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The match will be attended by His Highness the Emir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, and SC Ambassador Xavi Hernández takes to the field.

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Reds boss Klopp turns attention to Champions League

We have qualified for the Champions League final. This team is one of the best that ever played for Liverpool, 100%.

Jürgen Klopp has challenged Liverpool to use the experience of their Champions League final to date as he set to make a good impression with tactical quality of their players to shine.

City are a fantastic team. They play the game the right way, with strength and commitment. That is why they are in the Champions League final, said Hansi Flick. The last, now an assistant to his former.
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There was certainly a lot more confidence in the bowling department when a little bit more form. You can see it a bit more when you're not bowl, you're still bowling."

"I think they were obviously a bit nervous. I think we were obviously a bit nervous," he added. "I think we were obviously a bit nervous."

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Tanaka improved to 4-0, allowing 10 hits and five walks while striking out 16 in 6 1/3 innings. Snell (3-4) took the loss.

**BASKETBALL**

Toronto Raptors and Orlando Magic reach the Eastern Conference finals

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St. Petersburg, Fla. (AP) — The Toronto Raptors defeated the Orlando Magic 118-106 Monday night to advance to the Eastern Conference finals.

The Raptors will face the Milwaukee Bucks, who beat the Philadelphia 76ers in six games in the second round.

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Orleans Pelicans guard E'Twaun Moore, a 35-year-old journeyman who is one of the oldest players in the league, scored 21 points to help the Pelicans pull even with the Trail Blazers in the Western Conference finals at 1-1.

With 3.4 seconds left, Elfrid Payton mustered a shot at the buzzer for the Trail Blazers, but it left the floor just in case we lost the game. "So I really wanted to make that shot at the buzzer as much as we could. I got some loft on it and it made the ball bounce soft and it ended up going in."

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Leonard's winning shot came off a Jayson Tatum pass. Tatum passed his teammate taking a shot at the buzzer as Leonard finished with a game-high 29 points and five rebounds for the Raptors, who moved one win away of reaching the NBA Finals. Miami Heat forward Jimmy Butler made one of two free throws with 8.6 seconds left to cut the lead to 99-98, but Leonard made the other one to seal it.

A year ago, the Raptors — both then and now — were in the same spot. They were the team to beat in the East, but they played like they were scared, and they lost in the second round.

But this year, under new coach Nick Nurse, the Raptors are different. They are fiery. They are tough. They are physical. They are ready to win it all. And they are not afraid of anyone.

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Lonzo Ball's three-pointer cut the lead to 107-104 with 52.9 seconds remaining in the game. But Leonard made a three-pointer and came away with a steal to put the game out of reach.

K single-point victory for the host Carolina Hurricanes to take a 2-0 lead in the Eastern Conference finals.

Tanaka finished with a 22-3 record and a 2.77 ERA in 2013, when he was the AL Cy Young winner. He is coming off a 21-5 record last season.

Meanwhile, Snell was coming off a 9-4 season, but he said he would have to be good at this point in the playoffs. He said he had some trouble with the game already out of reach.

"I don't think we can't do it. Williams said of coming back in the series. "If any regrets, of course, we're certainly going to make sure we don't ever do it again and it won't be easy."

Matt Grudzinski (right) of the Boston Bruins celebrates with teammates after scoring a goal against the Carolina Hurricanes in game two of the Eastern Conference Final during the NHL Stanley Cup playoffs. (AP)
Kang captures first US PGA Tour title at Byron Nelson

Yesterday we finished too late. I didn’t have sleep, too much sleep about three hours.

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Kang Sung (KOR) of South Korea reacts to finishing second in the Friedberg Memorial on the European Tour. The tournament was held in Germany.

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South Africa instructs athletes body to appeal Semenya decision

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The South African Paral-"... the latest on the gender issue..."apper Committee on the Protection of the Right of Personality of Individuals (AIPS) maintained silence on the matter with sources indicating that they were still considering their options and would not be releasing any statement until ready.

AIPS said they would have to be ready by the end of the month to be able to respond to requests for information from the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

The CAS ruling stems from a case that directly affects their Olympic champion, Caster Semenya, who was found to have naturally occurring high levels of testosterone in her blood.

AIPS, which represents the interests of athletes of both sexes, said it would appeal the decision on behalf of its members who have previously won Olympic or World Championship titles in women's races at distances from 400m to a mile.

The analysis of the CAS decision is expected to take roughly six months, and a final decision on whether to appeal is expected to be made by the end of the month.

The CAS ruling follows a string of recent legal and medical cases where the issue of gender identity and expression has been at the forefront.

**Athletics**

Semenya's case has been a topic of controversy for more than a decade, with her being prohibited from competing in certain women's races due to her naturally high testosterone levels.

The latest on the gender issue will likely be a source of discussion as the world's governing bodies continue to grapple with the issue.

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The South African Paralympic Committee (AIPS) has instructed its athletes' body to appeal against the CAS decision on behalf of its members who have previously won Olympic or World Championship titles in women's races at distances from 400m to a mile.

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From planning to playing: Meet Abdulaziz al-Ishaq

Abdulaziz al-Ishaq has been on holiday in Qatar and returns to his home nation to help play his part in the Al Wakra 2022 World Cup petition has begun.

F or the eighth consecutive year and as part of the Ramadan Sports Festival, a table tennis tournament organized by Aspire Zone Foundation was held at the Aspire Zone Foundation.

The winners were awarded prized by the chairman of the organizing committee of the Aspire Ramadan Sports Festival, Abdulla Al-Mohtha and the manager of the tournament, Ali Al-Naimi, a number of the organizing committee of the event and the Al Wakra Paralympics Committee. Abdulla Al-Mohtha, a number of leaders of the tournament event and the Al Wakra Paralympics Committee. Abdulla Al-Mohtha, a number of the organizing committee of the event and the Al Wakra Paralympics Committee. Abdulla Al-Mohtha, a number of leaders of the tournament event and the Al Wakra Paralympics Committee. Abdulla Al-Mohtha, a number of the organizing committee of the event and the Al Wakra Paralympics Committee.

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