



The News

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Campaigns for the upcoming legislative elections get underway today as all candidacies were submitted by 6pm last night. The party Reconquete has put forward 330 candidates across the 577 constituencies. The Républicains party has put forward nearly 400. Party head, Eric Ciotti has claimed that at least 62 of those candidates have support from the Rassemblement National. Meanwhile, on the left, France Insoumise representative Adrien Quatennens has given up his candidacy in the Nord after his conviction for domestic violence. His potential candidacy had been point of division in the New Grassroots Front. The head of the alliance, Jean Luc Mélenchon, welcomed the decision.

The captain of the French football team, Kylian Mbappé, is calling on France's voters, particularly young people, to make sure they show up and vote on June 30th and July 7th. In a press conference yesterday, Mbappé said, "The extremes are at the gates of power. We have the opportunity to choose the future of our country". His comment came as team France complete their final preparations for their first match of the Euros. France vs Austria kicks off at 9pm tonight.

Nouméa international airport has opened its doors again after a month-long closure due to tensions in New Caledonia. The country's High Commission has also decided to relax the curfew that is in place from 6pm to 8pm every evening. The situation in New Caledonia is improving and the aim is to now ease back into normal life. Pupils will also return to school today.

And finally, the 92nd edition of the car race 24 Hours of Le Mans came to an end yesterday. The #50 AF Corse Ferrari crossed the finish line in the lead yesterday, making it a second victory in a row for the Italian team, after the success of last year's centenary edition. The No. 7 Toyota took second place and the #51 AF Corse Ferrari took third.