Your passion ambitions are extraordinary, thanks to Mars and the moon - don't deny what they are telling you to do.

### LIBRA September 24 - October 23

Jupiter's easy-going charm may be taking you forward but it's important to pace your progress. At work, maybe sharing a goal can work, if you give it a proper chance. And at home, a family will come together better by persuasion than force, or surprise. Passion gives back everything you put in.

### SCORPIO October 24 - November 22

Yes, this can be a high-achieving family day. So if you'd like to get certain names together sooner, or for longer, make your move. In love, too, Saturn and the sun may not make the future obvious, but somewhere deep inside, you sense it will be OK. Single? An "S" name and a "7" number are your clues.

### SAGITTARIUS November 23 - December 22

If you're in a mood to shake up a romance routine, do remember equal relationships work best. If you're single, this includes answering a question you may have been thinking about for a week. Repeating the same words, with the same feelings, can break through a family barrier in time, so don't give up yet.

### CAPRICORN December 23 - January 20

As Saturn stabilises your chart, your efforts toward a cash change can be recognised, and rewarded. And the next step is suddenly so clear, and so simple. Tempers may flare at work, but you can be the calm, in-charge one. Venus mixes passion with friendship to take a couple back to better times.

### AQUARIUS January 21 - February 19

Knowing the difference between ideas to activate now, and ones to be saved for later, is your star skill today. This makes such good use of your resources. In passion terms, you may realise a romance is not right for now - but could be perfect in the future. And the waiting can be the best time of your life.

### PISCES February 20 - March 20

A home move that's been on hold can start shifting again as power planets meet - but it's important to pursue this for the right reasons. Your secrets sector is awake again, and instead of pushing difficult facts or figures to the back of your mind, keep them upfront to start fixing them. Luck wears sage green.

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VERSTAPPEN... happy

## Verstappy to meet you now

By BEN HUNT

MAX VERSTAPPEN has buried the hatchet with Sky Sports' F1 channel and ended his boycott.

The world champ, 25, was upset by digs from presenter Ted Kravitz.

And the final straw came at last month's US Grand Prix when Kravitz insinuated he had "robbed" the title from Lewis Hamilton.

Sky were also blanked in Mexico a fortnight ago.

But following talks, Verstappen is now happy to talk to them again.

Speaking ahead of this weekend's Brazil Grand Prix, he said: "We drew a line under it and we keep on going."

Brazil will see the third and final sprint race weekend, where a short 30-minute race dictates the grid for Sunday's actual grand prix.

But Verstappen is not a fan of the format, which will be at six races next season.

The Dutchman added: "For me, it is not fun. I like one practice session and then qualifying."

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#### SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL

We De La Salle Limited intend to apply for planning permission for a development previously granted (and now lapsed) under SDCC Reg. Refs. SD07A/0367 & SD16A/0338 for Block B4, Site B, Aerodrome Business Park, Collegistown, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin. The subject application now comprises: Warehousing Block B4 (11.55m high) divided into 8 No. units totalling 3,484m<sup>2</sup>, including 7,20m<sup>2</sup> ancillary office/staff facilities on 2 floors and 2,764m<sup>2</sup> warehousing area. The development will also include the completion of ancillary carparking adjacent to the subject block and throughout the overall site, services, utilities, landscaping (including new flood mitigation berm to the northeast & southeast of the subject block), drainage works including additional surface water attenuation system plus all site development works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of South Dublin County Council during its public opening hours of 9am - 4pm, Mon-Fri, and a submission or observation may be made to South Dublin County Council in writing and on payment of the prescribed fee (€200) within the period of 6 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by South Dublin County Council of the application.

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Permission is sought by St Patrick's National School, Board of Management for the construction of a new single storey extension to the side of the existing school building to accommodate one new classroom in a prefabricated structure and associated site works at St Patrick's National School, Drivewellstown, Law, Castleknock, Dublin 15 D15PH21. The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 6 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.