

Totti double denies Lazio

Reuters, Rome



Francesco Totti scored twice to haul AS Roma back from two goals behind against arch-rivals Lazio and give them a 2-2 draw in their Serie A derby on Sunday. Stefano Mauri volleyed Lazio in front in the 25th minute and Felipe Anderson, who set up the first goal, increased their lead four minutes later with a low shot from outside the area which went through a forest of legs. Totti, 38 and in his 23rd season at Roma, lost his marker and turned in Kevin Strootman's cross three minutes after the break, then brilliantly hooked home a Jose Holebas cross and celebrated by jumping the advertising hoardings and taking a selfie.

Calgiari gave Gianfranco Zola his first Serie A win as coach when they beat Cesena 2-1, Fiorentina overcame Palermo 4-3 and Inter Milan beat Genoa 3-1 in other games on Sunday afternoon.

Roma moved level on 40 points with leaders Juventus, who were at Napoli in the evening game.

Former Manchester United defender Nemanja Vidic's first goal for Inter Milan secured a 3-1 win over Genoa in their Serie A clash on Sunday as on-loan Arsenal forward Lukas Podolski made his first start for the hosts.

Genoa gave the hosts a late scare when Armando Izzo bundled home in the 85th minute to reduce the arrears after Rodrigo Palacio and Mauro Icardi had given Inter a 2-0 lead.

But Vidic secured Inter's first win of the year to move Roberto Mancini's side up to ninth place ahead of the rest of the weekend fixtures.

RESULTS

Inter Milan 3 (Palacio 12, Icardi 39, Vidic 88) **Genoa 1** (Izzo 85)
Atalanta 1 (Zappacosta 72) **Chievo 1** (Lazarevic 90)
Calgiari 2 (Pedro 11, Donsah 27) **Cesena 1** (Brienza 89)
Fiorentina 4 (Pasqual 20, Basanta 51, Cuadrado 64, Joaquin 74) **Palermo 3** (Quaison 59, 61, Belotti 81-pen)
Verona 3 (Sala 39, Toni 72, Valoti 90+1) **Parma 1** (Lodi 63)
Roma 2 (Totti 48, 64) **Lazio 2** (Mauri 25, Anderson 29)
Sampdoria 1 (Eder 49) **Empoli 0**



Arsenal forward Alexis Sanchez takes off to celebrate his first goal of yesterday's match as the Stoke goalkeeper lies distraught on the pitch.

PHOTO: AFP

Saints stun Utd, Gunners cruise

AFP, London



Southampton climbed above Manchester United into third place in the Premier League with a shock 1-0 win at Old Trafford, while Alexis Sanchez took centre-stage as Arsenal crushed Stoke 3-0 on Sunday.

Ronald Koeman's side stole the points in a dour encounter as Dusan Tadic's 69th minute strike boosted Southampton's bid to qualify for the Champions League via a top-four finish.

It was the Saints' first win over United since 2003 and their first at Old Trafford since 1988.

After a wobble in early December, Southampton are firmly back on track having beaten United and Arsenal, and drawn with Chelsea, in their last three league matches.

United, now two points behind Southampton, could have few complaints after a lacklustre performance which condemned them to their first home defeat since the open-

ing weekend of the season against Swansea.

Louis van Gaal's team are without a win in their last three league games and recent talk of a potential title challenge is likely to be silenced as they lie 12 points behind leaders Chelsea.

Southampton have the best defensive away record in the top-flight and they easily frustrated United in a dull first half in which neither side managed a shot on target.

Koeman's side took the lead in the 69th minute when Graziano Pelle's shot hit a post and rebounded to Serbian midfielder Tadic, who swept his low shot past Tyler Blackett's attempt to clear off the line.

Juan Mata missed United's best chance, firing just wide, as the hosts pressed in vain for an equaliser.

At the Emirates Stadium, Sanchez delivered a majestic display as Arsenal kept up the pressure in the race for a top four finish with an emphatic win against Stoke.

Sanchez made Laurent Koscielny's opener and then netted his 17th and 18th goals of the

season either side of half-time to lift Arsenal above Tottenham into fifth spot.

The battle for Champions League qualification is hotting up, with Arsene Wenger's side only one point behind fourth placed United.

Just five weeks after Stoke's shock home victory over the Gunners, Arsenal legends Thierry Henry and Robert Pires watched from the stands as French defender Koscielny started the revenge mission with a sixth minute header from Sanchez's cross.

Arsenal right-back Mathieu Debuchy was forced off with a shoulder injury after tangling with Stoke's Marko Arnautovic.

But the hosts struck again in the 33rd minute. It was another moment of magic from Sanchez as the former Barcelona forward took Tomas Rosicky's pass and sized up his options before cleverly beating Asmir Begovic at his near post.

Sanchez wasn't finished yet and his deflected free-kick four minutes after the interval sealed the points.

City agree Bony fee

AFP, London

Manchester City have agreed a £30 million (\$44 million) fee to sign Swansea's Ivory Coast striker Wilfried Bony according to British media reports on Sunday.

The 26-year-old is currently preparing for the Africa Cup of Nations, but City have been pushing to seal a deal for the former Vitesse Arnhem star and it is believed the move will be officially confirmed early next week.

He has scored nine Premier League goals already this season, having managed 17 in the league in the 2013-14 campaign.

Wolsburg starlet killed in car crash

AFP, Berlin

Belgian under-21 international and Wolfsburg midfielder Junior Malanda died when a car he was travelling in smashed into a tree, the German club said on Saturday.

The 20-year-old, who died at the scene of the accident, had been a back seat passenger when the driver lost control and slid off the road, police said. The two other people in the car survived.

FIFA BALLON D'OR TONIGHT

Two in a row for Ronaldo?

AFP, Zurich

Cristiano Ronaldo is the favourite to win the Ballon d'Or for the second year in succession at Monday's gala ceremony in Zurich ahead of Manuel Neuer and Lionel Messi.

Messi has finished in the top two in each of the last seven years but, despite another prolific year in 2014, appears this time to be lagging behind his two rivals.

A disappointing World Cup, in which he was eliminated at the group stage with Portugal, has not prevented Ronaldo from staking a strong claim to win the prize for the third time overall.

The 29-year-old Real Madrid superstar scored a remarkable 61 goals in the calendar year as he helped his club win the Champions League, Copa del Rey and UEFA Super Cup before ending 2014 by securing the Club World Cup.

Ronaldo scored a record 17 goals in last season's Champions League and has already netted a phenomenal 26 goals in 16 La Liga games this season.

Unsurprisingly, he has received fierce support from his club, who feel that Ronaldo would be the only worthy winner of the prize and felt compelled to publicly criticise UEFA president Michel Platini for his suggestions that Neuer should take the award.

Platini said in November that a German should win the award following their World Cup triumph.

In response, Madrid expressed surprise at (Platini's) repeated remarks regarding his personal preferences for who should win the Ballon d'Or, and added that Ronaldo was "deserving more than ever of winning the Ballon d'Or."

However, Neuer -- the only one of six German World Cup winners on the initial shortlist to make the final three -- makes a good case to become the first



CRISTIANO RONALDO LIONEL MESSI MANUEL NEUER

PAST WINNERS

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| 2013
Cristiano Ronaldo (Real Madrid/POR) | 2006
Fabio Cannavaro (Real Madrid/ITA) |
| 2009-2012
Lionel Messi (Barcelona/ARG) | 2005
Ronaldinho (Barcelona/BRA) |
| 2008
Cristiano Ronaldo (Manchester United/POR) | 2004
Andriy Shevchenko (AC Milan/UKR) |
| 2007
Kaka (AC Milan/BRA) | 2003
Pavel Nedved (Juventus/CZE) |

goalkeeper to take the prize since Lev Yashin of the Soviet Union in 1963, and the first German since Lothar Matthaeus in 1990, the year West Germany lifted the World Cup in Italy.

After helping Pep Guardiola's Bayern win a domestic double in Germany, Neuer, 28, was outstanding in his country's run to World Cup glory, as they beat Argentina 1-0 after extra time in the final at the Maracana.

Diego Maradona and 2004 winner Andriy Shevchenko have given Neuer their backing, while Germany coach Joachim Loew told Bild: "Any other choice than Neuer will disappoint me."

However, Neuer himself is remaining cautious after seeing his widely-tipped club colleague Franck Ribery come away disappointed at last year's ceremony.

Despite his fame, and the fact that he scored 58 goals in 66 games for club and country in 2014, Messi's candidature is not helped by the fact that he failed to win a trophy with Barcelona.

And while he captained Argentina to the World Cup final, the 27-year-old failed to perform to his usual sky-high standards in the knockout stage in Brazil, even if he came away with the Golden Ball award for the tournament's best player.

PSG stunned by comeback

AFP, Paris

Paris Saint Germain gave up a two-goal lead as Bastia stormed back to win 4-2 in Corsica on Saturday as the defending champions spurned the chance to go top of Ligue 1.

Instead the shock loss left Paris in fourth place after Saint Etienne extended their unbeaten league run to 10 games, beating Reims 2-1 to climb up to third.

PSG had looked to be in total control after goals in the 10th minute from Lucas, a lovely lob, and in the 20th when the 19-year-old Tottenham-linked midfielder Adrien Rabiot pounced on the loose ball and fired it with his left foot into the bottom corner.

Ryad Boudebouz pulled one back from the spot for Bastia on the half-hour after Gregory Van der Wiel was harshly judged to have handled.

And just on the stroke of half-time David Luiz was caught napping as Francois Modesto headed home a corner.

Bastia took the lead with a thunderbolt in every sense of the word, as defender Julien Palmieri latched on to a poorly cleared corner in the 56th minute and unleashed a jaw-dropping half-volley.

The pulsating game ended when Palmieri ran clear of the defence to make it 4-2 in the 89th minute for a fully deserved win.

Iran, UAE cruise

AFP, Sydney



Ehsan Hajsafi's glorious volley fired Iran to victory over Bahrain and Omar Abdulrahman starred for UAE as the region's brightest stars turned on the style at the Asian Cup Sunday.

Hajsafi's swift control and scything strike from the corner of the box raised the roof at Melbourne Rectangular Stadium as Team Melli opened with a pulsating 2-0 win.

Earlier UAE's top-rated midfielder Oman Abdulrahman bewitched Gulf rivals Qatar in a 4-1 rout achieved through braces to both Ahmed Khalil and Ali Mabkhout in Canberra.

UAE went behind to "Qatari Maradona"

Khalfan Ibrahim's sweetly executed volley before they roared back to put a huge hole in the campaign of the 2022 World Cup hosts.

But with nearly the last kick of the first half, Hajsafi struck when he juggled a clearance from his left to his right boot and smashed it into the top corner.

Okwunwanne knocked Iran keeper Alireza Haghighi backwards with a ferocious drive before Masoud Shojaei popped up to steer home a mishit effort from a corner.

Gulf Cup champions Qatar were profligate at the back and Khalil equalised from the rebound of his own header before Khalil's scored from a free-kick. Burhan then gifted Mabkhout his first goal, before qualifying's top-scorer combined with Abdulrahman for his second.

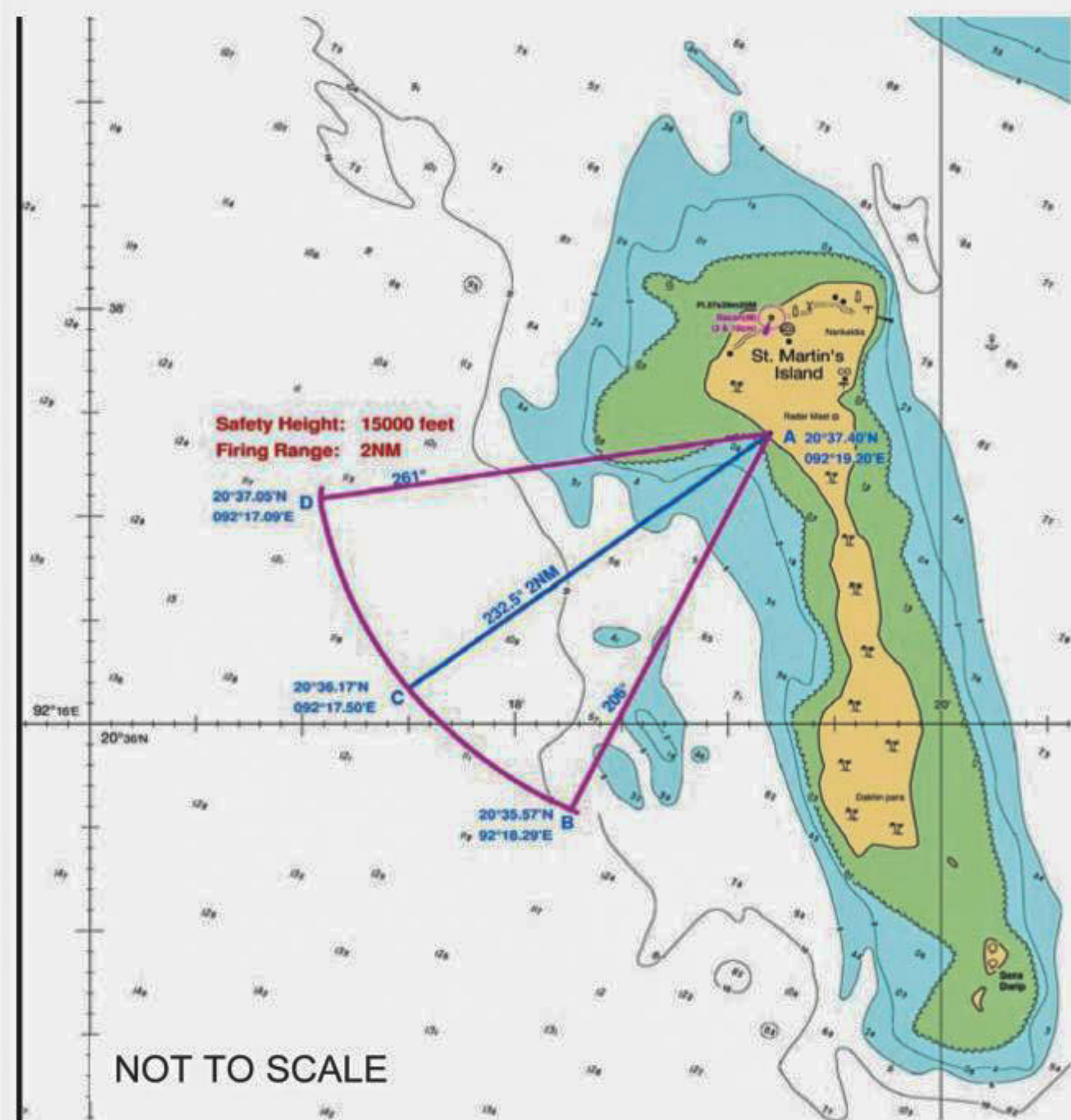


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SPECIAL SAFETY WARNING

1. Bangladesh Navy will carry out live firing at St Martin's Island and adjacent area from 8 AM to 4 PM on Sunday 18 January 2015. The firing will be conducted in the area bounded by co-ordinates A, B, C and D as shown in the sketch:

MAP OF FIRING AREA



NOT TO SCALE

2. All types of ships, boats, aircraft and personnel are hereby warned and requested to refrain from entering, plying or any other activities in the area during the said period. Danger height for the firing area during the period will be 15,000 (fifteen thousand) feet.

3. Cooperation of all concerned is solicited in this regard.

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