

Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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Waymo gets set to launch its fully automated ridesourcing service in Phoenix. The automated vehicles (AVs) will pick up public passengers over the next few months for free. The service will first be available to those who participated in Waymo's public testing. Although Waymo employees will initially accompany passengers in the backseat, the vehicles will operate entirely without human drivers.

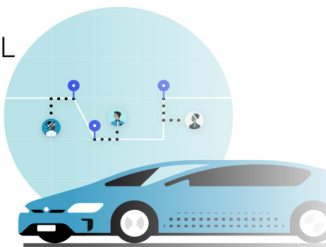
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Navya announces a new electric, automated taxi model, the Autonomum Cab, in Paris. The vehicle has Level 4 automation capabilities and does not include a cockpit, brakes, steering wheel, or mirrors. The Cab can travel with six passengers up to 55 miles per hour and is meant for fleet deployment.



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Express POOL



Uber launches Express POOL, its cheapest service yet, in San Francisco and Boston. Passengers are required to walk short distances to specific pick-up locations, where drivers give rides to those who have requested similar destinations. Riders then walk from their drop-off location to their final destinations. In San Francisco, a Express POOL ride costs as little as \$2.

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In Las Vegas, a police ruling states that a human driver was at fault in a collision with a Navya electric, automated shuttle. The shuttle stopped when it sensed a human-operated truck was backing up, but the truck driver continued to back up until the two vehicles came in contact. The free shuttle service continued to operate one day later after a diagnostic assessment.



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A British employment tribunal rejects Uber's claim that its drivers are self-employed. This means that Uber must ensure its drivers in Britain receive minimum wage and paid time off. The ruling is a result of a challenge that two Uber drivers, who represented 19 drivers in total, made against the company, stating that Uber denied them basic protections.

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