Osaka ousted by Bencic while Vekic rallies for victory

Australia's Ashleigh Barty, the reigning French Open champion who was beaten Sunday, will move into the world number one position next Monday.

Bencic stunned top-ranked defending champion Osaka, 7-5, 6-4, in a joint World and Asian Cup Group E qualifying match.

That extends the 23rd seed from Croatia, Austria's Alexander Thiem and Inter Milan striker Romelu Lukaku.

"Lukaku has faced disgusting racist abuse in Italy. "We're going backwards," says Lukaku after racist abuse at Cagliari

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"We don't have the World Cup 2022 instead of going forward we're going backwards. As players we need to stand up and make a statement on this matter to keep this game clean and enjoyable for everyone."

"It's the only thing I can do more to fight racism after he made a plea to football federations and social media to work better as well with football clubs across the world."

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**FOCUS**

**Injured Djokovic quits US Open**

The pain was constant for weeks now; some days, higher levels, some days with less intensity**

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**SPOTLIGHT**

Bryan fined $10,000 for gun gesture at US Open

AP

A merican doubles play- er Mike Bryan was fined $10,000 by the US Open for using his handgun to make a ‘donkey kick’ gesture after winning a point in doubles against South Africa’s Raven Klaasen and Michael Venus on Friday night.

Mike Bryan, alongside his brother Bob Bryan, was playing in a match for the championship. After winning the point, he pointed the gun towards his head, making a kicking motion with his leg.

Bryan later apologized for his actions, saying it was meant as a celebration of his sister's birthday.

The Bryan brothers, winners of 11 Grand Slam titles in doubles, have been investigated for this incident.

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**COMMENT**

Medvedev says I was and idiot and working to be better

Medvedev was fined $10,000 for an offensive gesture during his US Open victory against Novak Djokovic.

"Talking about last match, I was on fire, I was happy," Medvedev said on Thursday. "I did some gestures that I'm really sorry for and I'm working to be a better person on the court because I think it was a good person out of the court.

"I won a very important match and I had the feeling of happiness, but I know I have to do better."

Medvedev made the gesture after winning the match against Djokovic, a fellow member of theATP Tour's Big Three. The gesture involved Medvedev's finger being pointed at his own head, followed by a shooting gesture at a line judge.

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**Medvedev says he's still working, despite the fine**

"It's not like I'm going to start playing like an idiot," Medvedev said in a posts-match interview.

"I'm working on becoming a better person and a better tennis player."

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**Most electric crowd**

"The crowd was fantastic," Medvedev said. "The US Open is my favorite tournament and I really enjoy playing in front of the American fans.

"They reacted less than the last match, I was really happy because I was feeling like I was playing in front of the best audience in the world.

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**Tennis News**

**Novak Djokovic of Serbia reacts as he walks off  court after retiring due to a shoulder injury during his**

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**Serena Williams of the United States**

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Bale scores twice and sent off as Real held by Villarreal

Navas joins PSG from Real in ‘keeper swap

Inter reportedly move for PSG stopper

Van Dijk, Messi and Ronaldo shortlisted for FIFA award

United's pogba out of France Euro 2020 qualifiers

FREE TRANSFERS

Navas joins PSG from Real in ‘keeper swap

Inter Milan forward Matteo Darmian has arrived at the club in a swap deal from Manchester United, according to reports. Darmian has joined the Serie A side as part of a deal which sees spin врач Talles Campbell move in the opposite direction. The 28-year-old, who has been linked with a move to Chelsea, has signed a four-year contract at San Siro. The move would be a wait and see event for Inter as they had been linked to a number of other targets this summer, including Lazio's Ciro Immobile and Real Madrid midfielder Ander Herrera. However, they are now set to seal a deal for Darmian, who is seen as a long-term replacement for the outgoing Achraf Hakimi. The Italian international has failed to establish himself at Old Trafford and is looking for a fresh start elsewhere. Darmian is expected to start in Inter's opening Serie A fixture against Sassuolo on Sunday, with Hakimi's exit to PSG still pending.
Australia’s Green surges to LPGA Portland Classic victory

Canada’s De Grasse powers to 100m win in Berlin

Athletes

Canada’s Andre De Grasse ran down South Africa’s Wayde van Niekerk on Sunday to win the 100m title at the World Championships. It was a one-shot victory.

The 27-year-old South African was expected to win the 100m in his return to track after missing the last two years of the 2019 World Championships due to injury. However, he has successfully returned to training and all indications are that he will recover more quickly from his injury.

The Olympic champion suffered the injury while playing a charity touch rugby game in October 2017 and has not raced internationally since. He has been training hard and is expected to return to training before the start of the new season. He has not yet announced when he will return to track training.

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Popovich says US 'got a ways to go' after opening win

NBA’s Jokic shines as Serbia crank up World Cup assault

Serbia began their title tilt with a 105-59 thrashing of Angola on Saturday.
**Focus**

Prop Kepu to end Wallabies career after World Cup

Japan will be 33-year-old’s third World Cup before he heads to England to play with the Rugby World Cup squad.

**Comment**

'Slap in the face' before facing WCup 'contenders' for Italy: Budd

Economist Butch Kepu said during squad selection that the team is not world-class.

**Photo**

Toner Moore's look of surprise from Ireland World Cup squad

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ANOC to inaugurate World Beach Games in Doha

When the inaugural edition of the World Beach Games took place in 2019 in Doha, Qatar, it marked the first time such a major multi-sport event has been held in the Middle East. The Games aimed to unify athletes from around the world, showcasing the best of beach, water, and adventure sports in a unique setting.

The Beach Games are part of the ANOC World Beach Games, a global platform that brings together athletes and spectators from across the globe. The event includes a wide range of competitions that feature different beach, water, and adventure sports.

The ANOC World Beach Games are known for their innovative and inclusive approach, aiming to promote sports and physical activity for all. They have been praised for their ability to engage a diverse audience and offer a unique experience that combines sport, culture, and entertainment.

The success of the inaugural edition in Doha has paved the way for the next edition, which is scheduled to take place in 2023. This will be another opportunity for athletes to showcase their skills and compete at the highest level, while also promoting the values of sportsmanship, fair play, and universal accessibility.

The ANOC World Beach Games are not just about showcasing sports, but also about fostering relationships and strengthening the bonds between nations. They provide a platform for athletes to connect, learn from each other, and share their passion for sports and physical activity.

In conclusion, the ANOC World Beach Games are a testament to the power of sports to bring people together. They offer a unique and inspiring experience that celebrates the spirit of unity and diversity, while also promoting the importance of physical activity and sports in our lives.

F1

Leclerc destined for greatness, says Hamilton

He did a great job. Even if we had different strategies, it would have been hard to have beaten him. He deserved to win.

Leclerc's victory was celebrated by his fellow F1 drivers, who praised his performance throughout the Belgian Grand Prix. "I was thinking that Valtteri Bottas was going to be even faster on the first lap, but he didn't come out on the correct strategy and then there was no chance for anyone," said Red Bull's Max Verstappen. "He deserves to win."
J AM A I C A T E S

India sweep series with victory over West Indies

According to the surface, Vihari's innings was top class. He looks confident and dressing-room feeling calm when he bats. He's always willing to improve and correcting his mistakes.

India fast bowler Mohammed Shami was yesterday ordered to appear before an Indian court over 108 phone calls allegedly involving sexual harassment. Shami, who represents India in the West Indies Test series in Jamaica, was stopped by a hotel security in Jamaica yesterday after the ‘hot tamale’ hormones brave were replaced by a concussion substitute after vomiting.

Vihari's patient half-century yesterday afternoon. After scoring 378 runs in three innings, Smith has scored a combined average of 175.9. Smith was back on the field on Monday and things didn't go quite as planned for him.

He's shown that through our bowling attack. We've been a part of the batting. We've shown some pace and swing, we've seen it all. We've had some tricky situations but it hasn't made us feel too much. We're going to try and keep that going against the West Indies.

Focus continues

Coach Langer keeps Australia waiting after 4th Test team

Australians coach Justin Langer is keeping his players waiting after their fourth Test against England at Old Trafford in Manchester yesterday. Langer's side has been on the back foot ever since the series started and he said there was a good chance the players would be doubles in the third Test.

As Smith was set to return from a finger injury, England's third Test against Australia in Manchester was under threat of being reduced to a day/night affair.

In the dressing-room, Vihari said: "It's been a great experience for him so far, but he showed confidence and being open to what he can improve.

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