Japán's Yusuke Suzuki won the world championship 50km race walk final on Saturday, edging out South Africa's Ryan Williams at the World Athletics Championships in Doha yesterday. Inset: Joao Vieira of Portugal, men's 50km walk race gold medallist, celebrates winning the 50km race walk final.

Perez edges out Southgate to clinch Dunhill Links title

Resilient Wales hold off Aussies to edge World Cup thriller

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Samba and Warholm (bottom) are set for a cracker of a contest today.

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Christian Coleman hit headlines after a race was curtailed on Friday following his heat in Doha. Coleman was only able to cross the line after the incident because he was behind in the race, but in the end, he was declared not entitled to take part in the heats of the World Athletics Championships in Doha. The incident led to criticism from some quarters, with Coleman insisting that he had done nothing wrong.

In the TV series, Filip objected to which of them would get in or out of the family car first. "I stand out from other parents," he told the cameras. "I say: 'I want to help you, I want to be a European champion.'" Filip's father, Filip, who is feared as a dictator by Filip - who will along with Jonathan and Dylan be ultra-competitive for everything in a short time and have to be a champion. "I want to help you, I want to be a European champion," Filip's father said.

Coleman rejected suggestions that he needed to work as an ambassador for athletics or for parity for the drug test continuation. Coleman grew up in a short period of time and he will be judged by his performances on the track.

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Christine Coleman said, "I don't really care what he has to say. So I don't really care what he has to say."

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Young enjoying ‘historic moment’ in 400m hurdles

“It’s just a matter of date and time. You’ve got to get competitors to line up. You never know what’s going to happen once you get guys out there and running.”

Focus

Bekele wins Berlin Marathon, misses record by two seconds

Ethiopian Kenenisa Bekele won his second Berlin Marathon for the second time in two years on Sunday. The top three performances on the world list for the 2021 world championships took place in the German city. The top three in the world walked away from the dust of the past in their respective distances.

The 2021 world championships will be held in October. Ethiopian Ethiopia’s Haile Gebrselassie, who won the Olympic marathon in 2000 and the world title in 2010, was the hottest of the hot, but wasn’t up to his personal best of 2:03:03 set in 2018. Bekele finished second with Ethiopia’s Birhanu Legese in third. Bekele and Legese both set world records with their performances. Bekele’s time of 2:01:39 set in Berlin last year by Kenyan Jacob Kiplimo was the 38th kilometre before hitting top speed. Bekele was more than a minute better than his personal best of 2:03:03. He finished second with fellow Ethiopian legister on the 2021 world championships in October.

The marathon distance could be held at the last time. At the Tokyo Olympics next year, making his 2019 world record 100 in 2021. Bekele finished second in 2019. Bekele’s time of 2:01:39 in Berlin last year, soon after his world record performance which he set in 2017 for the women. Recommendations have been made by the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) with only competitions and backed by the Russian Ministry of Sport. The world record time with 10:21:39 set in Berlin last year by Kenyan Eliud Kipchoge, who set the men’s world record in the marathon, was established in 2018. The world record time with 10:21:39 set in Berlin last year by Kenyan Eliud Kipchoge, who set the men’s world record in the marathon, was established in 2018.
PHOTO FEATURE

USA's English Gardner reacts in pain after getting injured while competing in the women's 100m semi-final at the 2019 IAAF World Athletics Championships in Doha. (AFP)

Cuban Yarisley Silva receives a red flag after making a foul during the women's pole vault final. Silva finished 11th with a best of 4.70.

Russian Anzhelika Sidorova (left) celebrates after winning the pole vault gold with United States' Sandi Morris, who won silver. The 28-year-old Sidorova – competing as an Authorised Neutral Athlete due to the IAAF's ban on Russia over the doping scandal – won with a vault of 4.95 metres.

USA's Courtney Okolo (right) passes the baton to teammate Michael Cherry during the mixed 4x400m relay final at the IAAF World Athletics Championships at the Khalifa International Stadium in Doha yesterday. (AFP)

Turkey's Nezaket Er in action during the men's triple jump final. (Reuters)

Italy's Eleonora Giorgi holds her national flag after finishing third in the women's 50km race walk. (AFP)
Frustrated Osaka battles past Pegula in Beijing opener

J apan’s two-time Grand Slam winner Naomi Osaka produced some odd shots rather than the steady shots of the China Open’s top contenders in the first round, reaching the second round with a struggle.

Fourth seed Osaka, fresh off her triumph at the Fan Fa- cilitis Open, was 6-3, 6-1 winner over American 19th seed Jessica Pegula in the opening match on Tuesday, but Osaka was not as comfortable as most other top players.

Her 6-4, 6-1 win over 25th seed Jessica Pegula in the opening round of the WTA China Open on Tuesday was far from impressive. Osaka, who has won three Grand Slams in her career, struggled with her serve and unforced errors.

Osaka, who began the match with several unforced errors, improved in the second set and took more calculated shots. She dominated the third set, winning all six games to seal the victory.

Pegula, who is coming off a loss at the US Open, was unable to make any shot count against Osaka. She hit 39 unforced errors to Osaka’s 33.

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Top-ranked Karen lineHeight of Armenia claimed the men’s singles title at the Houston Open on Sunday, beating Chile’s Cristian Garin in the final. The match lasted two hours and 40 minutes.

Garin, who had been建筑材料 to 15th seed Karen lineHeight, came out strong in the first set, breaking the American’s serve to lead 3-0. However, Garin was unable to maintain the pressure and allowed line hand to find his rhythm.

The Armenian’s serve was critical in securing the victory. He had not lost a set in Houston since 2018 and had not been defeated by a player outside the top 30 in his last 19 matches.

Karen lineHeight, who is ranked 12th in the world, has won 10 of his last 11 matches and continues to rise in the rankings. He is currently at world number 12, just one place outside the top 10.
Resilient Wales hold off Australia to edge WC thriller

We had a great first half but were a bit listless in the second half, so we have to bounce back straight away. We know that Australia are a very good team, but we are also very good. We have to stay focused and make sure we put in a strong performance next time. We are confident that we can get the result we need to move forward in the tournament.

Blistering start

Wales got off to a blistering start with a try in the first minute followed by a penalty goal to take a 3-0 lead. The try was a result of a well-executed attack down the right wing, with Dan Biggar slotting the conversion. Wales dominated the opening stages and kept Australia on the back foot with some accurate passing and quick recycling of the ball.

Back-to-back points

Australia responded immediately with a try of their own, but Wales quickly regained their lead with another penalty goal. The second try was a result of a well-constructed move in the midfield, with George North scoring after some hard running and offloads.

Stalemate

The first half ended with the scoreline of 13-10 in Wales' favor. The second half started with a penalty for Wales, which they converted to extend their lead. Australia managed to score a try in the 55th minute, but Wales responded with another penalty goal to take a 16-10 lead.

Tight finish

The game remained tight in the second half, with both teams scoring tries and penalties. Wales held on to their lead despite some late pressure from Australia, who were looking to get back into the game. The final scoreline of 21-17 was a result of a resilient performance by Wales.

Match details

Wales: Dan Biggar, George North, Rhys Webb, Dan Evans, Josh Adams, Ross Moriarty, Ken Owens, Jake Ball, Leigh Halfpenny, and Taulupe Faalitu (captain)
Australia: Matt Toomua, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Scott Sio, Samu Kerevi, Reece Hodge, Tom Banks, and Will Skelton

Spotlight

England's France escape ban over high tackle at WC

England's France has escaped a ban after a high tackle at the World Cup. The incident occurred during the quarter-final match against Uruguay, where France was leading 17-14 in the 76th minute. The tackle was assessed by referee Matwee, who decided not to show a red card.

A disciplinary panel found that France's tackle on Uruguay's Maxime Mermoz was not stamping and was therefore not a high tackle. The panel ruled that the tackle was a dangerous tackle only, which resulted in a yellow card for France.

France will now face South Africa in the semi-finals, where they will have to prove that they can handle the high pressure of playing a top team. The game will be a test of their resilience and ability to perform under pressure.
Roma get back to winning ways after 1-0 win over Lecce thanks to Dzeko goal

Brazil, Denmark, Hungary, Argentina, Tunisia while Group A threw up Brazil of the men's competition, alongside Gustav, hosts Qatar were drawn in Group 2 to face India, Pakistan, and Egypt emerged the first world champions having been drawn in Group A. One of the 'new-comers' to the competition is Qatar 2019, kicks off on October 12 in Danang (Vietnam).

The Italian coach Simonetta Montagni was the first to begin developing handball in the Italian Handball Federation, presented the idea of a new type of beach handball, whose first major appearance was in the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens. Montagni was a member of the committee that selected the “Concept” organizers Paniola Bolia (COVIA) in July, which was the first event of the event. The organizing committee of the world Handball Beach Games. In July 2018, beach handball was officially recognized by the International Handball Federation (IHF).

Egypt emerged the first world champions of the sport after defeating Croatia 23-21 in the 2016 World Beach Games in Rio de Janeiro. Beach handball is a sport that combines elements of beach soccer, water polo, and handball, all played on the sand. The object of the game is to score goals by shooting the ball into the opposing team's net. The game is played on a rectangular court that is 20 meters by 10 meters. The game is divided into two halves of 25 minutes, with a 5-minute halftime. A player can score a goal by shooting the ball directly into the opposing team's net, or by shooting the ball into the area that is 7 meters from the net and close enough to test Thibaut Courtois in the 42nd minute, with Rouwen Hennings getting his head to a Sandro Tonali corner to double Milan's lead.

Barcelona, which is the most successful team in La Liga history, started the season with a 2-1 away victory against Getafe, and Junior's tap-in saw them move above surprise package Granada and maintain their small lead over a surprising 2nd placed Real Sociedad, who can themselves go top of the table next Saturday, in a match that will test their mettle at the international stage. Barca are a team built on defense and counter-attack, and they are capable of challenging for a top four spot in La Liga on Saturday night. They have a mix of youth and experience in their squad, and they are capable of putting up a strong resistance against the defending champions. However, Real Madrid started the season with a 3-0 victory over Getafe, and they are looking to continue their winning run against a tough opponent in Granada. This will be an important match for both teams as they aim to secure maximum points.
Hamilton wins in Russia, Ferrari trip team orderers

The five-times world champion wins a bath to make the fastest lap of the race to go 73 points clear of Finnish teammate Bottas.

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**FOCUS**

Leclerc still trusts Vettel

Charles Leclerc said he has retained full trust in his Ferrari teammate Sebastian Vettel after last weekend’s qualifying controversy, and plans to keep on fighting in the opening laps of yesterday’s Russian Grand Prix.

The 21-year-old Monegasque reassured the Ferrari faithful in Sochi that he would keep up the fight at the top, and Vettel’s Russian Grand Prix ended in a disappointing 19th place.

The Monegasque, who has won the last two races, said he would continue to fight even if Vettel is ahead, but he would also fight for the team.

“Sebastian will let me prove that I can do my job. He won’t stand in my way,” Leclerc said.

**AFC CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

Two decades of rivalry between Sadd, Hilal

**Qatar News Agency**

Al Sadd and Al Hilal, the two most decorated football clubs from Qatar and Saudi Arabia, respectively, have been competing against each other for two decades, before the inception of the AFC Champions League.

The AFC Champions League was inaugurated in 2002, but Al Sadd and Al Hilal have been contending since the 2003 edition when the two teams shared a 2-2 draw in the group stage of the tournament.

Al Sadd and Al Hilal have faced each other 11 times in the AFC Champions League, with Al Sadd winning five matches, Al Hilal winning four, and the remaining two matches ending in draws.

The two clubs have also faced each other in the AFC Champions League semi-finals and finals, with Al Sadd emerging victorious in both occasions.

Al Sadd and Al Hilal have faced each other in the AFC Champions League final on three occasions, with Al Sadd winning all three matches.

**Qatar shooters shine at Asian Shotgun Championship**

Asian Shotgun Championship, which concluded in Almaty, Kazakhstan, yesterday. Qatar’s double trap team (bottom, centre) comprising al-Marri, Rashid al-Athba and Masoud al-Athba also stuck gold in the team event.

**Russian Grand Prix results**

**Supersoft Pirelli**

**Mercedes (Valtteri Bottas)**

**Toto Wolff**

**Ferrari (Charles Leclerc)**

**Sebastian Vettel**

Russian Grand Prix: Vettel set the fastest time of the race, finishing just under a second ahead of Bottas, while Leclerc was third. The race ended with no safety car period and a clear winner.