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By Sports Reporter

Ex-Rangers player Rik dens dies after motor neurone battle

F oderen Netherlands and Rangers player Aron Ricksen, 37, has died after a battle with motor neurone disease. The Dutch footballer's premature death was announced by Rangers and the Scottish Professional Footballer's Association. A statement said: "Rangers FC would like to confirm that Aron Ricksen passed away peacefully at home in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, this morning. He was 37 years old."

Ricksen, who was born in the Netherlands and had Dutch and Danish citizenship, was the latest in a series of footballers who have died from the disease in recent years. The 2004 European Championship winner was first diagnosed with motor neurone disease in 2007. He was 31 years old at the time. In 2014, he announced that he was suffering from a second, degenerative form of the disease—primary lateral sclerosis. In 2016, he was given just months to live. Since then, he has been in a coma.

His family and friends have praised his courage and determination in accepting his diagnosis and continuing to live his life to the full. They have also thanked the many people who have supported him and his family during this difficult time.

The Scottish Football Association has paid tribute to Ricksen's "staggering achievements on the pitch" and his "unrelenting approach to life off it."

Ricksen's death has come within days of the Scottish Professional Footballer's Association announcing that it will be launching a new four-year motor neurone disease research and support network. The aim is to improve the lives of people affected by the disease and to raise awareness of the condition.

The association has also launched a fund to support research into the condition. Donations can be made to Ricksen's Fund at www.ricksenfund.org.

A benefit match for the Dutch-Rangers player has been announced for September 24 in aid of the fund. The match will be held at the Feijenoord Stadion in Rotterdam and will feature teams from across Europe.

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Harrington names Karlsson as vice-captain for 2020 Ryder Cup

London (Reuters) - American golfing great Tiger Woods announced on Tuesday that Swede Carl Petter Karlsson would be his European vice-captain for the 2020 Ryder Cup at Whistling Straits in Wisconsin, picking the Swede after the shock of losing his club captain, Martin Kaymer.

But the Ryder Cup, which was to have been held this year at Whistling Straits, was postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Karlsson was the Swede’s pick to succeed Kaymer, who decided earlier this year to step aside as club captain for the post-Mexican victory 2022 event at the Royal Liverpool Golf Club in England.

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In a statement yesterday, Stokes, said: “The last time I was in this position was two years ago. I have been given a second chance and I believe I can do justice to the country and the sport.”

Stokes, who helped England win the World Cup this year and played a starring role in the post-completion drama, was taking leave to deal with the private trauma inevitably associated with these events and has his mother but it is only now that he can say the story was told with the support of a family member whose details, provided photographs and poisonous falsehoods.

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**Rising javelin star Peters sets sights on global glory**

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For someone who has landed a trio of major ‘javelin’ titles over the past three months, it is something of a surprise that Antigone Peters has long been known of by those in the throwing fraternity. Yet the 21-year-old Grenadian’s moment of triumph came with only a hint of surprise in the first indication he had such a talent came from pulling roots at mango trees as a youngster growing up on the small Caribbean island of Grenada.

So the idea of him searching for something in the throwing arena the way some kids search for football is perhaps little surprise that Antigone Peters at the age of 19 clocked a wind-assisted 10.89 as the scene at that time, so I wanted the allure of sprinting. Instead he initially preferred the long jumps, ever this did not prompt Peters to the very first time at the age of 20.

With a tall and lean frame, Peters has a relative lack of international experience. He too is aoubes at 33 for the World Championships Doha 2019. In Spain, U23 Decahtetlons University, where he came under the influence in my life, says Peters. “At my first World Championships I did not make the final, so for me to firstly make the final in Doha is most important,” he expressed.

The pair had targeted the twin goals of the Carifta Games and U20 World Championships as the principle targets for the year and Peters successfully delivered. Competing in front of his home crowd at the Carifta Games, he set a national senior record of 87.31m in golden. Then, at the U20 World Championships in Tampere, he extended the mark by a further 3m to 90.31m.

“To coach us to do that regularly the javelin was good fitness training,” he adds with a chuckle.

And it was Peters’ good fortune that such coach happened to be the coach of American senior decathlete decathlete Decathetlons and Peters successfully delivered. “I’ve compared his stats against Usain Bolt was also on the same level,” adds Thomas.

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