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PSG bounce back with win at Amiens

Cavani, Mbappe score in 3-0 victory to move 13 points clear at the summit

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PSG's Edinson Cavani and Kylian Mbappe scored in a 3-0 win against Amiens, helping Paris Saint-Germain maintain their lead at the top of the Ligue 1 standings.

Cavani stepped up to slot the ball into the middle of the net after the Amiens wing-back, the 33-year-old a second yellow card. Cavani found space on the right wing when Mbappe was hauled off the Amiens back four for the home leg.

He was awarded a penalty just off the Amiens wing-back, the official obliged by showing the 33-year-old a second yellow card.

It did not take long for Mbappe to take full advantage of Cavani's decision. He was denied by goalkeeper Anthony Lopes in the closing stages.

Lyon lose ground

The hosts pushed after the break and were rewarded when Bertrand Traore's strike took a deflection off Ghislain Conan before the break. Bertrand Traore's strike took a deflection off Ghislain Conan before restoring the visitors' lead in the 35th minute.

Lyon got off to a good start when they were awarded a second-half penalty from a free-kick. Burhan Tracer's attempt was saved by goalkeeper Jordi Masip.

Milan or Benevento in the quarter-finals

The chanting came from a small section of the crowd at the Stadio Olimpico.

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Lazio dominated the last-16 clash with Novara in a 3-1 win at Caen on Friday. The hosts' disappointing season continued.

Ruben Alcaraz's perfect free kick earned the hosts a late equaliser in a 1-1 draw at Real Valladolid on Sunday, January 13, 2019. It was a disappointing result for the hosts, who were looking to move 13 points clear at the summit with their 18th goal this term.

However Alcaraz's brilliantly-placed effort in the 90th minute kept Lazio on course for a league and cup double.

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FOCUS

Immobile fires Lazio into Coppa Italia quarter-finals

Eden Hazard scored a hat-trick for the first time in his career as Lazio beat Fiorentina 3-0 to reach the quarter-finals of the Coppa Italia on Wednesday.

Ivan Perišić scored for Inter Milan, who last won the Cup 25 years ago.

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Salah extends Liverpool lead as Arsenal suffer

Hammers blow

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LEADERBOARD

FOOTBALL

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE

Liverpool goes seven points clear at the top,

Salah’s first West Ham goal in a 1-0 win at home to London rivals Arsenal

West Ham's Declan Rice celebrates after the victory over Arsenal at the London Stadium yesterday. (Reuters)

LIVERPOOL, England—Sadio Mane scored a hat-trick as Liverpool stretched its English Premier League lead to 13 points over Arsenal on Sunday. The goal was Mane’s first in 11 matches. The Senegal forward, who has struggled for goals this season, scored Liverpool’s second and third goals in a 3-0 win over Arsenal. Mane’s strike came in the 11th minute, as Liverpool dominated possession throughout the match.

Arsenal, which had been unbeaten in its previous five matches, was outplayed by a determined Liverpool side. The Gunners were unable to create many scoring opportunities and were punished for their lack of intensity in the final third. Liverpool, on the other hand, made full use of its opportunities and capitalized on Arsenal’s mistakes.

Liverpool manager Jurgen Klopp praised Mane for his performance. "I saw him in training and he told me he was feeling good," Klopp said. "He’s one of the players who can make the difference for us and he showed today that he can score goals.

Arsenal manager Mikel Arteta admitted his team’s performance was not good enough. "We had our chances in the first half but we couldn’t convert them," Arteta said. "We have to be better in front of goal if we want to compete at the top levels of this league.

Liverpool's victory keeps it at the top of the Premier League table, with 54 points from 20 games. Arsenal, which had been challenging for a top-four position, now sits in fifth place with 31 points from 20 games.

Manchester United also emerged victorious on Sunday, beating Newcastle United 2-0 at Old Trafford. United manager Ole Gunnar Solskjaer praised his players for their performance. "We played well as a team today," Solskjaer said. "The players were hungry and they showed their desire to win.

In other matches, Leicester City defeated Burnley 2-1 at the King Power Stadium. The Foxes' winner was scored by Kelechi Iheanacho in the 90th minute, giving Leicester its first win in three games. Burnley, on the other hand, continued its struggles, losing its third straight match.

Southampton held Arsenal to a goalless draw at St. Mary's Stadium. Saints' goalkeeper Alex McCarthy made several fine saves to keep Arsenal at bay. The match ended 0-0, with both teams failing to create enough chances to break the deadlock.

In the relegation battle, Sheffield United defeated Fulham 2-1 at Bramall Lane. Sheffield United moved a point clear of the bottom three with a crucial victory.

The Premier League's top four positions remain unchanged, with Liverpool atop the table, followed by Manchester City, Chelsea, and Tottenham Hotspur.

In the Europa League, Tottenham Hotspur defeated RB Leipzig 3-0 in the round of 32, advancing to the quarterfinals. The match was played at the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium.

The Premier League is back in action this week, with fixtures scheduled on Wednesday and Saturday.
**Sports**

**NBA**

Rockets rout Cavs, Raptors average loss to Nets

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Meet the new coach!

Kevin Cramer
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South African bowler Duanne Olivier (centre) celebrates during the second day of the third Test against Pakistan at Wanderers cricket stadium in Johannesburg.