

What to WATCH

STAR SPORTS 1

England v Australia
Fifth ODI
Live from 3:30pm

STAR SPORTS 2

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Hoffenheim v Bremen
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Schalke v Mainz
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STAR SPORTS 4

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Sunderland v Tottenham
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Leicester v Aston Villa
Live from 9:00pm

SONY KIX

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Granada v Villarreal
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Bilbao v Getafe
Live from 8:00pm

Celta Vigo v Las Palmas
Live from 10:30pm
Malaga v Eibar
Live from 12:30am (Monday)

TEN SPORTS

US Open Men's
Singles Final
Live from 1:30am (Monday)



Real Madrid superstar Cristiano Ronaldo celebrates one of his five goals against Espanyol during their Primera Liga encounter at the Power8 Stadium yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

Spectacular Ronaldo

AFP, Madrid



Cristiano Ronaldo opened his account for the season in spectacular fashion with five goals as Real Madrid thrashed Espanyol 6-0 on Saturday.

The Portuguese dispelled any doubts over his form by slotting home the opener from Luka Modric's wonderful pass before doubling his tally from the penalty spot after Gareth Bale had been felled inside the area.

Bale crossed for Ronaldo to complete his 32nd hat-trick for Madrid before the World Player of the Year turned provider himself for Karim Benzema to tap home a fourth before half-time.

Ronaldo then rounded off the scoring with two more smart finishes after the break.

Los Blancos were in action for the first time since their botched deal to sign

Manchester United goalkeeper David de Gea collapsed due to the paperwork between the clubs being completed minutes after the Spanish transfer deadline.

However, Keylor Navas proved he can be a worthy successor to Iker Casillas with a fine save from Felipe Caicedo to prevent Espanyol getting off to a flying start.

The result was never in doubt once the visitors took the lead seven minutes in, though, as Ronaldo controlled Modric's brilliant through ball before placing the ball inside the far post.

Bale was playing once more in a central role behind Benzema in attack and produced his best performance in a Madrid shirt for some time as his driving run into the box was cut short by Alvaro Gonzalez.

Ronaldo converted the resulting penalty confidently and was the beneficiary of another Bale assist moments later to level Madrid legend Raul's record of 228 league goals for the club.

Naismith rocks Chelsea

AFP, London



Jose Mourinho refused to condemn his Chelsea flops after their Premier League title defence was plunged into turmoil as Steven Naismith's hat-trick gave Everton a 3-1 win on Saturday.

Mourinho's side made a miserable start at Goodison Park as Scotland forward Naismith came off the bench to score twice in the space of five minutes mid-way through the first half.

Nemanja Matic pulled one back for Chelsea before the interval, but Naismith completed his treble in the closing stages to condemn the Blues -- with three defeats and only four points from their five matches -- to their worst start to a season since 1988.

Martial's dream debut

AFP, Manchester



Anthony Martial scored a memorable debut goal as Manchester United beat old enemies Liverpool 3-1 at Old Trafford on Saturday to claim second place in the Premier League table.

The 19-year-old French striker signed from Monaco on transfer deadline day for a reported initial fee of £36 million, making him the world's most expensive teenager, and he was quick to make his mark after coming on as a substitute for Juan Mata.

Christian Benteke had just halved United's two-goal lead with a sensational overhead bicycle kick when Martial picked the ball up wide on the left, tip-toed between three defenders and tucked a shot into the bottom-right corner in front of the Stretford End.

Second-half goals from Daley Blind and Ander Herrera had put United in control and Martial's strike provided the perfect finale to an evening that had begun with David de Gea returning to the United goal following the collapse of his move to Real Madrid.

Victory saw Louis van Gaal's side return

to winning ways following their 2-1 defeat at Swansea City and left them in second place, above Arsenal on goal difference and five points below leaders Manchester City.

Benteke's breath-taking goal had briefly given Liverpool hope, but instead manager Brendan Rodgers was left to reflect on a second successive defeat following their 3-0 loss at home to West Ham United.

Wayne Rooney returned to Manchester this week having created a piece of history in mid-week by scoring a record-breaking 50th England goal, but he was ruled out by injury, so Marouane Fellaini started up front with Martial on the bench.

There were cheers for De Gea as he took his place in goal and the Spaniard was given a gentle re-introduction to life at Old Trafford.

It was from a mistake by De Gea's opposite number Simon Mignolet that United's best first-half chance stemmed, the Belgian bowling the ball straight at Mata, but although the ball fell kindly at Fellaini's feet, the former Everton midfielder chipped well over.

BUNDESLIGA Bayern leave it late

AFP, Berlin

Thomas Mueller converted controversial 90th minute penalty as Bayern Munich came back from a goal down to defeat Bavarian rivals Augsburg 2-1 while Borussia Dortmund also made it four wins from four in Bundesliga action on Saturday.

Robert Lewandowski began the champions' comeback as the Polish international struck with 13 minutes left after Alexander Esswein had opened the scoring for the visitors on the stroke of half-time.

However as the match appeared to be heading for a draw, the referee harshly pointed to the spot with time running out when Douglas Costa was brought down by Markus Feulner, which allowed the cool-headed Mueller to snatch the points for Bayern.

Bayern coach Pep Guardiola fielded a weakened line-up with one eye on their Champions League group match against Olympiakos, on Wednesday in Athens, and was without star striker Arjen Robben who got injured on international duty and is out for four weeks with a groin injury.

Augsburg had won the same fixture last season 1-0 when Raul Bobadilla grabbed a late winner.

Dortmund kept pace with their bitter rivals after they rode a pair of penalties from Gabon international Pierre-Emerick Aubamey to come back and defeat Hanover 4-2 at the HDI-Arena.

RESULTS

Arsenal 2 (Walcott 31, Giroud 85) Stoke 0
Crystal Palace 0 Manchester City 1 (Iheanacho 90)
Everton 3 (Naismith 17, 22, 82) Chelsea 1 (Matic 36)
Norwich 3 (Jerome 35, Hoolahan 52, Jarvis 67)
Bournemouth 1 (Cook 81)
Watford 1 (Ighalo 59) Swansea 0
West Brom 0 Southampton 0

It left Chelsea 11 points below leaders Manchester City, who snatched a late 1-0 win at Crystal Palace.

Early-season pace-setters City won 1-0 at Palace courtesy of a last-minute goal by substitute Kelechi Iheanacho.

City had earlier lost Sergio Aguero through injury, but prevailed when 18-year-old Nigerian striker Iheanacho poked in the rebound from a Samir Nasri shot to preserve the visitors' 100

percent record.

Aguero was forced off in the 24th minute after a heavy challenge by Scott Dann, which saw Kevin De Bruyne come on for his City debut following his £54 million switch from Wolfsburg.

The result left Alan Pardew's Palace third, six points below City and a point behind Arsenal, who won 2-0 at home to Stoke City.

After Alexis Sanchez had twice hit the post, Theo Walcott put Arsenal ahead from Mesut Ozil's pass in the 31st minute and Olivier Giroud sealed victory with a header five minutes from time.

Elsewhere, Swansea City saw their unbeaten start to the season ended in a 1-0 defeat at promoted Watford.

Odion Ighalo put Watford ahead from Troy Deeney's knock-down shortly before the hour and the hosts held on for victory.

'Catch was fine, not the rules'

SMH



The beneficiary of the rule tweak that ensured an extraordinarily skilful outfield catch was upheld on Friday, Glenn Maxwell, remains opposed to fielders being able to claim catches while jumping from outside the boundary.

"I don't think it makes a whole lot of sense. I think you should have to get back into the boundary, Maxwell said about his stunning overhead catch on the boundary rope that dismissed England's Liam Plunkett.

Maxwell back-pedaled to mid-wicket in pursuit of a heave from Plunkett off Pat Cummins. He took the fine overhead chance but, sensing he was about to step over the rope and void the catch, he threw the ball up in the air before he touched the boundary. In three steps Maxwell managed not only to steady himself, but propel himself back into the field of play -- and as he did so, hung his left arm over the boundary to catch the ball before he hit the turf.

"I think if you look at the basketball rule, you have to



Maxwell's stunner

jump from inside to throw it back in, you can't jump up in the air and catch it on the way back in. You've got to make sure your feet have landed inside the court and I think it should be the same in cricket, said the Aussie all-rounder while criticising the rule.

"While we're taking catches on our side it doesn't really bother me, but I know if I was a batsman I'd be pretty upset if that was the dismissal ... you've just got to play with the rules you're given," he added.

However, England captain Eoin Morgan, who himself was a victim of Maxwell's dazzling fielding earlier in the innings, hailed it as a "fantastic catch" but admitted he had been oblivious to the tweaked rule.

Previously, any outfielder wanting to claim a catch while straddling the boundary was only allowed to touch the ball if they had jumped from within the boundary. But in 2013, the MCC tweaked the rule stipulating that as long as a fielder's first touch for a catch came before they had stepped outside the boundary, and that their feet were never grounded outside the boundary while touching the ball, they were fine.

Fekir set for surgery

AFP, Lyon

France international striker Nabil Fekir will undergo knee surgery on Monday after picking up the serious injury playing against Portugal last week, his Ligue 1 club Lyon confirmed.

The operation will be carried out by Dr. Bertrand Sonny-Cottet in the private Jean-Mermoz Hospital in Lyon in south-east France.

Fekir, 22, lasted just 13 minutes of his first international start in a 1-0 friendly victory against Portugal in Lisbon before succumbing to what was later confirmed as a ruptured anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee.

The Lyon star, who made his full international debut against Brazil in March and has won five caps, will be out for around six months and already faces a race against time to recover form and fitness before the European Championship.

France coach Didier Deschamps described the long-term loss of the exciting Lyon attacker as a "body blow" for the Euro 2016 hosts.

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