Al Duhail, Al Sadd take their rivalry to continental stage

QSL champions Al Sadd will go up against Amir Cup winners Al Duhail in the AFC Champions League last 16 duel

By Sports Reporter

After contesting a five-hour drawn game in the QSL Cup, Al Sadd and Al Duhail will go head-to-head in the 7PM Qatar time (Qatar time) first-leg fixture of the AFC Champions League last 16 first-leg tie at the Khalifa International Stadium today. The much-anticipated clash will be played at the recently-inaugurated Al Janoub Stadium at 7PM.

Al Sadd sealed the league title with a seven-point margin over runners-up Al Duhail, while the former club also lifted the Amir Cup trophy over their rivals to lift the Amir Cup trophy.

Both sides reached the 2018 AFC Champions League knock-out stage, both eliminated after displaying eventual finalists, who defeated Duhail in the quarter-finals and Dibba in the semi-finals.

The Sadd will be aiming to make a strong start in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al Duhail in the continental stage as they face Al 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It was an entertaining game, the atmosphere was great and it was a privilege to reunite with our fans.

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**FOOTBALL**

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Barcelona's Luis Suarez (right) shoots the ball past Arsenal goalkeeper Bernd Leno during the Joan Gamper Trophy friendly at Camp Nou in Barcelona, Spain, on Sunday.

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Ernesto Valverde was a privilege to reunite with our fans' support.

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**SOUTH AFRICA**

South Africa humiliated S Africa in qualifiers

South Africa's Senzo Meyiwa was killed in a shooting incident, and he was a key player for his country.

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**EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

Tricky season for Ajax after last season's heartache

Ajax is facing a difficult season after last season's heartache.

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**AFRICA**

S Africa humiliated S Africa in qualifiers

South Africa's national team is preparing for the upcoming qualifiers.

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**DRAW**

UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE DRAW

The season's Champions League draw has been made.
for Premier League title race

I have enjoyed my time at Leicester... However, when Manchester United come knocking, it is an incredible opportunity

Man Utd make Maguire world’s most expensive defender

'I don’t know if it will be like last season, two real contenders, I think there will be many, many contenders this time,' the Spaniard said.

The forceful move made the 31-year-old the first player without Chinese ancestry to represent an Asian country at World Cup level, according to media reports.

The forward, who has 11 CSL goals this season, has previously represented the senior Brazil squad.

"I can’t get over it," said the 31-year-old. "It is a controversial move and I know there are people in Brazil who are not happy with this," the 31-year-old said.

"But I want to play for my country and show my support for the people in China."
**GOLF**

Poston grabs first PGA Tour title as An falters late

To be able to do four in a row is pretty special, and finish it off with a 62 is awesome.

JT Poston fired a six-under 62 and six birdies in an eight-under par 66 on Sunday to seize his first US PGA Tour title at the Wyndham Championship at Sedgefield Country Club in Greensboro, North Carolina, on Sunday.

JT Poston of the US celebrates with the trophy after winning the Wyndham Championship at Sedgefield Country Club in Greensboro, North Carolina, on Sunday. (AP Photo)

**SCOREBOARD**


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**SPOTLIGHT**

Golf-mad Japan salutes ‘Smiling Cinderella’

Japan’s posthumously hailed a frontier fan for bringing the country’s enjoyment for the sport to new heights.

The golf mad Japanese watched the death of a famous figure at a special ceremony in Tokyo.

Shibuno, who started the day with a two-shot lead, doubled her advantage in the second half of the round to win the Women’s British Open at Woburn on Sunday, finishing with a 68 and 11-under par for the total.

She said she planned to celebrate her historic victory by in-...
Dodgers rally despite seeing Joc Pederson get thrown out at third base in the ninth inning

Los Angeles Dodgers manager Dave Roberts watches as his team takes on the San Diego Padres during a Major League Baseball game on Sunday.

Nancy’s double lifts off double ligths

Dodgers to win over Padres

Los Angeles Dodgers manager Dave Roberts (30) talks with relief pitcher Adam Kolarek (34) in the eighth inning of a baseball game against the San Diego Padres on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021, in Los Angeles.

MLB RESULTS

Los Angeles Dodgers 10; San Diego Padres 5; New York Yankees 7-10; Boston Red Sox 8; Chicago Cubs 7-6; Milwaukee Brewers 3; Oakland A’s 4-6; St. Louis Cardinals 2; Atlanta Braves 4 (10 innings); Cincinnati Reds 6; New York Mets 13; Philadelphia Phillies 5; Philadelphia Phillies 1; Arizona Diamondbacks 7; Washington Nationals 5; Colorado Rockies 6; San Francisco Giants 2; Cleveland Indians 6; Seattle Mariners 1; Minnesota Twins 3; Chicago White Sox 6-4; Texas Rangers 8.

Brady, Patriots agree on two-year extension: report

Terry Donnelly of the Chicago Tribune reports that the New England Patriots and quarterback Tom Brady have agreed to a two-year contract extension that will pay him $40 million, according to a source familiar with the negotiations.

Parker says he’s ‘grateful’ for his disappointing stint with the Bulls

Chicago Bulls forward Jabari Parker says he’s “grateful” for his disappointing two-and-a-half years with the Chicago Bulls before signing a one-year, $70 million extension to stay with the team.

Muncy’s walk-off double lifts off double ligths

Los Angeles Dodgers manager Dave Roberts celebrates his walk-off two-run double against the San Diego Padres in Los Angeles.

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Kyrgios edges Medvedev to win Washington Open

“This is probably my best memory of a final. I left it all on the court.”

Shocking back from open-bracket to win the title, Australian Alex De Rijke Kyrgios has clinched his second ATP title. The 27-year-old South Australian shot to fame last year when he beat Rafael Nadal in the quarterfinals of the Washington Open. A year later, Kyrgios made it two against Nadal but this time it was in a final. Kyrgios postcode of Washington, D.C., for the second time in his career. He was joined by American Jessica Pegula, who capped her first season with a title, defeating Aryna Sabalenka of Belarus in the final of the San Jose tournament on Sunday.

**Tennis Prodigy**

Kyrgios, who has steadily improved at during the opening weeks of the season, became the first American to win a tournament this year. He has reached the top 20 for the first time climbed into the top 20 for the first time rankings released yesterday. The 20-year-old Greek, who has already won tournaments in Cincinnati and Kuala Lumpur, became the highest-ranking player in the world. While Kyrgios has been the talk of the town, his good run continued this week when he reached the quarterfinals of the US Open. Kyrgios, who has been the most consistent player this season, is looking to make history by becoming the first American to win a title in the Open era.

**Focus**

Zheng surprises Sabalenka sell first WTA title

Zhuang Stanak knocked off her fourth seeded opponent of the week in Madrid, becoming the first Chinese player to win a first title at the Madrid Open. The unseeded Zheng, who also beat Sabalenka in her only other career meeting, used a solid serving and consistency to reach the final in Madrid. Zheng has been in fine form this week, having won her first match of the tournament and then beating top-five player of the week, Sabalenka, 6-3, 6-2. Zheng and Sabalenka played the final on Sunday. Zheng said on the court during the trophy presentation speech: “I’ve got to thank my family. I’ve got a long way to go. “I just wanted to clean myself up and have a healthy lifestyle. I showed what I can do this week.”

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There really is no better feeling from a racing driver’s point of view - when you have a race like this and face a really strong competitor and a great driver like Max.

It really happened. It was so surprising. It was just as if I was riding a dream. It needed an unexpected second pit-stop – a strategic newsflash from my Mercedes engineers, so to speak. And then it was a matter of getting through the race. It was very exciting. It was our first victory of the season.

The race was electric. It was like a thriller where every lap was a new chapter. There were so many ups and downs, and we had to fight until the very end. It was a real battle for the win. I can’t wait to see what comes next. Now we have to rest and come back even stronger in 2020.

Horton says no regrets over Sun podium protest

The swimming world has been in a state of shock ever since Mack Horton refused to share the podium with Chinese star Sun Yang at the world championships in Budapest.

In an interview with media in Australia, Horton has reaffirmed his stance on the matter and has said he has no regrets about his actions.

“I was like, ‘OK, this was the right thing to do.’ He might have thought he had a clean sweep, but I think I’ve changed his mind. He’s going to struggle now. It’s been really respectful driving and I think that’s something he needs to work on. I wish him the best for the future.”

It is not just Horton who has taken a stand on this issue. Several world leaders, including Pope Francis and US President Donald Trump, have also condemned the incident.

The dispute has caused a rift between the two countries, with China calling for a boycott of Australian products. However, Horton has remained resolute in his position, stating that athletes should not be afraid to speak out against doping.

“I don’t think we should be afraid to speak out. If we’re going to have clean sport, we need to make sure everyone is playing fairly. That’s why I did what I did. It was the right thing to do.”

While Horton’s actions have been met with controversy, many have praised him for his courage and dedication to the sport. The swimming community has come together to support Horton’s cause, and many believe that this incident will lead to a stronger, more transparent future for the sport.
Lyon rips through England to first in the second over of the day. Rory Burns fell as Australia’s Nathan Lyon celebrates the wicket of England’s Joe Denly with teammates on the last day of the first Ashes Test at Edgbaston yesterday. (Reuters)