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Bella Hadid

Bella Hadid apologises to Saudi, UAE fans after online backlash

Dubai

US-Palestinian model Bella Hadid has taken to Twitter and Instagram to apologize to her fans in Saudi Arabia and the UAE after she was accused of being disrespectful by social media users.

It all kicked off when the 22-year-old supermodel uploaded a photo to her Instagram Stories on Monday, showing her boot pictured in front of an Emirates plane and a Saudia plane. The hashtag #BellaHadidIsRacist started trending as some social media users felt the model was being disrespectful, but she quickly took to the Internet to set the record straight, saying "this was an honest mistake on an early morning" in a tweet.

"I am posting this to clear up a few things that have been weighing on my heart," Hadid wrote on her Instagram Stories Monday. "To begin, I would never want my posts or platform to be used for hate against anyone, especially those of my own beautiful and powerful heritage. I love and care so much about the Muslim and Arab side of my family, as well as my brothers and sisters throughout the world."

Money was my main driver: Irina Shayk on joining fashion industry

Los Angeles

Supermodel Irina Shayk has revealed her aim was never to work in the fashion industry and she wanted to study marketing.

The 33-year-old Russian model said growing up she had no access to the world of fashion and she decided to say yes to a modelling assignment to support her family, reported Contactmusic.

"We lived in a super small village, we never bought fashion magazines, I didn't even know that world existed. When I was asked to be a model, at first I said no, I wanted to finish studying marketing at college.

"My mum had been saving up to pay for it. Then I realised modelling would be a good way to help my family. Money was my main driver," Shayk said.

She believes it is important to be "strong and stubborn" if one wants to have a successful modelling career.

"I was older than other girls - some started modelling aged 13. I wasn't a size zero, I was bigger. Now, because of Instagram, it is not really about being a size zero, but back then, all the girls were skinny and I wasn't.

"There are so many people who tell you to lose weight, to colour your hair or cut it or do this or that... It's very important not to lose who you really are," she added.



Irina Shayk

Sylvester Stallone nostalgic on 40th anniversary of 'Rocky II'

Los Angeles

On the 40th anniversary of "Rocky II", Hollywood heavyweight Sylvester Stallone said he is "incredibly grateful" to the audience for accepting and loving the characters from his boxing sports-drama franchise.

The actor, who starred as Rocky Balboa, the eponymous southpaw boxer from Philadelphia, also wrote and directed the blockbuster sequel which hit theatres on June 15, 1979.

In his Instagram post, Stallone recalled the characters -- Rocky's beloved wife Adrian, his trainer-manager Mickey Goldmill and opponent Apollo Creed.

"A heartfelt thank you for accepting these characters and their stories into your lives! It seems like only yesterday when Adrian was telling me to 'WIN! And Mickey pushing me to be an 'Italian Tank! and go through him!'"



Sylvester Stallone

Taylor Swift feels 'so much lighter' after ending feud with Katy Perry

Los Angeles

Singers Taylor Swift and Katy Perry have put their feud in the past and there's no more bad blood between the two.

The music icons came together for Swift's 'You Need To Calm Down' music video, which released on Monday. In the video, which stands for the LGBTQ+ community and equal rights for women, the singers share a hug.

The duo had been in a feud for the past few years, reportedly over backup dancers. Swift's song 'Bad Blood' is also rumoured to be about her prolonged quarrel with Perry. Perry's 'Swish Swish' is said to be her response, reported E! News.



Katy Perry and Taylor Swift

Britney Spears working hard to shed the pounds

Los Angeles

Revealing that she does not like cardio, pop star Britney Spears shared a video of her workout on Monday.

The video begins with Spears saying, "Hi guys, it's such a beautiful day, I had to come outside and do a little workout. I wanted to share with all of you."

The video then shows her working on bicep curls, squats and showing off her impressive high kicks while Jennifer Lopez song 'Booty' plays in the background.

"I've been working really hard to loose [sic] weight ... and for me, 3 pounds is like 7 pounds it's a lot," Spears captioned the video on Instagram.

"I don't like doing too much cardio. My body has muscle memory, cus I use it be [sic] gymnast and I can bulk up ... so I like isolated movement. The key to my workout is repetition, but that gets boring so I have a booklet I've made with all my favourite exercises. I usually wear headphones ... music takes me away."



Britney Spears

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I, **DAPHNE SHAINA** Father of **JUSTIN PACKIA DHAS**, holder of Indian Passport No **M0805984** dated 17/09/2014 issued at Bahrain, having permanent residence at **9/66, A/4 KEEZHAMANIYANKUZHIL, ERANIEL KONAM, NEYYOOR P.O, KANYAKUMARI DIST, TAMIL NADU**. Presently residing at **FLAT NO.1, BUILDING NO.1517, ROAD NO.2835, BLOCK NO:328, MANAMA, BAHRAIN** do hereby change my daughter's name as (Given Name) **DAPHNE**, (Surname) **SHAINA**, objection if any may be forwarded to Embassy of India, P.O.Box 26106, Bldg No. 1090, Road No. 2819, Block 428, Al Seef, Kingdom of Bahrain.

Olivia Wilde, Jon Hamm join cast of 'Richard Jewell'

Los Angeles

Hollywood actors Olivia Wilde and Jon Hamm have joined the star-studded cast of veteran filmmaker Clint Eastwood's upcoming feature "Richard Jewell".

The film is based on a real-life security guard whose world turned upside down after law enforcement leaked to an overenthusiastic reporter at the Atlanta Journal Constitution that Jewell was a possible suspect for the pipe-bombing at Centennial Park during the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

From that moment on, Jewell went from a hero, who discovered the suspicious abandoned backpack



Olivia Wilde and Jon Hamm

and saved hundreds of lives, to one of the most hated men in the US.

Paul Walter Hauser is playing the titular role in the Warner Bros film alongside Sam Rockwell as Jewell's attorney and Kathy Bates as Jewell's mother.

According to Variety, Wilde will essay the role of real-life reporter Kathy Scruggs, who covered the event, while Hamm will play an FBI agent investigating the bombing.

'Avengers' dominate MTV Movie & TV Awards 2019

Los Angeles

'Avengers' ruled the MTV Movie & TV Awards 2019 as Marvel's latest offering "Endgame" was named the Best Movie with Robert Downey Jr winning the title of Best Hero as IronMan at the ceremony.

According to The Hollywood Reporter, Josh Brolin's reprisal as supervillain Thanos won him the Best Villain award. In a video message, Downey Jr said winning the award was "kinda unexpected".

"That said it's been an absolute joy, honour and privilege, etc to play Tony Stark all these years. So I want to say thank you Marvel, Disney, MTV and most importantly thank y'all."

