

# What to WATCH

**STAR SPORTS SELECT 2**  
England v West Indies  
1st Test, Day-4  
Live from 7:00pm

**SONY SIX & TEN 3**  
Sri Lanka v India  
1st ODI  
Live from 3:00pm

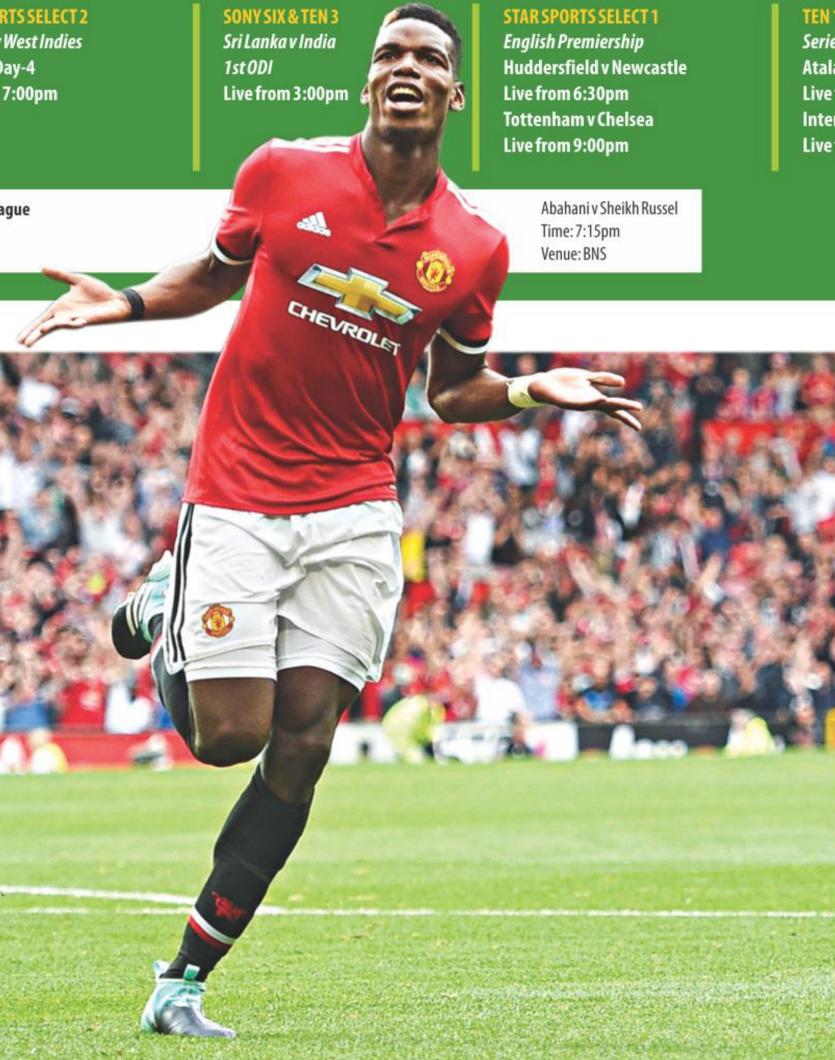
**STAR SPORTS SELECT 1**  
English Premiership  
Huddersfield v Newcastle  
Live from 6:30pm  
Tottenham v Chelsea  
Live from 9:00pm

**TEN 1**  
Serie A  
Atalanta v Roma  
Live from 10:00pm  
Inter Milan v Fiorentina  
Live from 12:45am (Monday)

**TEN 2**  
La Liga  
Athletic Bilbao v Getafe  
Live from 10:15pm  
Barcelona v Real Betis  
Live from 12:15am (Monday)  
Deportivo v Real Madrid  
Live from 2:15am (Monday)

**DAY'S EVENT**  
Bangladesh Premier League  
Rahmatganj v Ctg Abahani  
Time: 5:00pm

Abahani v Sheikh Russel  
Time: 7:15pm  
Venue: BNS



**Manchester United's record signing Paul Pogba was involved in three of his side's four goals against Swansea yesterday. After being denied by the post in the first half, the Frenchman found the net with a delectable chip over Lukas Fabianski in the second half.**

PHOTO: AFP

## Nadal loses ahead of return to top

AFP, Cincinnati



Spain's Rafael Nadal, who returns to the world number one ranking on Monday for the first time in three years, remains "destroyed" by the terror attacks that rocked his

hometown.

Nadal was upset by Australia's Nick Kyrgios in a Friday quarterfinal at the WTA and ATP Cincinnati Masters, the last major tune-up for the US Open.

He wore black ribbons during an earlier match in tribute to the victims of twin vehicle ramming attacks in Spain that left 14 dead. A driver plowed his van through crowds on Barcelona's busy Las Ramblas boulevard on Thursday, and early Friday a car struck pedestrians in the Catalan seaside resort of Cambrils.

"What happened is terrible. Everybody is destroyed in Spain, including, of course, me," Nadal said Friday. "Yeah, it's a tragedy, the feeling that you are not safe in nowhere. That's terrible. So just very sad."

"I'm very, very sorry about what happened to all the victims, all the families, friends. Yeah, all my support. It's the moment to be together like a country and all the being together, we go for these kind of things."

Spanish rival Albert Ramos-Vinolas and Wimbledon women's champion Garbine Muguruza also wore black ribbons.

"All my support to Barcelona and especially to the people that are suffering a lot, for all the families of the victims," Nadal said. "Just keep going and sorry for everything."

Nadal, a 15-time Grand Slam champion, won his 10th French Open title in June and enters the year's final Grand Slam event, which starts August 28 in New York, thrilled at being back atop the rankings after knee injuries and setbacks since he was last number one back in July 2014.

"Amazing, positive news," Nadal said. "Being number one after all the things I've been going through the last couple of years is something unbelievable, so for me it's an amazing achievement to be back to that position."

## Jese sinks Arsenal, 4-star MU

AFP, London

Jese Rodriguez made a memorable start to life at Stoke City by scoring the only goal of a 1-0 victory over Arsenal at the bet365 Stadium on Saturday.

The Spanish forward, a loan signing from Paris Saint-Germain, finished crisply in the 47th minute to bring Arsene Wenger's side down to earth after their opening 4-3 win over Leicester City.

It was an early blow to Arsenal's title aspirations and left them three points behind early pace-setters Manchester United, who won 4-0 for the second game running at Swansea City.

Jese, 24, only joined Stoke on Wednesday and he was quick to make an impression on the fans of his new team.

After driving at Arsenal's back four from halfway, he swapped passes with Saido Berahino and then drilled a left-foot shot past the advancing Petr Cech.

Arsenal, who remain without the injured Alexis Sanchez, thought they had equalised in the 72nd minute when Alexandre Lacazette lashed home, but it was chalked off due to a marginal -- but correct -- offside.

Stoke had not beaten Arsenal since

RESULTS	
Bournemouth 0 - 2	Watford Richardson 73, Capoue 86
Burnley 0 - 1	West Brom Robson-Kanu 71
Leicester 2 - 0	Brighton Okazaki 1, Maguire 54
Liverpool 1 - 0	Crystal Palace Mane 73
Southampton 3 - 2	West Ham Gabbadini 11, Tadic 38-pen, Austin 90+3-pen, Hernandez 45, 74
Swansea 0 - 4	Man United 4 Bailey 45, Lukaku 80, Pogba 82, Martial 84

December 2014.

Earlier, Romelu Lukaku had been on target again as Manchester United continued their fine form by crushing Swansea.

Eric Bailly, Paul Pogba and substitute Anthony Martial also found the net at the Liberty Stadium, giving Jose Mourinho's side their second big win after last weekend's 4-0 victory over West Ham United.

"The team was confident from the first minute," said Mourinho after a result that means United have scored four goals in their first two league games for the first time in 110 years.

"I like to see the confidence that the

players are having in this moment. There's no panic. The team was always confident and always trying to move the ball. I'm really happy."

Sadio Mane struck in the 73rd minute to earn Liverpool a 1-0 home win over Crystal Palace and get Jurgen Klopp's side up and running after their 3-3 draw at Watford on the opening weekend.

Beaten 3-0 at home by Huddersfield Town in their first game, Palace produced a much more solid display, but were undone with 17 minutes to play when Mane seized upon a loose ball to fire home.

"It was a hard job. I have no idea how much we had the ball, but it was a lot," Klopp told Sky Sports.

"We were really awake and defended really well and I loved the goal because it was not a clear situation. We had other chances, but I am completely happy with how we did the job today."

Leicester, the 2016 champions, bounced back from defeat at Arsenal to beat Brighton and Hove Albion 2-0 at the King Power Stadium through Shinji Okazaki's first-minute goal and a Harry Maguire header.

Charlie Austin scored a 93rd-minute penalty to give Southampton a last-gasp 3-2 home win over West Ham.

## Zidane sends message to Barca victims

AFP, Madrid

Real Madrid coach Zinedine Zidane sent a message of support to those affected by the terrorist attacks in Barcelona and Cambrils that have left 14 people dead and over 100 injured.

"On behalf of the club, of everyone, I want to say we had a minute's silence and we are thinking of all the families of victims who were affected," Zidane said on Saturday ahead of Real's La Liga opener at Deportivo la Coruna on Sunday.

"In these very tough moments, we just want to tell them loud and clear that we are thinking of them."

Thirteen people were killed when a van ploughed into packed crowds on Barcelona's Las Ramblas on Thursday.

Attackers struck again in the early hours of Friday morning in Cambrils where a car rammed into pedestrians, killing one person.



Juventus forward Paulo Dybala celebrates after scoring the second goal during their 3-0 Serie A win against Cagliari in Turin yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

## Video ref landmark as Bayern win

AFP, Berlin



Robert Lewandowski converted a second-half penalty, awarded by a video assistant referee intervention, as champions Bayern Munich opened the 2017/18 Bundesliga season with a 3-1 win over Bayer Leverkusen on Friday.

The video assistant referee (VAR) is being trialled in the Bundesliga this season and came into play for the first time to spot that Lewandowski was fouled in the area in the second-half.

The Polish striker dutifully slotted home the penalty to put Bayern 3-0 up after new signings Germany defender Niklas Sule and France midfielder Corentin Tolisso scored with first-half headers.

Leverkusen deservedly pulled a goal back at 3-0 down when Swiss striker Admir Mehmedi capped off a bright passage of play with a fierce shot.

On a dramatic opening night, the start of the second half was also delayed by 15

minutes as torrential rain swept the stadium.

Having won last season's German league title -- their fifth in a row -- by 15 points, the thumping win in Munich suggests Bayern are in no mood to relax their iron-grip on the Bundesliga title.

The hosts were missing a host of injured stars at Munich's rain-lashed Allianz Arena including new club captain Manuel Neuer, defender Jerome Boateng and new-signing James Rodriguez.

Nevertheless, it took just nine minutes for Bayern to go ahead.

Centre-back Sule nodded Sebastian Rudy's free-kick past his Germany teammate, Leverkusen goalkeeper Bernd Leno.

Bayern doubled their lead when the club's record signing Tolisso, who cost 41.5 million euros (\$48.6m) from Lyon, headed home on 18 minutes when Arturo Vidal found him in the box.

Tolisso could have scored again soon after when he hit the post.

Torrential rain then forced the start of the second-half to be delayed by 15 minutes.

### QUICK SINGLES

The following are a few samples of stories that did not make the print edition. However, if they pique your interest, you can always read them online on The Daily Star website by simply scanning the QR codes listed below:

#### Dembele can join Barcelona for right price: Dortmund

Borussia Dortmund will sell wantaway winger Ousmane Dembele to Barcelona if their price is met, Dortmund director of sport Michael Zorc said Saturday.



#### Rogic shines as Celtic extend winning start

Australia international Tom Rogic was Celtic's star man as the champions extended their 100 percent start to the Scottish Premiership season with a 2-0 win at Kilmarnock on Saturday.



#### Pochettino urges Spurs to forget Wembley woes

Tottenham Hotspur manager Mauricio Pochettino says his side will only have themselves to blame if they cannot make themselves feel at home at Wembley this season.



#### No Mbappe, no problem as Monaco set win record

Monaco shrugged off the absence of want-away star striker Kylian Mbappe as skipper Radamel Falcao's late goal secured a 1-0 victory at Metz on Friday that saw them set a new French top-flight win record.



## How Barca lost Asensio over €2m

AGENCIES, Madrid

In the 89th minute of the Spanish Super Cup final first leg last Sunday night, Barcelona trailed 2-1. They pushed for an equaliser when their forward Luis Suarez coughed up possession outside Real Madrid's box.

Real Madrid swept up field. The ball arrived at Marco Asensio's feet on the left wing about 40 yards from goal. Without breaking stride, he bombed the ball into the top left-hand corner of the net.

The wonder strike had effectively killed the tie, but Asensio ensured that there would be no room for a comeback when he recreated his bit of magic four minutes into the second leg. Again he picked up the ball, this time near in a more central position, and unleashed a venomous, dipping shot as Stegen stood and watched.

The irony is that, Asensio could well have been scoring at the other end for Barcelona. At a pivotal time in his development, it was nailed on that he would join Barca.

Asensio was born in Mallorca in January 1996. His Dutch mother christened him Marco after the famous Netherlands and Milan player Marco van Basten. It was an inspired decision.

As Asensio rose through the ranks at Mallorca, his raw footballing talent created a buzz in football circles around Spain.

At the beginning of the 2014-2015 season, Barca moved in to sign him. They bid 2.5 million euros for him, but Mallorca insisted on 4.5 million. "Barca said, 'No, we're not able.' They lost the opportunity," says Gaggioli. "When they changed their mind after three months, it was too late." Real Madrid had stepped into the breach.



Although he was a Real Madrid -- and Zinedine Zidane -- fan from childhood, Marco Asensio (L) may have ended up at Barcelona if the Catalan side had not wasted the chance by haggling over 2 million euros. PHOTO: COLLECTED

Rafa Nadal, a native of Mallorca, phoned Real Madrid president Florentino Perez, and urged him to sign Asensio.

Asensio has been a Real Madrid fan all his life. As a kid, he slept with a Real Madrid teddy bear. "His idol as a child was always Zinedine Zidane," says Gaggioli. "He used to have a huge picture of him on his wall."

Perez dispatched his private plane to pick up Asensio and his father. They were whisked to Madrid, given a tour of the Bernabeu and the club's training facility, Valdebebas.

A deal was inked. Real Madrid agreed to pay Mallorca 3.9 million euros and allowed them to keep him until the end of the season.

"Barcelona were not quick enough," says Aitor Lagunas, editor of the literary football magazine Panenka. "It was one of their biggest mistakes in recent years. There was such little difference in the payment. It was obvious that Marco Asensio was a different kind of player."

However, Asensio himself remains unfazed. His ability to score debut goals in competitions would bear out this sentiment. He has an uncanny knack of scoring them for Real Madrid -- in the UEFA Super Cup, the Champions League (as well as his first Champions League final against Juventus), the Copa del Rey, La Liga and last Sunday in the Spanish Super Cup.

Last season was a breakout year for Asensio. This season, which culminates with a World Cup in Russia, promises even more.

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