



**German town 'cursed'**

The town of Bad Reichenhall which lost 15 residents in the ice-rink collapse fears it could be under a curse.



**Newsmakers of 2005**

See which court cases, royal weddings, celebrity break-ups and natural disasters dominated headlines in 2005.

Search  News24  Web by



**SIGN ME IN**

**News Sections**

World : News

[Terms & conditions](#)

- Homepage
- World**
- Hurricane Watch
- London attacks
- Iraqi Dossier
- News
- Asian Earthquake
- Bird flu
- South Africa**
- Sport**
- Africa
- Sci-Tech
- Entertainment
- Finance
- Health
- Backpage

**Other Sections**

- Competitions**
- Galleries
- Travel
- Traffic
- Letters
- Columnists
- Newsletters
- Horoscopes
- TV Guides
- Lottery
- Cartoon
- Weather
- Mobile
- Callsaver

**Special Reports**

- Aids Focus**
- Zuma File
- Bird Flu
- Zimbabwe
- Iraqi Dossier
- More...

**Stidy**



**Lottery Numbers**

Lotto:  
9 12 34 36 41 43 15

Lotto Plus:  
8 13 29 39 43 45 35

UK Lottery:  
7 13 31 43 45 47 23

[Lottery Page](#)

**Sudoku**

**CIA tipped off on 9/11 pilot**

13/08/2003 10:38 - (SA)

Hamburg - The US Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) had one of the September 11, 2001 terror pilots under surveillance as early as March 1999 after a tip from German security services, according to joint investigative reports in Germany.

print story on email story

The weekly magazine Stern and the first German public television channel ARD, in reports to be published and aired on Thursday, focus on Marwan Alshehhi, who piloted the Boeing plane which crashed into the south tower of the World Trade Centre.

How Alshehhi then managed to slip from the view of the CIA is the focus of the reports by ARD and Stern, details of which were provided to Deutsche Presse-Agentur in advance on Wednesday.

The joint investigative reports said that in January 1999, Germany's security agency BfV first noted the name of a man named "Marwan" after he had placed calls with Haydar Sammar, a German- Syrian living in Hamburg, who had been under surveillance since 1993.

Two months later, in March 1999, the BfV passed the information about Marwan on to the CIA, which then also began keeping surveillance on him, ARD and Stern reported.

The reports said the CIA had detailed information about Marwan Alshehhi, and the fact that he was from the United Arab Emirates and studying in Germany.

The CIA had his cellphone number and knew that he was in contact with Haydar, whom the Americans had suspected of being al-Qaeda's contact man in Germany.

The reports add to the growing evidence of mistakes made at the CIA and other security agencies in the United States in failing to detect the plot by the suicide plane hijackers. - Sapa-DPA

**Breaking News**

- 2 die in West Coast smash
- Sharon undergoes brain scan
- 'We feel forgotten'
- Hammer-and-tong win for Bafana
- Neverland vet sue: Jackson
- Court postpones xenophobic case

**Sponsored Links**

- Yellow Pages
- Car Rental
- Dial Direct
- Casinos
- Accommodati
- Play UK Lotte
- Online Auctio
- Medical Aid
- Free Voucher
- Your Homelo:
- Bus Insuranc
- First for Worr
- Cell Specials

Discussion Forums | Newsletters | Photo Galleries | Earlier stories

-- Top stories in this category --



PROMOTION

**Win all the way with OUTsurance!**

4		9	6		
	2		4		1
3					

We bring you a new puzzle every day!

## Afrikaans

Beeld  
Die Burger  
Volksblad  
Rapport  
Sake  
Finweek  
Landbou  
Litnet  
Jip  
netAfrikaans  
Streekkoerante

## Partners

Nova  
Natal Witness  
FINWEEK  
Carte Blanche  
City Press  
SASI  
SA Gateway  
Keo  
Community

## Subscribe

Mens Health  
FHM  
SASI  
Golf Digest  
Shape  
Fairlady  
YOU  
Heat

## Inteken

Die Burger  
Beeld  
Volksblad  
Weg  
Huisgenoot

Get an obligation-free insurance quote from OUTsurance and have R100 deposited into a FNB Million-a-Month Account in your name. Giving yourself a chance of winning the monthly draw of R1 Million. [Click here to find out how.](#)

### Father Christmas could be dropping £15 million down your chimney this year

December 2005: Father Christmas might need plenty of additional sleds and reindeers this year. Playuklottery.com's Double Superdraw, taking place on Christmas Eve and 7 January 2006, means you stand the chance of winning a guaranteed lottery jackpot of £15 million (approximately R173.4 million). Ho Ho Ho...

### Piggs Peak Internet Casino kicks off the festive season with super sized jackpot giveaways!

Winning has never been easier. An incredible number of lucky winners have staked their claim of fantastic cash prizes in what has been a frenzy of jackpot winnings at Piggs Peak Internet Casino.

### Terrorists Profiled - [www.world-check.com](http://www.world-check.com)

World's most comprehensive open source database

Ads by Goooooogle

[Advertise on this site](#)

[About us](#) | [Advertise](#) | [Contact us](#) | [Job opportunities](#) | [News24 feed](#) | 



[Back to top](#)