

# What to WATCH

**T SPORTS & MTV**  
**LA LIGA**  
Barcelona vs Getafe  
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Atletico Madrid vs Villareal  
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**LA LIGA**  
Rayo Vallecano vs Granada  
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La Liga

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**STAR SPORTS SELECT 1**  
**ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE**  
Tottenham vs Watford  
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Wolves vs Manchester United  
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**BUNDESLIGA**  
Union Berlin vs Borussia Dortmund

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Wolfsburg vs Leipzig  
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**STAR SPORTS 1**  
**CPL**  
Saint Lucia vs Trinbago

Live from 8:00 pm  
Guyana vs Saint Kitts and Nevis  
Live from 12:30 am (Monday)

## PSG magic trio in squad for Reims

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Kylian Mbappe, coveted by Real Madrid, should be in the Paris Saint-Germain squad at Reims, along with Lionel Messi, who could make his debut, and Neymar, coach Mauricio Pochettino said on Saturday.

"We have not yet announced the squad," the coach told his press conference ahead of Sunday evening's Ligue 1 match, adding that all the 'magic trio' "will certainly be among those named, we will see if they can play from the start of the match."

Pochettino said Mbappe had not told him he wanted to leave PSG for Real Madrid.

"Kylian has worked very well in training as usual", Pochettino said.

As for the striker's contractual situation, "our president and our sporting director

have been clear about the club's position", Pochettino added.

PSG president Nasser Al-Khelaifi reiterated at the Champions League draw on Thursday that the club had not changed its position and intended to keep Mbappe.

Even without Messi and Neymar, PSG have won all three of their opening league games.

The 34-year-old Messi, who signed a two-year deal with PSG with an option for a third year after his contract with Barcelona expired, has yet to feature in the squad since joining on August 10 and has not played since winning the Copa America with Argentina against Brazil on July 11.

"He is very motivated. He's a great professional who is adapting very fast to his new team mates and to a new context," said Pochettino.

"He has the capacity to adapt to a new league."



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What he [James Anderson] does, why he's the GOAT of Tests. He sets a wonderful tone for the bowling group. At his age, to be as fit as he is, it's wonderful for the others to learn from.

JOE ROOT, ENGLAND CAPTAIN

## 'IT WAS A FANTASTIC, CLINICAL PERFORMANCE'

REUTERS



England's Ollie Robinson struck four times with the second new ball as the hosts thrashed India by an innings and 76 runs to level the series on day four of the third test at Headingley on Saturday.

Resuming on an overnight score of 215-2, the visitors crashed to 278 all out before lunch, with the Indian middle-order once again failing miserably against the pace and guile of the England fast bowlers.

Cheteshwar Pujara (91) was the first to be dismissed, shouldering arms to a Robinson in-swing that

was given out leg before wicket on review, before captain Virat Kohli (55) edged one to Joe Root soon after completing his half-century.

Ajinkya Rahane's dismissal for 10 off James Anderson all but ended India's hopes of overhauling the England lead, with Ravindra Jadeja's late flourish of 30 offering some entertainment but eventually being in vain.

Robinson, who was named player of the match, finished with figures of 5-65, while Craig Overton chipped in with three wickets.

Kohli put the collapse down to scoreboard pressure, saying it was a tall order to come back into the game after conceding a huge first-

innings lead.

"We did well to stay in the game yesterday, fight back as much as we could, and gave ourselves a chance. But the pressure today was outstanding from the England bowlers," he said.

Opting to bat on day one, India were shot out for 78, undone by a superb spell of new-ball bowling by veteran Anderson.

In reply, England, led by skipper Root's wonderful 121 and half-centuries by Rory Burns, Haseeb Hameed and Dawid Malan, were bowled out for 432, claiming a 354-run lead.

Kohli added: "Quite bizarre (the first innings), it can happen in this country... we thought the

pitch was good to bat on, coming on nicely. But the discipline forced mistakes... it's difficult to cope when you're not scoring runs."

Root praised his team for the win after they were comprehensively outplayed in the second test at Lord's.

"It was a fantastic, clinical performance... look at the talent in the dressing room, we know we're capable, just have to be more consistent. And yesterday, to hold the rate and build pressure, when it wasn't going for us -- we knew with the second new ball we always had an opportunity today."

The fourth Test starts at The Oval on Thursday with the series tied 1-1.



## Anvir Adel no more

STAR SPORT DESK

Anvir Adel Khan, a former national hockey player and former joint secretary of Bangladesh Hockey Federation, passed away at a hospital in Dhaka yesterday.

Anvir, 68, left behind his wife, two sons and a host of well-wishers.

The former goalkeeper played for various clubs including Abahani in the Dhaka hockey league and also represented the national team for a few years. He had played in the Asian Games and the Asia Cup.

The player-turned-organiser had undergone an open-heart surgery on Saturday at a hospital where his condition deteriorated and he passed away, according to a press release.

## 'I'm on cloud nine'

AFP, Tokyo

US wheelchair racing legend Tatyana McFadden said she was "on cloud nine" after winning her 18th Paralympic medal on Saturday, four years after blood clots almost ended her career.

McFadden took bronze in the women's T54 5,000m to extend her streak of finishing on the podium in every Paralympic race she has entered since 2008. But she said just competing in Tokyo was a victory in itself, having been diagnosed with a blood-clotting disorder in 2017 that took almost two years to recover from. "I'm on cloud nine," said the 32-year-old, who was born in Russia and raised in an orphanage until she was adopted at the age of six.

## City gun down Arsenal

REUTERS



Manchester City made light work of thrashing a hapless 10-man Arsenal 5-0 in the Premier League on Saturday, a result that means the Gunners have lost their opening three league games of a season for the first time since 1954-55.

Arsenal coach Mikel Arteta, back at the Etihad Stadium where he worked as an assistant between 2016 and 2019, watched in horror as his team fell apart early on, with Ilkay Gundogan and Ferran Torres giving City a 2-0 lead inside 12 minutes.

The visitors remained masters of their own chaotic downfall as Granit Xhaka inexplicably got himself sent off for a two-footed lunge in the 35th minute, making an already difficult task that bit more challenging for Arteta's men.

City could then afford to take their foot off the gas but the goals still flowed as British recording signing Jack Grealish set up Gabriel Jesus for City's third just before halftime.

Rodri added a fourth early in the second half, before Torres scored his second late on to complete a miserable afternoon for Arteta and his side.

Another loss means Arsenal are without a point, or even a goal, from their three games so far this season, while City, temporarily at least with rivals in action later in the weekend, are back on top of the standings.

"Arteta knows how I love him," City boss Pep Guardiola said. "In the two or three years he was here he was important to what we built. People want results right away; with the players he had today, Ben White, Thomas Partey were missing, many players they invested in were

missing, without that it is difficult.

"I know his awareness as a manager and as a leader, the moment everyone is back he will do an excellent job. I know this because I know him, I know the job he can do.

"Today we scored some goals that we didn't deserve. We didn't play that good to score a goal."

City boss Pep Guardiola was adamant on Friday that the club did not need Cristiano Ronaldo as reports circulated that the champions were about to bring in the Portugal forward, before he eventually sealed a return to City's rivals Manchester United.

Right from the off in the Etihad sunshine, the Spaniard's confidence in his current forward options was understandable as the hosts blew Arsenal away, even if the visitors gave them more than a helping hand.



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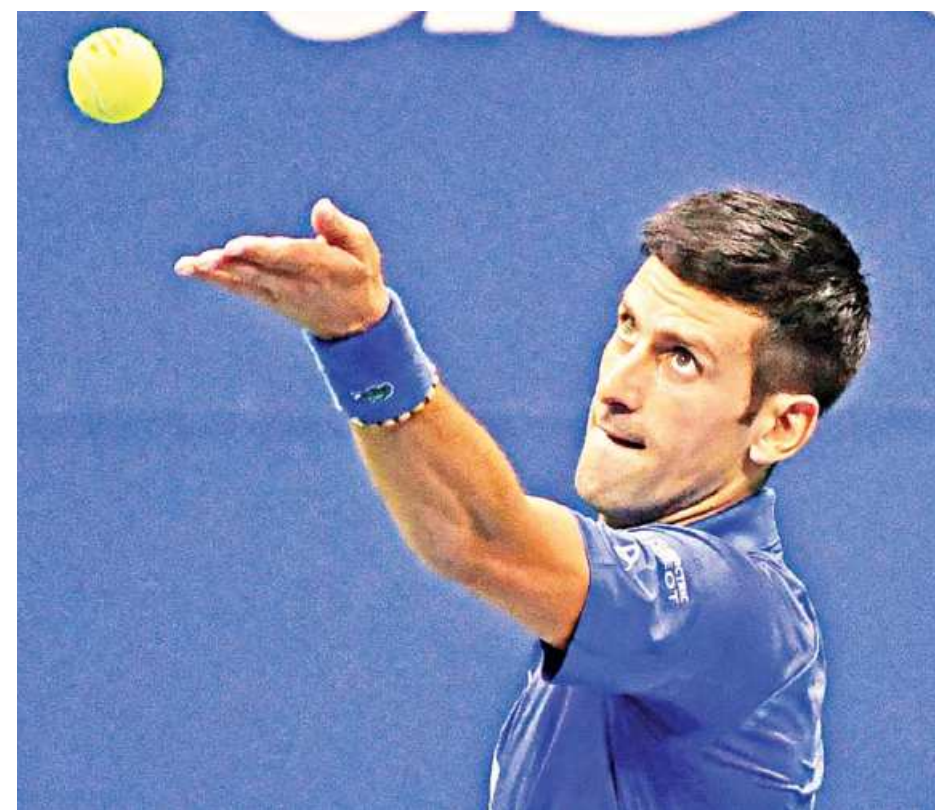


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## 'I don't want to say it's now or never'

REUTERS



Novak Djokovic hesitated to call the U.S. Open a now-or-never moment, but the history-hunting Serb noted on Friday that an opportunity for a calendar year Grand Slam could be one of them.

The fact that only two male tennis players - Rod Laver and Don Budge - have ever achieved the feat underscores just how rare such moments are.

Throw in that a Djokovic calendar Slam - winning the Australian Open, French Open, Wimbledon and U.S. Open in the same year - would be crowned by a record-setting 21st major title and the stakes may be as high as they have ever been for a player at a single tennis event.

"I don't want to say it's now or never for me because I think I'm going to have more opportunities in my life to win slams. I don't know if I'm going to be having more opportunities to win calendar slams. That's why it's a very unique opportunity," Djokovic told reporters in New York.

"At the same time, I don't need to put any additional pressure to what I already have, which is pretty big from my own self and from of course people around me," Djokovic added.

Djokovic has said several times that pressure is a privilege, and the world's top-ranked player can expect piles of it when play gets underway on Monday at Flushing Meadows.

Not since Laver in 1969 has a man

won the four Grand Slam titles in the same year. With Big Three rivals Roger Federer and Rafa Nadal out with injuries, Djokovic is a favorite to join that exclusive club.

"Obviously I know how big of an opportunity this is in front of me here in New York, where historically I've played really well over the years. But I thrive under pressure, as well. I've done that many times in my career," Djokovic said.

"This is what you work for day in, day out, all your life, to put yourself in a unique position to win Grand Slams and to make history. I have this chance, and I'm going to try to use it," Djokovic added.

Without Federer and Nadal, Djokovic is aware that the spotlight will be intensely focused on him.

On the court instead of old rivals it is young guns Alexander Zverev, Daniil Medvedev and Stefanos Tsitsipas who the 34-year-old Djokovic believes stand between him and history.

"My participation here, without Rafa and Roger participating, I feel it," said Djokovic, who will be back in action for the first time since a disappointing showing at the Tokyo Olympics. "Regardless of Roger's and Rafa's absence, you still have tremendous quality tennis players that are probably right now on hot streak."

Djokovic added, "Zverev, Medvedev, Tsitsipas - those are the three top contenders I see for the title. Everyone wants to do well at the Grand Slam. Anything can really happen."