News Puzzle (?)

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Read the stories from pages 2, 5 and 11 of First News and then try the puzzle. To help you, we have underlined the answers to the crossword puzzle clues in the story – but you will need to match the correct word with each clue!

WORLD NEWS

GERMANY Horse VS WI-FI



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While it was <u>initially</u> a joke, Klaus-Peter and his editor decided to put it to the test. They hired local horserider Jakob Schütte and his horse, Favo, to take a DVD containing 800 photos on a 10km ride to his printer's office in Schmallenberg.

Klaus-Peter began uploading the images 20 minutes before Jakob and the horse set out. The horse took 104 minutes to deliver the DVD, while the upload took more than five hours!

The stunt worked, and Klaus-Peter's broadband provider has said it will provide <u>fibre-optic</u> <u>broadband</u> in the village, after being embarrassed by the story.

DENMARK

SWIMMING RECORD

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Stig Severinsen said he wants to inspire children and raise <u>awareness</u> of protecting oceans and undersea life.

AUSTRALIA ****



A 120-year-old box of chocolates has been found by staff at the National Library of Australia.

The chocolate belonged to a poet and journalist called AB 'Banjo' Paterson, and was found among his papers.

The tin chocolate box was one sent to soldiers in South Africa during the <u>Boer War</u> around 1900.

It was a gift to the troops ordered by the UK's Queen Victoria. Jennifer Todd, from the library, said: "There was quite an interesting smell when they were unwrapped." We bet there was!

What do you think 120-year-old chocolate tastes like?

ACROSS

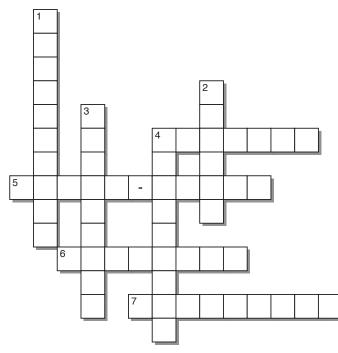
4) A war (1899-1902) between Great Britain and republics — the South African Republic and the Orange Free State (proper noun 4,3)

5) Used in telecommunications (to transmit data, voice and images), these are thin, flexible cords with a glass core through which light signals can be sent (adjective 5-5)

- 6) Units of data size (plural noun 8)
- 7) To begin with; at first (adverb 9)

DOWN

- 1) A reporter; a person who writes for newspapers, magazines or news websites, or prepares news to be broadcast (noun 10)
- 2) An inhalation or exhalation of air from the lungs (noun 6)
- 3) Knowledge and concern about an issue (noun 9)
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