

European roundup

Football

AFP, Paris

Borussia Dortmund and Bayer Leverkusen are the pace setters in the German Bundesliga after wins over Hertha Berlin and Hansa Rostock at the weekend but the focus was on Bayern Munich after the European and world champions crashed 5-1 at Schalke 04.

Things are almost as bad at AC Milan in Italy, following a 3-2 home defeat by Udinese at the San Siro after the former European champions had led 2-0.

The loss upped the pressure on coach Carlo Ancelotti, who has received the often-dreaded vote of confidence from AC Milan vice-president Adriano Galliani.

Bundesliga

Bayern just edged the German title last season at Schalke's expense and the team from Gelsenkirchen took revenge with goals from Emile Mpenza, Ebbe Sand, Jorg Bohme, Marco van Hoogdale and Niels Oude Kamphuis.

Mehmet Scholl pulled one back for Bayern but they were outplayed at the Schalke Arena once German international Michael Tarnat was sent off for a crude tackle on Schalke's veteran playmaker Andreas Moller just before the break.

"Hosting Leverkusen next week will be our last chance for the title," maintained Bayern's shocked coach Ottmar Hitzfeld.

The Sunday papers agreed, as Welt am Sonntag headlined that "Bayern are sinking" while Bild am Sonntag wrote that Bayern were "on the floor" and the Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung said that "Schalke made Bayern look ridiculous."

Schalke 04 coach Huub Stevens, who is moving to Hertha Berlin at the end of the season, had to rub his eyes by the end.

"Beating Bayern 5-1 is unbelievable. The lads produced the right answers today and I hope they continue in this vein."

With Bayern's attentions focused largely on retaining the Champions League, Dortmund have been slowly coming to the boil under former star Matthias Sammer, a player in the side which won the championship in 1996 and went on to lift the 1997 European Cup.

Czech star Koller opened the scoring after seven minutes and added a second nine minutes after the restart.

Although Andreas Neuendorf pulled one back for the Berliners former Leverkusen man Christian Wornas made it 3-1 in the 76th minute.

Dortmund gave a debut to new signing from Freiburg Sebastian Kehl, who opted to join them having earlier been courted by Bayern and he settled in smoothly with an assured performance.

Bayer Leverkusen thanked goals from Thomas Brdaric and Michael Ballack for their success over Rostock.

Serie A

Back in Italy, as Milan struggled reigning champions AS Roma returned to the top on Sunday, beating Piacenza 2-0 to reclaim the summit just a week after conceding it to Inter Milan.

A freekick from Brazilian Assuncao and Argentinian Gabriel Batistuta proved sufficient for Fabio Capello's side to gain revenge on Piacenza, the only side to defeat them this season.

It also ensured they retook pole position by a single point thanks to a setback for Inter, who were held 1-1 by bottom club Venezia - their prolific striker Filippo Maniero converting a late penalty to cancel out Christian Vieri's opener.

But moving ominously within three points of top spot are Juventus who defeated fourth-placed Chievo 3-1 at Verona to record their fifth consecutive victory.

Primera Liga

In Spain, Real Madrid maintained their three-point lead after Deportivo La Coruna and Alaves both failed to take advantage of the

28-times champions only drawing 1-1 with Real Betis on Sunday.

Deportivo drew 1-1 at fellow championship challengers Athletic Bilbao while Alaves crashed 4-0 at home to Real Mallorca.

Real's Spanish international midfielder Ivan Helguera scored just before the break and keeper Iker Casillas then came to Madrid's rescue midway through the second half by saving a controversially-awarded penalty from Gabriel Amato.

Santiago Solari looked to have secured all three points for Madrid after 77 minutes after finding the net with a header, only to see the goal disallowed for a foul by the Argentine winger.

Betis then got their barely deserved share of the points when Juanito Gutierrez headed the equaliser two minutes from time.

Pundits are meanwhile predict-

ing that Barcelona coach Chary Rexach could be on the way out after a 1-0 loss at home to Osasuna which left the Catalan club a dismal ninth in the table.

Barca's Philip Cocu was sent off and the Barcelona fans turned on their team after Osasuna midfielder Alfredo Sanchez got the only goal of the game at the Nou Camp.

French First Division

In France, the only league match saw Troyes oust Marseille 1-0 to leave the latter just four points off the drop zone.

In League Cup action, Paris Saint Germain needed a penalty shoot out to see off Second Division Nancy while Bordeaux knocked out Monaco, Lorient ousted Bastia on penalties and Rennes beat Strasbourg to reach the semi-finals.

Bundesliga's top six

German league table after this weekend's matches (played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, goals against, points):

Leverkusen	19	13	3	3	46	24	42
Dortmund	19	13	3	3	33	13	42
Kaiserslautern	19	12	2	5	40	25	38
Werder Bremen	19	11	3	5	32	21	36
Bayern Munich	19	10	4	5	35	16	34
Hertha Berlin	19	9	5	5	30	25	32

Serie A's top six

Italian league table ahead of evening match between Chievo and Juventus (played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, points):

AS Roma	20	12	7	1	31	12	43
Inter Milan	20	12	6	2	36	17	42
Juventus	19	10	7	2	35	14	37
Chievo	18	10	3	5	33	25	33
AC Milan	20	8	8	4	29	22	32
Bologna	20	9	4	7	21	21	31

Primera Liga's top six

Spanish league table after Sunday's matches (played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, points):

Real Madrid	22	11	7	4	39	24	40
Celta Vigo	22	9	10	3	41	25	37
Deportivo	22	11	4	7	35	29	37
Valencia	22	9	9	4	25	19	36
Alaves	22	11	3	8	22	19	36
Athletic Bilbao	22	9	8	5	30	30	35

Nakamura Real bound

Football

AFP, Tokyo

Yokohama F Marinos have agreed that Japanese international midfielder Shunsuke Nakamura will move to Spanish powerhouse Real Madrid after the World Cup finals, a Yokohama spokesman said on Monday.

"We haven't yet finalised the deal with the Real Madrid side, but we will be able to announce it officially next month," the spokesman said.

Real Madrid officials are expected to visit Yokohama at the beginning of February to sign a contract with an estimated transfer fee of three million dollars.

The two sides are still working out the duration and details of Nakamura's contract, which is expected to be between three and five years.

On Sunday in Spain, Real

Madrid's director general Jorge Valdano said the eight-times European champions were interested in the player for their reserve team but had not yet received a reply from his J-League club.

"We have an option on the player and have made an offer of three million Euros, but we are still waiting for a reply," said Valdano, a World Cup winner with Argentina in 1986.

A sticking point to the transfer could be that Valdano has said Nakamura could initially be drafted into the Real Madrid reserve team -- currently playing in the Spanish Third Division but who are poised for promotion -- rather than the first team.

If the reserve team fail to gain promotion the deal would fall through as non-European players are not allowed to play in Third Division teams.

Last weekend, the 23-year-old left-side player signed a new deal with Yokohama, which included a clause allowing him to leave the J-

League club in mid-season. "It's not finalised yet, but I'd like to thank Yokohama, because they



SHUNSUKE NAKAMURA

reinforced the team by acquiring Will (Brazilian forward Robson Emilio Andrade Will) and (Daisuke)

Oku to allow me to leave the club easily," said Nakamura.

"I can play for Marinos until the World Cup finals. I'll do my best for myself and the team to win all the seven games before that. I will try hard to be picked up for the World Cup," he added.

Nakamura, a member of the Asian Cup winning team in Lebanon in October 2000, played 17 games for the national team and scored three goals. He was also a team member when Japan reached the quarter-finals at the Sydney Olympics.

But he has not been on the pitch since Japan's humiliating 5-0 thrashing by France in March in Paris last year.

If Nakamura were to move to Real Madrid, he would be the third Japanese international to play in Spain.

Shoji Jo played half a campaign for Valladolid two seasons ago and last season Espanyol employed the services of Akinori Nishizawa.

Ronaldo to rest a couple of weeks

AFP, Milan

Inter Milan's Brazilian striker Ronaldo will undergo further medical tests early next week after being forced out of Sunday's Italian league tie against Venezia with a thigh muscle strain, his club announced Saturday.

The 25-year-old striker is still recovering from the injury he sustained before Christmas in the 3-2 victory over Piacenza.

The two-time World Player of the Year will undergo more medical tests on Monday in Milan, explained team doctor Franco Combi.

"Ronaldo will have a scan and we will decide if further tests are needed. We are not taking any chances," said Combi.

Combi added that it was not possible to give a timeframe for Ronaldo's return to competition.

"We can't say anything about his return because the psychological aspect is very important," said Combi.

Inter Milan's Argentinian coach Hector Cuper meanwhile remained that all that was needed was rest.

"It's not serious, but I think that Ronaldo should rest for two more weeks," added Cuper.

Ronaldo only made his return to competition in early November after two injury-blighted years.

TV GUIDE

BTV

- 3:10p.m. News Headlines
- 3:15 Desher Gaan
- 3:20 Open University
- 3:45 Shukhi Poribar
- 4:00 Khabar
- 4:05 Pushtithatha
- 4:20 Cartoon: Godzilla
- 5:00 News Headlines
- 5:10 Shobar Jonno Shiksha
- 5:35 Family Trip
- 6:00 Khabar
- 6:10 Sangeeta
- 6:35 Programme from Chittagong station
- 7:00 News Headlines (English)
- 7:05 Pran Taranga
- 8:00 News in Bengali
- 8:30 Drama Serial: Shei Shob Manush
- 9:00 News Headlines
- 9:05 Shera Golper Natak
- 10:00 News at Ten (English)
- 10:25 Talk Show
- 11:30 Talk Show
- 11:45 Closing
- EKUSHEY**
- 12:00 Ekushey Middy
- 12:30 Charidike
- 1:00 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom
- 1:30 Documentary programmed : Japan Video Tropic
- 1:50 Classic Cartoons
- 2:10 Surer Prodeep
- 2:40 Drishti
- 3:00 Ekushey Headlines
- 3:05 Drama Serial
- 3:30 Amader Kotha
- 4:00 Surer Prodeep
- 4:30 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom
- 5:00 Circus Circus
- 5:30 Drishti
- 5:50 Aiker Potrikay
- 6:00 Ekushey Headlines
- 6:05 Classic Cartoons
- 6:30 Charidike
- 6:55 Ekushey Headlines
- 7:00 Deho Tore
- 7:30 Ekushey News
- 8:30 Drama serial : Shat Char Dui
- 9:00 Ekushey News
- 9:05 Drama
- 10:00 News : Simulcast from BTV
- 11:00 Ekushey Late Night News
- 11:30 Ekushey Business
- 12:00 Ekushey Headlines

HBO

- 6:30 Mad God and Glory
- 8:15 Falcon Down
- 10:15 Hard Target
- 12:15 Meet Joe Black
- 3:45 A Kiss Before Dying
- 5:45 Rumpelstiltskin
- 7:30 The Mummy
- 10:00 I Know What You Did Last Summer
- 12:00 The Shawshank Redemption
- 3:00 Hard Target
- 5:00 A Kiss Before Dying

BBC WORLD

- 6:00 BBC News
- 6:30 World Business Report
- 7:00 BBC News
- 7:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report
- 8:00 BBC News
- 8:30 Asia Today/World Business Report
- 9:00 BBC News
- 9:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report
- 10:00 BBC News
- 10:30 Hardtalk
- 11:00 BBC News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 12:00 BBC News
- 12:30 World Business Report
- 1:00 BBC News
- 1:30 World Business Report/Sport Today
- 2:00 BBC News
- 2:30 Click Online
- 3:00 BBC News
- 3:30 Wrev
- 4:00 BBC News
- 4:30 East Asia Today/Sport Today
- 5:00 BBC News

5:30 Hardtalk

STAR MOVIES

- 6:30 Young Hearts Unlim-ited
- 8:30 Ace Ventura When Nature Calls
- 10:15 White Sands
- 11:45 Phantom Menace
- 2:00 Fish Called Wanda, A
- 3:45 Attention Shoppers
- 5:15 As Time Runs Out
- 7:00 Terminal Velocity
- 8:45 Hi Lo Country
- 10:45 Ace Ventura When Nature Calls
- 12:30 Boiling Point
- 2:30 As Time Runs Out
- 4:30 Young Hearts Unlim-ited

STAR GOLD

- 7:00 Amne Saamne (Shashi Kapoor, Sharmila Tagore)
- 10:30 Amul Bollywood News
- 11:00 Geet Bahar
- 11:30 Daadi Maa (Ashok Kumar, Bina Rai)
- 3:00 Amul Bollywood News
- 3:30 Raaz Ki Baat (Sujit Kumar, Simi Garewal)
- 7:00 Geet Bahar
- 7:30 Mangal Masti Jyoti (Jeetendra, Hema Malini)
- 11:00 Amul Bollywood News
- 11:30 Elaan-E-Jung (Dharmendra)
- 12:30 Elaan-E-Jung (Contd.)
- 3:00 Geet Bahar
- 3:30 Raaz Ki Baat (Sujit Kumar, Simi Garewal)

STAR PLUS

- 6:00 Sanskruti

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



EKUSHEY: 8:30p.m. *Shat Char Dui*. Shantia Chowdhury, the new hostel-super joins without obeying the rule of Khorashani Madam. Resisting the old rule the girls go to their hostel-super's room and helps her to settle down. Khorashani Madam does not like this at all. When she asks Shanta to obey her rules, Shanta told her to run the school with her rule and tells her that she will run the hostel with her own rules.



AXN: 10:30p.m. *Joe Kidd*. The struggle for land rights explodes between the native Mexican-Americans and unscrupulous cattle barons, and intrepid settler Joe Kidd gets caught up in the fight for justice. Starring Clint Eastwood, Robert Duvall.



STAR WORLD: 6:00 & 9:30p.m. *JAG*. JAG (military-speak for Judge Advocate General) is an adventure drama about an elite legal wing of officers trained as lawyers who investigate, prosecute, and defend those accused of crimes in the military, including murder, treason, and terrorism. Tonight's episode: A crash of a newly upgraded F-14 has Harm and Congresswoman Latham on the case.

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| 6:30 Star Geetmala | 6:30 Fox Kids Daily | 9:30 Kamzor Kaddi Kaun | 12:30 Shagun |
| 7:30 Hum Saath Aath Hain | 7:20 Aaj Ki Baat | 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii | 1:00 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet |
| 8:00 Aatma | 7:30 Sanskruti | 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi | 1:30 Kasauti Zindagii Kay |
| 9:00 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet | 8:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain | 11:30 Kaahin Kissii Roz | 2:00 Kaahin Kissii Roz |
| 9:30 Fox Kids-Daily | 8:30 Kalash | 12:05 Aaj Ki Baat | 2:30 Gharwali Uparwali |
| 10:30 Small Wonder | 9:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay | | 3:00 Pal Chhin |
| 11:00 Pal Chhin | | | |
| 11:30 Meri Saahil | | | |
| 12:00 Shanti | | | |
| 12:30 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet | | | |
| 1:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain | | | |
| 1:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii | | | |
| 2:00 Sanskruti | | | |
| 2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi | | | |
| 3:00 Shagun | | | |
| 3:30 Kasauti Zindagii Kay | | | |
| 4:00 Kabhi Sauten Kabhi Saheli | | | |
| 4:30 Kaahin Kissii Roz | | | |
| 5:00 Meri Saheli | | | |
| 5:30 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet | | | |
| 6:00 Small Wonder | | | |

PICK OF THE DAY



I Know What You Did Last Summer
On HBO at 10:00 PM
It's the movie that made TV princesses into Scream Queens. Love Hewitt (most known for her TV role in Party of Five) and Buffy The Vampire Slayer's Sarah Michelle Gellar team up in this teen horror flick. It's the fourth of July and four friends Julie, Ray, Helen, and Barry are celebrating.

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| 3:30 Khaani Ghar Ghar Kii | 8:30 Discovery Civilisation | 8:00 Wildlife Emergency II |
| 4:00 Shanti | 9:30 Land of the Tiger | 8:30 Animal Planet Safari |
| 4:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi | 10:30 FBI Files, The | 9:30 Tuesday Trauma |
| 5:00 Meri Saheli | 11:30 Tech Tuesday | 10:30 Tuesday Trauma |
| 5:30 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet | | 10:30 Tuesday Trauma |
| | | 11:00 Animals A-Z |
| | | 11:30 Walk on the Wild Side |
| | | 12:00 Wild Rescues I I |
| | | 12:30 The Planet's Funniest Animals |
| | | 1:00 Horse Tales |
| | | 1:30 The Aquanauts |
| | | 2:00 Battersea Dogs Home |
| | | 2:30 Zoo |
| | | 3:00 X Creatures |
| | | 4:00 Vets in Practice |
| | | 4:30 Crocodile Hunter |
| | | 5:30 Tuesday Trauma |
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| | | 7:00 Animal Legends |
| | | 7:30 Monkey Business III |
| | | 8:00 Animal Planet Safari |
| | | 9:00 21 st Century Ark |
| | | 10:00 Vets in Practice |
| | | 10:30 Crocodile Hunter |
| | | 11:30 Tuesday Trauma |
| | | 12:00 Tuesday Trauma |

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| DISCOVERY | AXN | ZEE CINEMA |
| 7:00 Born Winners | 6:30 Movie: Far & Away | 7:30 Sangeet Samrat Tansen-Feature Film |
| 7:30 Wild Discovery | 9:30 The Amazing Race | 10:15 Movie Fare |
| 8:30 Lonely Planet V | 10:30 Pensacola III, At Poverty Level | 10:30 Zid-Feature Film |
| 9:30 Discovery Showcase | 11:30 Pacific Blue II, Bangers | 1:15 Madhyantar |
| 10:30 Land of the Tiger | 12:30 Who Dares Wins II | 1:30 Kanwarlal-Feature Film |
| 11:30 Monkey Business III | 1:30 The Amazing Race | 5:00 Darpan |
| 12:00 Extreme Contact | 2:30 Movie: Far & Away | 5:15 Weekend Cinema |
| 12:30 Discovery Sunday | 3:30 Who Dares Wins II | 5:45 Film Time |
| 1:30 21 st Century Medicine | 6:30 Rollerjam | 6:00 Mr Romeo-Feature film |
| 2:30 Wild Discovery | 7:30 Pacific Blue II, Point Blank | 9:15 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki |
| 3:30 Going Wild With Jeff Corwin | 8:30 The Amazing Race | 9:30 Tara Rum |
| | 9:30 Ripley's Believe It Or Not | 10:00 Main Tera Dushman-Feature Film |
| | 10:30 Clint Eastwood Festival Premiere Movie : Joe Kidd | |
| | 12:30 Silk Stalkings VIII | |
| | 1:30 Pacific Blue II | |
| | 2:30 Pensacola III | |
| | 3:30 Alfred Hitchcock Presents | |
| | ANIMAL | |
| | PLANET | |
| | 7:00 K-9 to 5 | |
| | 7:30 Animal Doctor II | |