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Glenn gets the monkey off his back

AFP, Sydney

Glenn Maxwell said he felt he'd got a "monkey off the back" after his maiden oneday international hundred powered Australia to a win over Sri Lanka in their World Cup in Sydney on Sunday.

Maxwell's blistering century, his first in 43 ODI innings, came off just 51 balls -- the second-fastest in World Cup history behind Kevin O'Brien's 50-ball assault for Ireland against England in Bangalore four years ago.

"It was nice to get the monkey off the back," said Maxwell. "I have scored a few 90s so to finally hit the hundred was a relief.

"The top order set it up beautifully for me and Shane [Watson] to go berserk at the end.

"I didn't know about the record World Cup century but I knew about the Australian record [57 balls] because James Faulkner doesn't shut up about it," said Maxwell.

"Credit to the boys for the way they battled --Maxwell scoring his first ODI hundred, we needed his runs today," said Australia captain Michael Clarke.

"If we can hold our nerve like that we give ourselves a chance. Watching players around the world scoring so quickly and freely, teams can chase any score now."

Sri Lanka captain Angelo Mathews had no doubt about where the match was won and lost.

"We conceded 200 runs in the last 16 overs and it was way too much," he said. "We've got to improve in our bowling and fielding. If we can keep the opposition to 300, we can chase it down."

As for the 37-year-old Sangakkara's latest century, Mathews added: "He's brilliant. He's ageing and he's getting better and better."

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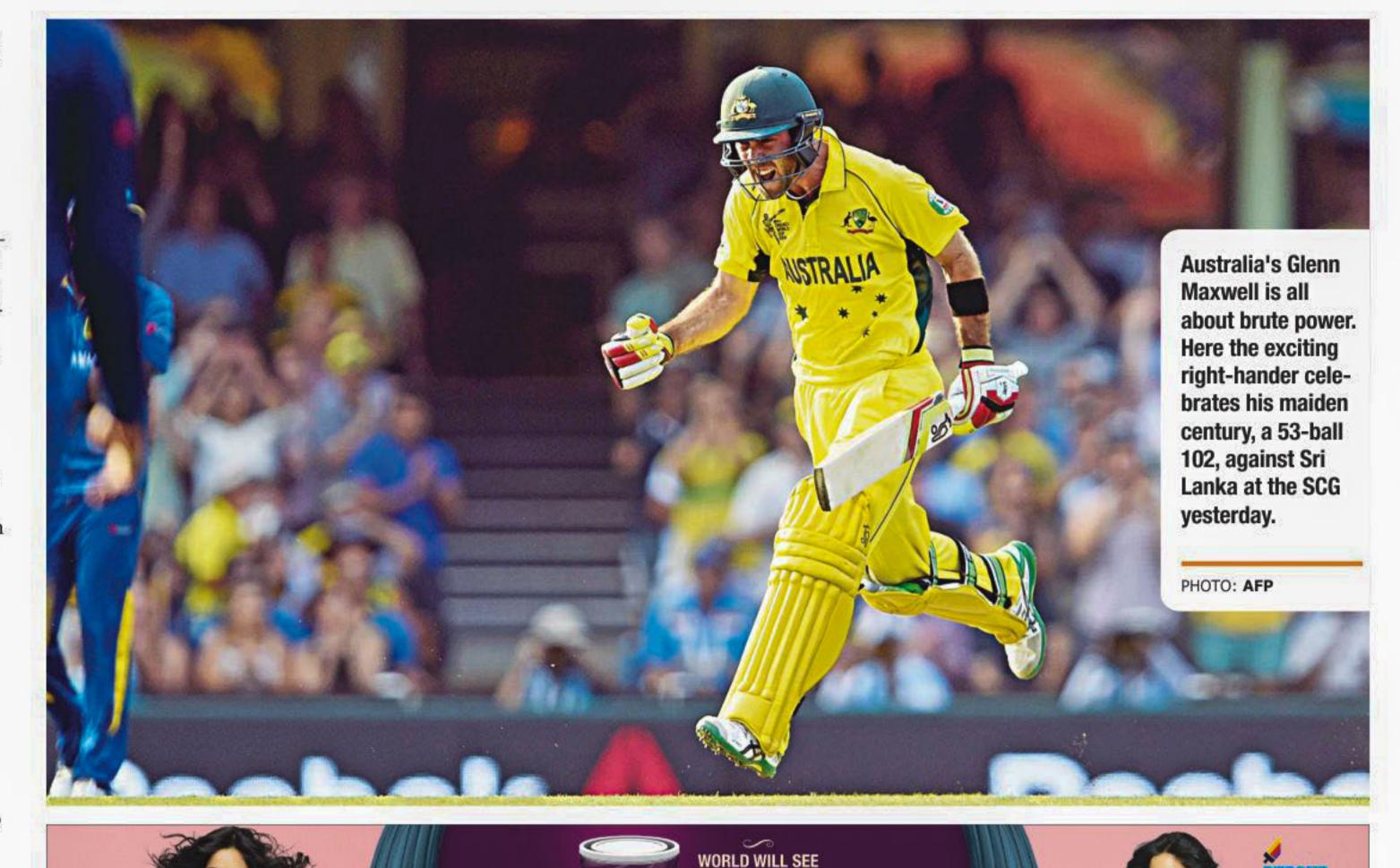
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India	4	4	0	0	8	+2.246
South Africa	5	3	2	0	6	+1.462
Pakistan	5	3	2	0	6	-0.194
Ireland	4	3	1	0	6	-0.820
West Indies	5	2	3	0	4	-0.511
Zimbabwe	5	1	4	0	2	-0.595

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Note: Top four in each group qualify for

quarterfinals



Afghans done in by Dan

AFP, Napier

Daniel Vettori became the first New Zealand bowler to take 300 one-day international wickets as the Black Caps made short work of Afghanistan to remain unbeaten after five World Cup matches on Sunday.

Left-arm spinner Vettori scythed through the Afghanistan top order, using his guile on a pitch producing no turn, to finish with the remarkable figures of four for 18 in 10 overs as Afghanistan were dismissed for 186.

12th player, and only the fifth

spinner, to take 300 ODI wickets.

On a run-laden McLean Park pitch in Napier, New Zealand needed only 36.1 overs to overhaul Afghanistan's total.

New Zealand, who had already qualified for the quarterfinals, have yet to be taken the distance in the field and the 47.4 overs bowled to Afghanistan is the most they have sent down in any match in the tournament.

doubt when Brendon McCullum, with his trademark aggressive approach, blazed away at the top Along the way he became the of the New Zealand innings slamming 42 off 19 deliveries to get the

chase off to a rollicking start.

When he was bowled by Mohammad Nabi, trying to belt his opposing captain out of the needlessly run out when time and ground, New Zealand were already a quarter of the way to their target Ross Taylor (24 not out) and Corey after fewer than six overs.

The pace slowed from nine to New Zealand home. 5.19 runs an over after But the result was never in getting the lengthy time at the crease they wanted before the ahead of this game. knockout phase.

stated manner, contributed 33, the menacing attack that greeted Martin Guptill reached 57, his them.

highest score of the campaign, and Grant Elliott made 19.

Guptill and Elliott were both runs were not an issue, leaving Anderson (seven not out) to see

It was never going to be easy for McCullum's dismissal as New Afghanistan who were already jet-Zealand coasted to victory with lagged having crossed the Tasman their middle-to-lower order not Sea twice in the week to meet their gruelling World Cup schedule

They won the toss, elected to Kane Williamson, in his under- bat, and then had few answers to

Big Show ton topples Sanga's

AFP, Sydney

Australia supplanted Sri Lanka in second spot in World Cup Pool A propelled by a 'big show' ton from Glenn Maxwell before they weathered Kumar Sangakkara's third consecutive century in Sydney on Sunday.

The Australians, aiming for a fifth World Cup triumph, amassed 376 for nine, Maxwell lighting up the Sydney Cricket Ground with 102 off 53 balls, and then restricted Sri Lanka to 312 for nine to win by 64 runs.

It was a crucial win by the co-hosts, leapfrogging Sri Lanka into second spot behind New Zealand with one more group match to play. Victory secured Australia's place in the last eight and

made a quarterfinal against South Africa less likely. In a high-scoring match before almost 40,000 fans, plenty of them Sri Lankans, Maxwell produced one of his

famed 'big shows' with a pulsating maiden one-day international century off 51 balls to leave Sri Lanka with a massive run chase.

No side batting second have made more to win a World Cup match than Ireland's 329 for seven against England in Bangalore four years ago. The mighty Sangakkara gave it a big shake, raising his

third consecutive ton at the tournament off 100 balls and his 24th century in his 402nd ODI. But the Australians breathed easier when he holed out to

James Faulkner for 104 giving Aaron Finch a running catch to end his otherwise chanceless knock. Maxwell thrilled the SCG full house with his audacious

reverse sweeps, flicks and powerful hitting in an innings he has threatened to unleash in his previous 44 ODIs.

'The Big Show', as he is known, blasted his half-century off 26 balls with a pulled six off Thisara Perera and was



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particularly brutal on Seekkuge Prasanna, hoisting the legspinner for 34 off just 12 balls.

Maxwell and Shane Watson, back in the side after being dropped in Australia's previous match against Afghanistan for repeated failures with the bat, plundered 160 runs off 13.4 overs.

The Sri Lankans were at their wits' end trying to find ways to stop the run riot as Maxwell and Watson took the bowlers apart.

Maxwell narrowly missed out on equalling the 50-ball record for the fastest World Cup hundred set by Ireland's Kevin O'Brien against England in 2011.

For Vettori the World Cup has yet to begin

AFP, Napier

New Zealand completed their fifth straight win in the World Cup when they swept aside Afghanistan Sunday but felt the tournament has yet to properly begin, according to team

veteran Daniel Vettori. In all five games, including against Australia and England, New Zealand have bowled out the opposition inside 50 overs with an aggressive attack blending Vettori's spin with swing bowlers Tim Southee and Trent

Boult. Vettori, who racked up another milestone in his stellar career when he took his 300th ODI wicket at

McLean Park on Sunday -- returning figures of four for 18 -- said the focus was what lies ahead for the team rather than individual feats.

"It's purely about winning games, and that's what we've been able to do so far, and we can hopefully continue in the

important knockout stages," he said.

The quarterfinals "is where it really starts", and form through the pool stages could not be a consideration, he said dismissing South Africa's shock 29-run loss on Saturday to Pakistan.

> "All the teams that eventually make it [to the play-offs] have got match winners. So you can't sit back and say a team's not in form or haven't played well because you go into it thinking that a team's going to play their best."

> The 36-year-old Vettori is New Zealand's most accomplished ODI bowler and on Sunday became the 12th player and first New Zealander to

reach the 300 wicket milestone.

He finished his 291st ODI with 302 wickets, at an average 31.62, and such was the comprehensive nature of New Zealand's win that he did not have a chance to add to his 2,213 ODI runs.



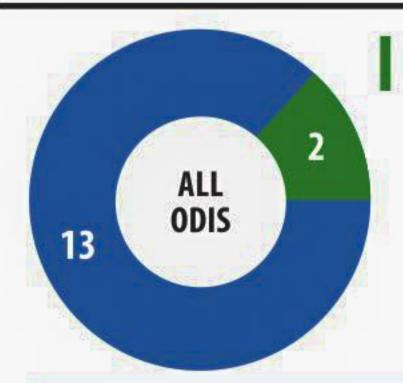
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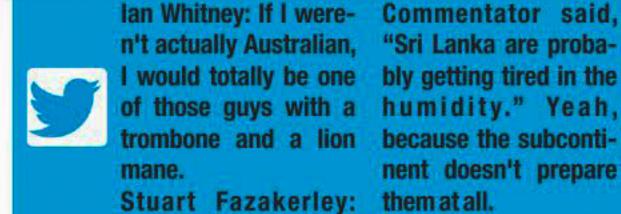




Some Sri Lankans celebrate before the Lions played Australia yesterday. A little Kiwi was all geared up for New Zealand's game against the robust Afghans.







"Sri Lanka are probably getting tired in the of those guys with a humidity." Yeah, because the subcontinent doesn't prepare

