

What to WATCH

DAY'S EVENT

Man City v Everton
Live from 5:45pm
Liverpool v Crystal Palace
Live from 8:00pm
Sunderland v Man United
Live from 10:30pm
STAR Sports
Serie A

Inter Milan v Roma
Live from 12:45am (Sunday)
STAR Sports 2
Primera Liga
Levante v Real Madrid
Live from 12:00am (Sunday)
ESPN HD
Primera Liga

Barcelona v Real Valladolid
Live from 2:00am (Sunday)
NEO Prime
Bundesliga
M'gladbach v Dortmund
Live from 7:30pm
Leverkusen v Bayern Munich
Live from 10:30pm

3-Day Warm-up Match, Day-2
BCB XI v New Zealand
Venue: MA Aziz Stadium, Chittagong

Dhaka Premier League
Sk Jamal v Kalabagan CA
Venue: BKSP-3

CCS v Khelaghor
Venue: Shaheed Chandu Stadium, Bogra
Kalabagan KC v Brothers Union
Venue: Fatullah Stadium

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RESULTS

Kuban Krasnodar (RUS) 0 **Valencia (ESP) 2** (Alcacer 73, Feghouli 81)
Swansea City (ENG) 1 (Routledge 52) Saint-Gallen (SUI) 0
Ludogorets Razgrad (BUL) 3 (Quixada 12, Misidjan 34, Dyakov 61)
Dinamo Zagreb (CRO) 0
Chornomorets Odessa (UKR) 0 **PSV Eindhoven (NED) 2** (Depay 13, Jozefzoon 88)
Esbjerg (DEN) 1 (Pape Pate Diouf 89) **Salzburg (AUT) 2** (Alan 6, 38)
IF Elfsborg (SWE) 1 (Claesson 23) Standard Liege (BEL) 1 (Mujangi Bia 62)
Rubin Kazan (RUS) 4 (Duplus 60-og, Eremenko 73, Ryazantsev 81, Natcho 89) Zulte-Waregem (BEL) 0
Wigan Athletic (ENG) 3 (Powell 22, 90+1, Watson 34) Maribor (SLO) 1 (Tavares 60)
Dnipropetrovsk (UKR) 1 (Seleznyov 57-pen) **Fiorentina (ITA) 2** (Gonzalo 53-pen, Ambrosini 73)
Paços de Ferreira (POR) 1 (Rui Miguel 49) Pandurii (ROM) 1 (Momcilovic 5)
APOEL Nicosia (CYP) 0 **Eintracht Frankfurt (GER) 3** (Alexandrou 28-o.g., Lakic 59, Jung 66)
Bordeaux (FRA) 1 (Jussie 48) **Maccabi Tel Aviv (ISR) 2** (Yltzhaki 71, Michal 80)
Rapid Vienna (AUT) 2 (Burgstaller 53, Trimmel 90+4) Dynamo Kiev (UKR) 2 (Yarmolenko 30, Dibon 34-o.g.)
RC Genk (BEL) 2 (Gorius 55, Vossen 63) Thun (SUI) 1 (Martinez 90+3)
Liberec (CZE) 2 (Sural 15, Ra. Kovac 62) Estoril (POR) 1 (Luis Leal 45)
Sevilla (ESP) 2 (Perotti 63-pen, Bacca 90+1) Freiburg (GER) 0
Rijeka (CRO) 1 (Benko 10) Real Betis (ESP) 1 (Cedric 14)
Lyon (FRA) 1 (Gonalon 53) Vitoria Guimaraes (POR) 1 (Maazou 39)
Legia Warsaw (POL) 0 **Apollon Limassol (CYP) 1** (Sangoy 56)
Trabzonspor (TUR) 3 (Erdogan 12, Mierzejewski 22, Paulo Henrique 35)
Lazio (ITA) 3 (Onazi 29, Floccari 84, 85)
Anzhi Makhachkala (RUS) 0 **Tottenham Hotspur (ENG) 2** (Defoe 34, Chadli 39)
Tromso (NOR) 1 (Ondrasek 65) Sheriff (MDA) 1 (Ricardinho 87)
Shakthyor Karagandy (KAZ) 2 (Finonchenko 40, Tarasov 45) Maccabi Haifa (ISR) 2 (Ezra 54, Turgeman 79)
AZ Alkmaar (NED) 1 (Gouwelleeuw 81) PAOK (GRE) 1 (Salpingidis 90+3)

Thakurgaon DC Gold Cup

OUR CORRESPONDENT from Thakurgaon

Baliadangi Upazila Krira Shangstha got off to a winning start in the DC Gold Cup football tournament after beating Thakurgaon Sadar Upazila Krira Shangstha 4-2 in tiebreaker in the opening match at the Shaheed Mohammad Ali Stadium here yesterday.

The match rolled into shoot-out after the regulation time produced a 1-1 draw.

Earlier, Deputy Commissioner Mukesh Chandra Biswas declared the six-team tournament open.

Pele on silver screen

AFP, Rio de Janeiro

The story of how Pele conquered the footballing world aged just 17 is coming to Hollywood with filming under way in Rio de Janeiro, Seine Pictures said Thursday.

The film, entitled simply, "Pele", "tells the wonderful story of the rise to glory of the legendary player," said the US company, which is producing the work with Imagine Entertainment.

Pele, 72, born Edson Arantes do Nascimento and nicknamed O Rei (the king), is widely considered the greatest player of all time having helped Brazil to their first World Cup title in 1958 and then having triumphed again with an all-star ensemble in 1970.

Brazilian singer "Seu Jorge" (Jorge Mario da Silva), Mexican actor Diego Boneta and Irish screen idol Colm Meaney are in the cast for a film written and directed by brothers Michael and Jeff Zimbalist.

Brazilians Kevin de Paula and Leonardo Lima Carvalho play the young Pele, respectively between the ages of 13 and 17 and aged 10.

Meaney will play George Raynor, who coached Sweden in the 1958 final when Pele announced his arrival as a global star.

Filming began in Rio last Monday, the producers said.

Born on October 23, 1940 to a poor provincial family, Pele was also on the squad which won the 1962 World Cup and scored more than 1,000 goals in his career.

AFP, Paris

Tottenham, Swansea and Wigan, with a first ever European victory, all registered Europa League wins on Thursday to stay on course for the knockout rounds.

Wigan marked their first ever home match in Europe with a 3-1 win over Maribor of Slovenia.

Nick Powell gave the FA Cup winners the lead with Ben Watson adding a second for a 1-0 half-time lead.

Tavares pulled one back after the break before Powell fired in his second in stoppage time.

Spurs shrugged off hostile weather conditions in Russia to deny Anzhi Makhachkala 2-0 and tighten their grip on Group K, going four points clear.

AFP, London

Manchester United captain Nemanja Vidic has told his teammates to get back to basics as they bid to ease the pressure on David Moyes at Sunderland on Saturday.

Under-fire boss Moyes has endured a bumpy beginning to his first season at Old Trafford, with United slumping to 12th in the Premier League table after their worst start since 1989.

Defeats at bitter rivals Liverpool and Manchester City in the league had alarm bells ringing among United fans concerned Moyes won't be able to emulate Alex Ferguson's glorious reign, and last weekend's 2-1 home loss against West Bromwich Albion sparked a rare chorus of disapproval from the Old Trafford crowd.

United's 1-1 draw at Shakhtar

Manchester United captain Nemanja Vidic (on the ground) tackles Shakhtar Donetsk's Douglas Costa during their Champions League tie in Donetsk on Wednesday.

PHOTO: AFP

Wigan Athletic midfielder Nick Powell is about to score his team's third goal during their Europa League match against Maribor at the DW Stadium on Thursday.

Wigan's maiden win

Jermain Defoe celebrated his call-up to the England squad earlier in the day for this month's final batch of World Cup qualifiers with the first goal.

Set up by Lewis Holtby he struck from inside the box after the half hour mark, rifling the ball into the roof of the net.

That left the striker one goal shy of Martin Chivers' European club record tally of 24.

Nacer Chadli doubled up five minutes later for his second goal since arriving from FC Twente.

Again Holtby was involved, playing the ball out to Kyle Walker, with the right-back slipping the ball across to Chadli to sweep home.

The game, played on the Ramenskoye pitch in the Moscow suburbs 1,100 miles away from Anzhi's home stadium due to the conflict in

Dagestan, turned more in Anzhi's favour after the break, but they were unable to find a way back.

Tottenham coach Andre Villas-Boas, who had fielded a nearly all-fresh line-up from the side that drew 1-1 with Chelsea last weekend and with West Brom looming on Sunday.

Swansea made it two wins in two Group A games with a hard-fought 1-0 triumph over St Gallen in south Wales.

Wayne Routledge netted his third goal of the season in the 52nd minute to settle the tie at the Liberty Stadium.

But St Gallen's Goran Karanovic had a first-half penalty saved by Gerhard Tremmel after Dwight Tiendalli had been penalised for handball.

Trouble flared in Sofia ahead of Croatian side Dinamo Zabreb's Group B game with Bulgaria champions Ludogorets.

bottom of the table without a manager after Paolo Di Canio's sacking and still waiting for their first win of the season.

"We have to accept it has not been a great start," Vidic said. "We have not been getting the performances we would have liked and we also have to be realistic enough to accept we have made some mistakes.

"This team has a lot of potential and we are working really well.

"Sometimes the results don't come. Sometimes the performances don't come. But I am really positive.

"The most important thing is to defend right. If we defend well, I think we have a really good chance to win trophies."

Across Manchester, City manager Manuel Pellegrini is also sorely in need of a victory after seeing his side crushed by Bayern Munich in mid-week just days after a humbling loss at Aston Villa.

DRU-Media cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

ATN News, Massranga TV, Independent TV and NTV registered victories in the Walton-DRU Media Cricket tournament at the Maulana Bhasani Hockey Stadium yesterday.

ATN News (57/3) beat Daily Orthoniti Protidin (56/2) by two wickets, Massranga TV (39/0) beat Daily Janakantha (37/4) by five wickets, Independent TV (68/3) beat Daily Manabjabin (53/3) by 15 runs and NTV (82/1) beat Daily Inquilab (80/0) by four wickets.

Royals thru' to CLT20 final

STAR SPORT DESK

Stellar efforts from Ajinkya Rahane and Pravin Tambe engineered a 14-run Rajasthan Royals win over Chennai Super Kings in the first semifinal of the Champions League T20. Despite the relatively comfortable margin, the closing stages of the match was full of excitement as Chennai rallied in the end to make a good find of chasing down the challenging score of 160.

Leg-spinner Tambe was the thorn in Chennai's side as he got rid of Subramaniam Badrinath, Suresh Raina and Dwayne Bravo. He was also very economical, finishing his four-over spell for just 10 runs. Raina was the seventh man to fall with the score just on 72 from 12.3 overs, and a one-sided hammering on the cards.

Ravichandran Ashwin and Chris Morris then put on 73 for the eighth wicket in just 7.1 overs, but with 23 needed off the last over, Ashwin fell to a catch at long on after hitting the first ball for six.

Earlier, after being asked to bat, Rajasthan rode on a cool 56-ball 70 from Rahane, a crucial innings as no one else apart from Shane Watson crossed 15. Rahane, who hit six boundaries and two sixes, almost batted through the innings until he offered a catch to fine leg in the 20th over.

SCORES IN BRIEF

RAJASTHAN ROYALS: 159 for 8 (Rahane 70, Watson 32; Bravo 3-46, Morris 2-25) CHENNAI SUPER KINGS: 145 for 8 (Ashwin 46, Raina 29, Morris 26 not out; Tambe 3-10). Result: Rajasthan Royals won by 14 runs. Player-of-the-match: Pravin Tambe

Top 2 eye record

AFP, Madrid

Barcelona and Atletico Madrid look to extend their club record starts to the season when they host Valladolid and Celta Vigo respectively this weekend.

Both sides have won all seven of their league matches to date and could set a new Spanish record should they make it eight out of eight.

The Catalans have the chance to open up a three-point gap at the top of the table as they play first on Saturday night.

Gerardo "Tata" Martino's men continued their fine start to life under the Argentine by also making it two wins from two in the Champions League in midweek with a hard-fought 1-0 success over 10-man Celtic.

Young defender Marc Bartra particularly impressed in Glasgow as he continues to deputise for the injured Javier Mascherano and he is thankful for the confidence Martino has showed in him.

"Tata has not doubted for a second in putting me into the team. I am satisfied with the confidence he has shown in me," he told a press conference on Thursday.

"Little by little I am feeling more wanted. I have had two years competing with some of the best players in the world in training and learning from them.

"I have keep concentrating and learning."

The champions will have to do without World Player of the Year Lionel Messi as he is sidelined with a thigh injury.

Mascherano and Jordi Alba are also unavailable through injury, but Barca's defence could receive a significant boost with the return of captain Carles Puyol to the squad for Saturday's match.

The 35-year-old hasn't played since undergoing knee surgery in March but has trained with his teammates in recent weeks and could make a return in the week that marked 14 years since his debut.

Real Madrid are also in action on Saturday as they travel to Levante needing to bounce back from last weekend's 1-0 defeat to Atletico which left them five points off the leaders.

FIXTURES

Saturday

Elche v Espanyol (1400GMT), Rayo Vallecano v Real Sociedad (1600GMT), Levante v Real Madrid (1800GMT), Barcelona v Valladolid (2000GMT)

Sunday

Atletico Madrid v Celta Vigo (1000GMT), Sevilla v Almeria (1500GMT), Getafe v Real Betis (1700GMT), Athletic Bilbao v Valencia (1900GMT)

Football fest underway

SPORTS REPORTER

ASHIC football fest got underway at the Sheikh Jamal Dhanmondi Club ground yesterday.

A total of 40 locality teams are taking part in the four-day competition, organised by ASHIC volunteer club (AVC); a youth based volunteer wing of the reputed ASHIC Foundation.

This tournament has been organised to raise funds for cancer affected children. The closing ceremony will take place on October 12.

Double delight for Pritee

SPORTS REPORTER

Pritee of Bangladesh became champion in the girls' singles event of the ATF U-14 Asian Tennis Series with a 6-4, 4-6, 6-1 win over compatriot Rebeka in the final at the Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Protisthan Tennis Court yesterday.

It was double delight for Pritee, who also won the doubles crown in pair with Safina, beating Rebeka-Suma in 7-6, 6-0 sets.

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