By A Correspondent

Henry shines as New Zealand down Sri Lanka

New Zealand's Matt Henry (right) delivers the ball past non-striker Sri Lanka's captain Dimuth Karunaratne during the 2019 Cricket World Cup match at Sophia Gardens stadium in Cardiff, Wales, yesterday. (Photo Credit: Reuters)

New Zealand's Matt Henry取得了三柱门，帮助新西兰战胜了斯里兰卡。

Sri Lanka skipper Dimuth Karunaratne added: "It was a good toss to bat on the field we’ve got used to this wicket in recent times. We knew they had a good attack so we had to grind them down." Karunaratne was dismissed for 11 by Matt Henry.

Sri Lanka were all out for 136 in 29.2 overs.

Henry returned figures of 3-29 and made it an unoffi cial nine-point lead in the standings.

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**Cricket World Cup**

**Report**

Australia’s Warner returns from ban to star in opening win

Warner scores 89, Finch 66 as Aussies chase down Afghanistan’s 208-run target

By Ali Martin

Warner described his knock as “a bit of stardust”.

**Scorecard**

**Afghanistan**

- Total: 207 / 9
- Inns: 2
- Last 5 overs: 61 / 3
- Extras: 1 (b 1, c 1, lb 1, nb 1)

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**Spots**

**West Indies’ Russell confident of fitness for Australia match**

Beamer

West Indies all-rounder Andre Russell can be confident of playing from a knee problem in time for his team’s big Cricket World Cup match against Australia on Thursday.

Russell limped off at Nottingham on Sunday after being struck on the knee by a ball from England's Chris Woakes.

He was not required to bat as West Indies continued to run away in under 14 overs with the loss of three wickets.

“I’ve been playing for teams with Russell in the XI,” Russell told reporters after training Monday. “And sometimes it feels worse than days but at the end of the day, I’m a professional. I know what I’ve got to do. I think I’ve got five days before the next game so it’s more than enough time to get myself back to getting fit enough.”

“We’ll see what happens. I have a good physio team, medical team, here so they’re going to be working with me closely to get myself right.”

Russell resumed training at the National Cricket Centre on Monday to give him two days before the big match on Thursday.

Russell is considered a genuine match-winner for West Indies’ team but in a 207-run victory over Pakistan at the World Cup opener.

“I want to make sure that my knee is 100 percent or if it’s not 100, my body is still ready to do it for this World Cup. So I don’t mind testing for a month or two months after the World Cup but I want to be everything plus for the World Cup.”

**Focus**

Archer relishing prospect of bowling at Pakistan: Younis

By Ali Martin

England quick Jofra Archer will be relishing the prospect of bowling against Pakistan’s veteran opener Imam-ul-Haq when all is said and done at the Cricket World Cup opener.

The 23-year-old, who was given the man of the match award against Afghanistan on Sunday, bowled left-handed opener Haq for 96, the 34-year-old’s highest Test score.

“I think the prospect of bowling against him will be exciting. I enjoyed the match against him and I think it was a decent value for both players and their teams against a good side like England,” Archer said.

Archer also said that the pitch will be a bit more even at Old Trafford, with England’s new-look team having the advantage of playing there after winning the Test series against Pakistan.

“Hopefully we can get a slight edge on this one,” he said.

Archer, who took six wickets in the Test series, will be looking forward to his first opportunity to bowl against Younis, who has been a difficult customer for England in the past.

“I think he’s a difficult one to assess from a batting point of view,” Archer said.

**England chase more ODI records and new Trent Bridge strip**

**By Ali Martin**

England’s only task now is to win the first Test against Pakistan at Trent Bridge to help fire them towards the World Cup semi-final on August 4.

England’s 96-run victory over Afghanistan on Sunday was their 19th consecutive win in the one-day international format, a record for the country.

They were without Alex Hales, who injured his hand in the T20 series against India last month, but they had a full-strength team for the Test series.

“Beamer is a good ground to play on as well,” skipper Joe Root said, “so we try to go into a good position as we try to win.”

The team is expected to field a full-strength side on Thursday, with Root saying that they want to win both the Test and ODI series against Pakistan.

“I think it’s been a good series for us,”Root said. “We’ve got a lot of good players coming into the Test side and we want to make the most of it.”

Root said that the team is confident of winning the Test series and that they want to build on their ODI form.

“We’re not satisfied with this result. We want to go one better and we’re confident of doing that.”

Root also said that he is looking forward to playing at Trent Bridge, which is one of England’s favoured venues.

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Qatar's defender Abdulfattah Hassan and teammates take part in a training session in Porto Bela, a coastal town near Rio de Janeiro. Qatar is preparing for the Copa America which will be held from June 15 to July 7 in Brazil. (Right) Qatar coach Felix Sanchez giving instructions to his boys.

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Cameroon's Siakam overcame dad's death to live NBA dream

'I have a bigger purpose and I play for something bigger than just basketball'

Milo<br>

**SPORTS**

Basketball comes home. Raptors fans hoping trophy follows<br>

**MARKET**

Carpenter's 10th-inning hit lifts Cards over Cubs

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Surging Yankees dump Red Sox

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St. Louis Cardinals third baseman Matt Carpenter is doused with water by left fielder Marcell Ozuna (left) after hitting a walk-off one-runn single during the game against Chicago Cubs at Busch Stadium. PICTURE: AP/USA Today Sports
Carapaz on brink of victory as tempers fray on eve of finish

I knew that Carapaz would try to give the win to Landa so I followed the best wheel.
**Marquez grabs pole for Italian GP**

Marquez has won three of the last five races and has an eight-point lead on Dovizioso in the overall world championship standings.

**Golf**

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Osaka had laboured to win her first two matches on her least favourite surface in January, before, with titles at the 2018 US Open and the 2019 Australian Open, she had broken through in four attempts to reach the quarter-final stage. Osaka had now gone more than two months without a win on clay, and was outlasted by 37th-ranked Italian qualifier Salvatore Caruso, who was two points away from her in the first set and twice more in the second. Osaka said she had been “over-thinking” her game and conditions.

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The Czech, who is the world’s number one doubles player, kept the pressure on the misfiring Osaka for a 3-2 lead. Osaka was double faulted on her serve and Struff pulled level through a second service break.

Siniakova of the Czech Republic celebrates winning her third round match against Japan’s Naomi Osaka at the French Open. (REUTERS/Philippe Wojazer)