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A train attempting to set the fastest time for the 401-mile journey between London and Glasgow has failed to break the record by just 21 seconds.

The article features in The Daily Telegraph, which says the special service completed the trip in three hours 53 minutes and 1 second, leaving a 36-year-old record intact.

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The biggest rail workers union is warning members will take industrial action against cuts to transport jobs, pay and conditions.

An article in The Daily Mirror says the Rail, Maritime and Transport Union has moved to a dispute footing to tackle a 'government-led' pay freeze.

It said train operators, Network Rail and Transport for London were expected to follow the freeze when deals expire.

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Trainline has claimed it is selling more fares now than it was at the same time two years ago, before the pandemic.

The Times features an article that says the company said yesterday that while the number of people using trains remained at less than half the levels before COVID, it was selling more digital tickets than ever.

Trainline is benefiting from travellers being more tech-savvy than they were a year ago and happier to buy tickets on their phones.

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Train passengers were shocked by a slippery customer heading down the aisle – a bright orange snake.

The article in The Sun says it was spotted on a CrossCountry service from Nottingham to Cardiff.

After initially being unable to find anything, British Transport Police Officers and the RSPCA managed to track down the snake and put it in a box.

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