



Rare... judo outfit

# Action at auction for €30k

By TOM WILKINSON

A RARE Action Man judo outfit could fetch nearly €30,000 at auction.

The pristine boxed set from 1969 or 1970 was discovered with a trove of other nostalgic items in a retired toy rep's garage in Essex, England.

The judo kit is so rare a collector's book of Action Man and his accessories has no photo of the original packaging. Valuer Kathy Taylor catalogued the pieces, which now fill a wall of the auction warehouse.

The pick of the collection is the judo set, still in its cardboard box with cellophane packaging.

Taylor said: "There has been considerable interest already and a fever is building up for it."

The relative failure as products in the 1960s and Seventies actually makes them more valuable now as few remain.

A Boba Fett Star Wars figure sold last month for €25,000.

# Airbnb is hiring 200

HOSPITALITY firm Airbnb has announced 200 new jobs in Dublin.

The company, which lets homeowners rent out rooms for short stays, has started hiring for the new positions which will be located at its 'Silicon Docks' building in Hanoi-ver Quay.

The jobs are in customer service, HR, Finance and IT.

And 25 new jobs have been announced at Youth Nation in Dublin.

The firm specialises in youth entertainment and communications.

# BET HE'S GOT A MARSH-ALL AMP..

# THIN LIZARD



Karma chameleon... could it be Lynott reincarnated?

By KIERAN DINEEN

THE boys are back in Yogyakarta town — this laid-back forest dragon lizard appears to be channeling his inner Phil Lynott as he plays air-guitar with a juicy leaf.

The real-life Thin Lizzy was caught hitting the high notes in the Indonesian jungle earlier this week by professional photographer Aditya Permana.

The 33-year-old had been watching the reptilian rocker soaking up the sun for more than an hour when it suddenly began practising its, erm, scales.

With his skinny legs, he looked the image of the late Irish legend Lynott — and, with the backing of a full rain-forest tribute band, he could probably bring the house down with a cover of Whiskey in the Java.

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