



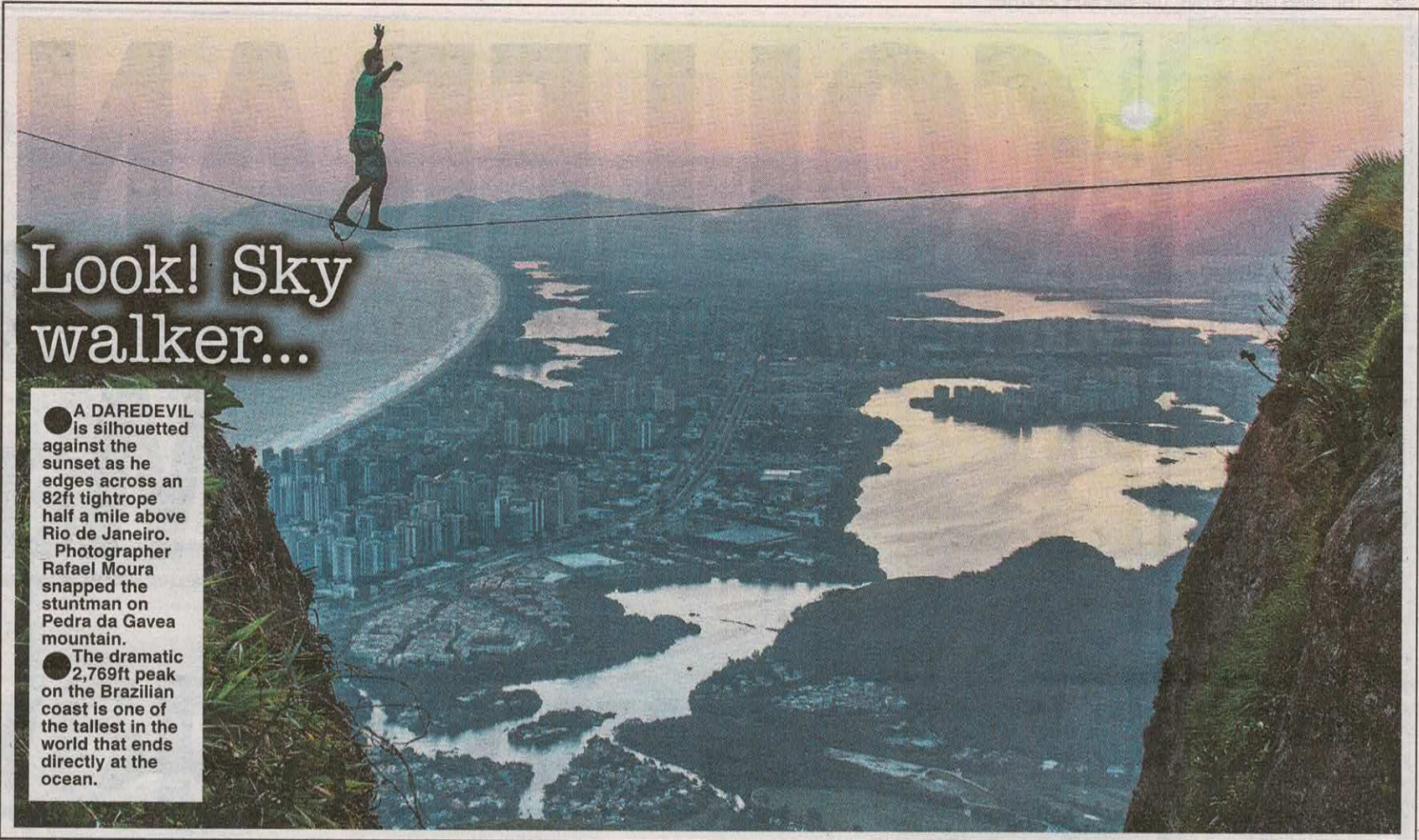
**RAIDED: Cliff Richard**  
**'Scoop' bosses quoted Cliff hit**

BBC BOSSES quoted Cliff Richard's hit Congratulations before sending a helicopter to film a police raid on his home over sex claims. They boasted about the "unmissable scoop" and praised reporter Dan Johnson. But at the High Court in London yesterday they were accused of knowing Mr Johnson had used shady tactics in order to get the story. In an email headed "SIT DOWN WHEN YOU READ THIS" former North of England editor Declan Wilson outlined their exclusive story to BBC UK news editor Gary Smith.

**Happy**  
 Mr Smith replied with the well-known lyric: "Congratulations and jublations, I want the world to know I'm happy as can be." He ended the email: "... WOW". Mr Johnson bragged about having the police "over a barrel". Cliff's lawyer Justin Rushbrooke alleged Mr Wilson covered up the fact he should have stopped the story after learning about the journalist's "heavy handed approach". Cliff is suing the BBC after it named him and broadcast dramatic helicopter footage of police searching his flat in Sunningdale, Berkshire, in August 2014. The hearing continues.

**Top price for Top Gun gear**

VAL Kilmer's Top Gun outfit is for sale — with a price tag that will take your breath away. The helmet and flight suit he wore as 'Iceman' in the iconic 1986 movie are listed on eBay by a private collector for \$300,000 (€245,000). The items were on display at Disney World in Florida for many years. Kilmer played Tom 'Iceman' Kazanski — rival to Tom Cruise's Pete 'Maverick' Mitchell — in the film about US Navy F-14 Tomcat fighter pilots at the elite 'Top Gun' dogfight school.



**Look! Sky walker...**

● A DAREDEVIL is silhouetted against the sunset as he edges across an 82ft tightrope half a mile above Rio de Janeiro. Photographer Rafael Moura snapped the stuntman on Pedra da Gavea mountain. ● The dramatic 2,769ft peak on the Brazilian coast is one of the tallest in the world that ends directly at the ocean.

**CRAZE TEENS TOLD TO WRAP IT UP...**

**CANNES-DO SPIRIT**

● ALICE Sheehan and Jamie Fulham are part of a group of 12 of Ireland's most creative young stars to compete on an international stage in Cannes this June. Alice, of Zenith ad agency and Jamie Fulham of Core media are two of the creatives who will represent Team Ireland at the Cannes Lions Festival. Team Ireland will compete against teams from all over the world in the film, print, PR, social media and marketing disciplines. ● Winning at the festival puts creatives among the elite in their fields.

**Parents warned about deadly clingfilm dare**

**GARDAI** have issued a warning about a dangerous online craze in which young people are dicing with death by wrapping clingfilm around their face. Parents are being urged to be aware of the idiotic viral activity which has been reported among teenagers in Co Offaly. Gardai are advising parents to talk to children before "someone gets seriously injured or dies." *The craze that young people around the country are reportedly taking part in involves wrapping clingfilm around your face and seeing how long you can hold your breath.* The activity poses a serious risk to life and is believed to have been popular among teenagers online last year. According to reports, teenagers have been spotted carrying out the craze in a number of areas throughout the county in recent weeks.

■ Laura COLGAN

The warning comes after a concerned parent spotted a group of boys aged "no more than 14" taking part in the game behind a supermarket in Edenderry on Saturday. The parent contacted an administrator on the Republic of Edenderry Facebook page to raise their concern, with a post appearing on the page on Sunday which read: "A concerned page follower has contacted this page with a warning for teenagers and their parents." **Faces** "While in Edenderry today she saw 4 boys no more than 14 and they were wrapping cling film around each other's faces and roaring laughing. *'This could have fatal consequences.'*" Laois-Offaly Crime Prevention Officer, Sgt Graham Kavanagh told the *Offaly Express*: "Parents need to inform their children about such activities before one of them gets seriously injured or dies."



**VIRAL STUNT: Clingfilm**