

Ronaldo routs Depor

AFP, Madrid



Cristiano Ronaldo hit a hat-trick as Real Madrid kept on the trail of leaders Barcelona with a 5-1 rout of Deportivo La Coruna on Sunday.

The visitors took a shock lead after 15 minutes through Riki but Madrid quickly bounced back with Ronaldo hitting his first from the penalty spot after Angel Di Maria was felled.

It was Di Maria himself who put his team ahead and then Ronaldo got his second shortly before the break.

With Madrid controlling the game Pepe headed home and Ronaldo scored another penalty in the second half to complete the rout and remain eight points behind Barcelona who beat Sevilla 3-2 on Saturday.

While Barca have won all six of their opening games, Madrid made a stuttering start but will now go into next weekend's El Clasico with back-to-back wins and Ronaldo hitting form.

Real coach Jose Mourinho chose to rest Xabi Alonso and Alvaro Arbeloa and, in a new-look midfield, Sami

Khedira was joined by Luka Modric in the centre, who up until Sunday had played further forward.

At the back, Sergio Ramos switched to right back with Raphael Varane coming into the centre.

Madrid had plenty of early pressure with Ronaldo having a snap shot after 10 minutes which keeper Daniel Aranzubia got down well to block and

Di Maria was lively in attack and seemed the most likely to offer a response.

He chipped over the crossbar from a tight angle and then won a penalty after being pulled down by Manuel Pablo which was dispatched by Ronaldo.

It was Di Maria who then put Madrid ahead with a clinical finish inside the area after a fine through ball from Modric.

While his big rival at Barcelona Lionel Messi has continued his blistering form this season, it has not been the same for Ronaldo who has not reached his usual standards, claiming that he was unhappy.

He lacked his killer touch after bursting past Manuel Pablo after 32 minutes as he fired wide but he showed desire to pounce and extend Madrid's lead before the break.

Sergio Ramos' shot was well saved by Aranzubia and Ronaldo was the first to react as he dived in to head the ball over the line.

Kaka was given a rare appearance after the break and Alonso was also introduced as Madrid were able to stroll in the second half with Deportivo offering little.

RESULTS

Granada 2 (Siqueira 11-pen, Torje 17)
Celta Vigo 1 (Aspas 20)

Valladolid 6 (Bueno 10, Manucho 13, 86, Oscar 21, 56, Rukavina 37) Rayo Vallecano 1 (Dominguez 5)

Osasuna 4 (Armenteros 55, Lamah 82, David Timor Copovi 89-pen, Nino 90+3) Levante 0

Real Madrid 5 (Ronaldo 23-pen, 44, 84-pen, di Maria 38, Pepe 67) Deportivo La Coruna 1 (Riki 16)

then the Portuguese fired wide from the edge of the area.

The visitors had seen little of the ball but went ahead through practically their first attack thanks to a Madrid defence which had gaping holes.

The ball was played into Riki who found plenty of space between Varane and Pepe and then slotted into the corner.



Real Madrid star Cristiano Ronaldo celebrates one of his three goals against Deportivo La Coruna during their Primera Liga encounter at Bernabeu on Sunday.

PHOTO: AFP

Llorente storms out of training

AFP, Madrid

Athletic Bilbao's Spanish striker Fernando Llorente stormed out of training on Monday after a row with coach Marcelo Bielsa, local media reported.

"Llorente left the training pitch unexpectedly after a conversation with Marcelo Bielsa who didn't seem satisfied with the striker's performance during the morning session," the sports daily Marca reported.

There have been increasing tensions between the Argentinian coach and the 27-year-old Llorente, who has announced that he will not renew his contract with the Basque club at the end of the season.

Since then Llorente has played rarely for the club who lost their Basque derby Saturday to Real Sociedad, with the striker coming on as a substitute after 65 minutes.

The club are currently just one point above the drop zone with just five points from six matches.

Robben out of BATE tie

REUTERS, Berlin

Winger Arjen Robben is recovering from a minor muscle problem and will miss Tuesday's Champions League match in Belarus against BATE Borisov, the Bundesliga club said.

Dutch international Robben did not play in Bayern's 2-0 league win over Werder Bremen on Saturday but his absence was not felt as the Bavarians cruised to their sixth win in six league games.

Bayern, who opened their Group F campaign with a 2-1 victory over Valencia, have won nine straight games in all competitions this season.

Modest Messi

REUTERS, Madrid



Lionel Messi wants to be remembered as a good friend and colleague to his teammates rather than as the best player in the world, the unassuming Argentine said in an interview on Monday.

The 25-year-old Barcelona forward has won three consecutive World Player of the Year awards, and is expected to be in the running for a fourth this year, after scoring an unprecedented 73 goals in all competitions last season.

"I prefer to win titles with the team ahead of individual awards or scoring more goals than anyone else," Messi told Spanish daily EL Pais.

"I am more worried about being a good person than being the best football player in the world. When all this is over, what are you left with?"

"When I retire, I hope I am remembered for being a decent guy. I like to score goals but I also like to have friends among the people I have played with."

Messi is expecting the birth of his first child, a boy to be named Thiago, in the next month, but does not seem to have been distracted on the pitch.

He has netted 10 goals in all competitions so far, under Pep Guardiola's former assistant Tito Vilanova.

The relatively unknown Vilanova appears to have settled in to his new role quickly and the side top La Liga after a

perfect six wins from six.

Vilanova has been helped by a prior knowledge of many of the players, including Messi, from his time spent working in the famed Barca youth academy 'La Masia'.

"I was pleased with the news that Tito was the replacement for Pep," Messi added. "I have known him since I was a lad."

"Tito was the first person who had faith in me, because at the time I was a substitute or didn't play, and he was the one who made me starter in that category (Under-16s)."

"I know him well, he's open. He tells you things to your face without any type of problem, I like this."

Barcelona resume their great rivalry with champions Real Madrid on Sunday, when Jose Mourinho's team visit the Nou Camp in La Liga having already overcome the Catalans in the Spanish Super Cup back in August.

"It's the best feeling to beat Madrid because of the importance attached to it," Messi said of the 'Clasico' as he went on to detail the strengths of their eternal rivals.

"Madrid kill you on the counter-attack," he said. "They have extremely fast forwards, and the link-up between the defence and the attack lasts only five seconds and it is a goal. They don't need to play well to score three against you."

"I am lucky enough to know well (fellow Argentinians) Gonzalo Higuain and Angel Di Maria. Higuain isn't in the game, touches the ball twice, and scores two goals. Madrid score goals out of nothing."



Barcelona superstar Lionel Messi gestures during their Primera Liga clash against Sevilla at the Ramon Sanchez Pizjuan Stadium on Saturday.

PHOTO: AFP

Inter break San Siro curse

AFP, Milan



Inter Milan finally put their San Siro curse to bed Sunday by defeating Fiorentina 2-1 in a pulsating end-to-end match.

City rivals Inter and AC Milan had both failed to win at their shared ground in their first three league games, prompting Italian media to suggest both were subject to a San Siro curse.

Milan got that monkey off their back with a 2-0 win over Cagliari in midweek and on Sunday Inter put in a convincing performance against an impressive Fiorentina side to secure a fourth win in six games and move up to third.

Juventus, who are unbeaten in their last 45 games, sit top on 16 points with Napoli second on goal difference and Inter and Lazio in third and fourth respectively on 12 points.

Diego Milito opened the scoring from the penalty spot in the 17th minute, beating Emiliano Viviano in the Fiorentina goal following a handball in the area after Brazilian midfielder Coutinho's mauling run down the left.

Antonio Cassano was then left unmarked on the left side of the area and coolly latched on to a long pass following Esteban Cambiasso's dummy on the edge of the area to punish Fiorentina's slack marking in the 34th minute.

Fiorentina fought back, however, and when Chilean David Pizarro was

allowed time to waltz across the edge of the area his cross was met with a powerful Romulo header which reduced the arrears.

A minute before half-time Milito missed a golden chance to extend Inter's lead when he shot from the edge of the area only to see the ball go wide.

Fiorentina were reduced to 10 men on the hour mark when Gonzalez Rodriguez, who had been booked earlier, was sent off for a needless foul on Japanese defender Yuto Nagatomo.

Both sides produced further chances to score, with Viviano pulling off a great save from Milito's close-range snap shot following a corner and then second-half substitute Luca Toni seeing his powerful header go wide.

Chelsea aim to rebound

AFP, Paris



Chelsea and Manchester United face away day tests in the Champions League on Tuesday, seeking victories which will nudge both closer to the last 16.

Despite their status as defending champions, Chelsea cannot be complacent having already dropped two home points to Juventus, though they should make good the shortfall with success at Danish Group E minnows Nordsjaelland.

Juve fans, meanwhile, will expect to see their side, who came back from 2-0 down in London, sit atop the group come Tuesday night after tackling Shakhtar Donetsk in Turin.

Buoyed by their win Saturday at Arsenal, which cemented a three-point lead in the English Premier League, Chelsea are clearly on song despite the fallout from the John Terry 'racism' case.

In contrast, while Chelsea rule at home but have ground to make up in Europe after Donetsk pocketed an expected win over Nordsjaelland in their opener, the boot is on the other foot for Manchester United.

Alex Ferguson's side may have done the minimum expected of them in dispatching Turkey's Galatasaray in their Group H opener at Old Trafford.

But two defeats in six league games -- including a first home loss to Tottenham in 23 years on Saturday -- have left the three-time European champions four points off the pace in the league and dented confidence ahead of their trip to Romania's Cluj.

Cluj coach Ioan Andone will be feeling it could just be third time lucky for him as he locks horns with Ferguson for the third time in his career.

Andone was in charge at Dinamo Bucharest when United beat them in a 2004-05 qualifying tie and he also turned out for his country 26 years ago when Scotland, then briefly managed by Ferguson, ran out 3-0 winners in a friendly international.

Having exited at the group stage last season United will not make the mistake of underestimating the Romanians, who have already banked three away points following their success at Portugal's Braga.

French veteran defender Patrice Evra says United have to shrug off the Tottenham reverse quickly.

"We have to be positive. It's not a bad start to the season," said Evra.

As United look to move on there is nothing but optimism in the air at Chelsea. Not only are they top of the Premier League but the signs are that Fernando Torres is finally fitting into the Stamford Bridge jigsaw.

FIXTURES

(1845 GMT unless stated)

Nordsjaelland (DEN) v Chelsea (ENG), Juventus (ITA) v Shakhtar Donetsk (UKR), Valencia (ESP) v Lille (FRA), BATE Borisov (BLR) v Bayern Munich (GER), Spartak Moscow (RUS) v Celtic (SCO) (1600), Benfica (POR) v Barcelona (ESP), Cluj (ROM) v Manchester United

Dogged by poor form since his £50 million switch from Liverpool, and overshadowed by former teammate and Champions League final goalscorer Didier Drogba, the Spaniard bagged the opening goal at Arsenal and freely admits the clouds are lifting for him.

বিজেএমসি'র নির্ধারিত পাটক্রয় কেন্দ্রের পাটের গড়দর মোবাইল ফোনের SMS এর মাধ্যমে জানতেঃ

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নির্ধারিত পাটক্রয় কেন্দ্র (এলাকা ভিত্তিক)	কোড
ঢাকা অঞ্চল	dhk
চট্টগ্রাম অঞ্চল	ctg
খুলনা অঞ্চল	khl
রাজশাহী জুট মিলস (রাজশাহী)	raj
জাতীয় জুট মিলস (সিরাজগঞ্জ)	jat
চরমুগরিয়া (মাদারীপুর)/ গোহালা (গোপালগঞ্জ)/ টেকেরহাট (গোপালগঞ্জ)	chm
বনগ্রাম/ভাটিয়াপাড়া/ধানজাইল (গোপালগঞ্জ)	kas
শরিয়তপুর জেলা	sap
কানাইপুর/আম্বিকাপুর (ফরিদপুর)	knp
খলিলপুর (ফরিদপুর)	klp
কামারখালী (ফরিদপুর)	kmk
রাজবাড়ী জেলা	rjb
মাগুড়া জেলা	mag
কুষ্টিয়া জেলা	kus
নড়াইল জেলা	nar
মানিকগঞ্জ জেলা	man
নারায়ণগঞ্জ জেলা	naj
বি-বাড়িয়া জেলা	brh
নরসিংদী জেলা	nsb
ময়মনসিংহ/জামালপুর/কিশোরগঞ্জ/শেরপুর জেলা	mym
টাঙ্গাইল জেলা	tng
পাবনা জেলা	pab
সিরাজগঞ্জ/নাটোর জেলা	snt
গাইবান্ধা/বগুড়া/জয়পুরহাট জেলা	bog
কুড়িগ্রাম জেলা	kgm
নীলফামারী/দিনাজপুর/রংপুর/পঞ্চগড়/ঠাকুরগাঁও/লালমনিরহাট জেলা	dnj

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ICC World T20 (Super Eights)
Australia v Pakistan
Live from 4:00pm
India v South Africa
Live from 8:00pm

ESPN
Sportscenter India
Sports News
Live at 12:00am (Wednesday)

TEN Sports
UEFA Champions League
CFR Cluj v Man United
Live from 12:45am (Wednesday)

TEN Action
UEFA Champions League
Spartak Moscow v Celtic
Live from 10:00pm
Benfica v Barcelona