Pakistan fast bowler Amir retires from Tests

Amir said he is committed to play for Pakistan in ODIs and T20s.

Playing for Pakistan remains my ultimate desire and objective, and I will try my best to be in the best physical shape to contribute in the team's upcoming challenges, including next year's ICC T20 World Cup.

England had decided to rest World Cup winners for Ashes and T20 World Cup against Australia, but they still have two failed in their bids to resume play for that Test match.

I only have a small chance to return to the side, but I am not giving up. I will keep working hard to come back and play for Pakistan,

I am disappointed, but I respect his decision. I hope he will continue to play for Pakistan, especially after his retirement from T20 cricket.

England's Chris Woakes celebrates taking the wicket of Ireland's Kevin O'Brien on the third day of the Test at Lord's in London on Thursday (Reuters/Murad Sezer).
Phelps's 100m butterfly world record in Gwangju to eclipse the flag-waving American fans after clenching a fist in the direction of the record yesterday as country-style as Sri Lanka process, without allowing them to over and I have to go. " said after the game. "My time is his ODI career with 338 wickets, to retire from ODIs. I have been 51) and Dhananjaya de Silva (2-51) and Kusal Mendis for the third wicket. Perera was reprieved on 49 balls. Avishka Fernando caught by Sou-
**SPORT**

**GOLF**

**Rahm roars to lead at St. Jude event**

AFP

**Los Angeles**

Jon Rahm tied for the lead Thursday on Day 2 of the FedEx St. Jude Championship in Memphis, Tennessee, after shooting an opening-round 63 to take a two-stroke lead over Cameron Smith and Charley Hoffman at TPC Southwind.

Rahm shot six-under-par 66 in Round 3 before finishing at 19-under 205.

He will be joined on the leaderboard by Jordan Spieth, who finished at 16-under 207.

**ATLETICS**

**Felix advances in first race in 13 months on time qualifier**

Reuters

**Beijing, United States**

Allyson Felix competed in the opening round of the 400m during the opening day of the four-day tri-

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Boks to have ‘guns blazing’ at All Blacks

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Argentina coach Mario Ledesma attends the team’s captain’s run

Mainland leads Tonga as Pacific nations start WCup buildup

Because

Tonga’s huge win means the South Pacific powerhouse is in the hunt for the World Cup title and could take on Argentina in its opening fixture. Tonga’s 32-5 win over Fiji in the Rugby Championship will give it hope of winning its first World Cup. The Islanders were a streak of nine wins coming into the championship, and they have won their first two games of the tournament. They are in the hunt for the world title, which Tonga has never won, and they are equipped with star players like Sione Katoa, who scored two tries against Fiji. Tonga’s next game is against New Zealand on Saturday, and it will be a tough challenge. The All Blacks are strong favorites to win, but the Islanders are determined to make an impression and catch the attention of the rugby world. Tonga’s victory over Fiji was a big step towards achieving their dreams and they will be looking to build on this success in the upcoming matches.
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Leclerc keeps Ferrari on top in practice

For the first time in its history, Ferrari kept the top spot in practice at the German Grand Prix yesterday, a fitting tribute to its founder, Enzo Ferrari, who would have turned 100 years old today. The Italian marque has been struggling to keep up with its rivals, but things looked promising at Hockenheim as Sebastian Vettel and Charles Leclerc were in the top slots.

Vettel and Leclerc both set the best times in the morning session, with Vettel edging out Leclerc by just 0.06 seconds. Vettel’s best lap of 1m13.679s was a significant improvement over his last race at Silverstone, where he finished eighth.

Leclerc, who is currently third in the championship standings, was pleased with the performance of his Ferrari.

"I think it was a good session, both for myself and the team. The car felt good, and I think there’s quite a bit of margin to go faster. The team’s attitude is very positive, and I think we’ll take this momentum into qualifying tomorrow," said Leclerc.

Sergio Perez, who is fourth in the championship, was third best in the morning session.

"I think it was a positive session for us. We were looking at how we can improve our race pace, and I think we managed to do that. There are still some areas to work on, but overall I’m happy with our performance," said Perez.

In the afternoon session, the grid was reversed, with Leclerc on pole and Vettel in second. Leclerc broke the track record with a lap of 1m13.449s, but Vettel was just 0.07 seconds behind.

"I’m happy with our performance today. I think we’ve made good steps in the right direction. We still have some work to do, but overall it was a positive day for us," said Leclerc.

Vettel agreed, saying, "I think we’ve made some good steps today. We still have some work to do, but overall I think we’re in a good position for the race tomorrow."

The German Grand Prix will be held at Hockenheim today, with Vettel aiming to extend his record of 12 wins at the German track.

Ferrari fans can breathe a sigh of relief as their team seems to have turned a corner. The team’s recent struggles have been a source of concern for fans and the team itself, but the performances in Germany have been encouraging.

"It’s been a challenging season so far, but these positive results give us hope that we can turn things around," said team principal Mattia Binotto.

"We’ve still got a long way to go, but these performances give us confidence that we can continue to improve in the coming races."
It will be special to go up against so many former teammates. 'Andres means a lot to me,' said Busquets, sitting next to his old friend. "All friendship may go out of the window if he stays at Juventus because I want to pay and the Premier League club's pre-season tour of Asia, expect to make many, more transfer deals can be ex-
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Manchester City coach Pep Guardiola (right) talks to midfielder Bernardo Silva during a training session ahead of the friendly match against Yokohama F. Marinos in Yokohama, Japan. (AP)

FOOTBALL

Guardiola plays down prospect of more City signings before deadline

Besides winning the Premier League and Champions League titles with Pep Guardiola, Jose Mourinho has been

FOCUS

Vissel Kobe teammates Iniesta, David Villa and Sergi Roberto will be a reunion of sorts, with both teams

FOOTBALL

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FC Barcelona's head coach Ernesto Valverde (right) speaks with Barcelona midfielder Sergio Busquets (left) and goalkeeper Ander Iturraspe (centre) prior to a pre-match press conference ahead of the friendly match against Vissel Kobe, Japan, (July 1, 2019). (JACK GUEZ/AFP)
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