Federer stages great escape to set up Diokovic semi-final

"I thought I just let him finish me off in style, and he didn’t do that. I’m incredibly lucky today, I don’t even know what time it is." - Rafael Nadal, after his semi-final victory.

Switzerland’s Roger Federer will attempt to win his sixth Australian Open title on Sunday, when he takes on Croatia’s Marin Cilic in the men’s singles final. Federer, who is seeking his 20th Grand Slam title, has won four of the last five Australian Opens, and is looking to become the first male tennis player to win the tournament four times in a row.

Federer, who is currently ranked world no. 2, defeated Cilic in the semi-finals by a score of 6-4, 7-5, 6-3. The match lasted just over two hours and was played on Rod Laver Arena.

Cilic, on the other hand, was unable to match Federer’s precision and consistency, and was unable to continue his run of seven consecutive Grand Slam semi-finals.

Federer’s victory means that he will be facing a fourth-round upset in the quarter-finals by Roberto Bautista Agut of Spain.

With the victory, Federer has now won seven of his eight meetings with Cilic. The two had previously met in the semi-finals of the 2016 Australian Open, where Cilic had beaten Federer in straight sets.

Federer has won three of his four meetings with Agut, and has not lost a match against the Spaniard since 2005.

Federer’s victory also means that he will be playing in his 14th Grand Slam final, and his 26th semi-final of a Grand Slam tournament. His last Australian Open title came in 2017, and his last semi-final appearance dates back to 2018.
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Former U.S. tennis player John McEnroe and Martina Navratilova, shown here at last year's BNP Paribas Open at Indian Wells, Calif., had met on Friday to address The New York Times' report that they and Navratilova's partner, Ilana Kloss, had attended an indoor gathering without following COVID-19 protocols. The Times reported that they were caught on camera not wearing masks or maintaining social distancing at a dinner party in March. The pair did not return messages. McEnroe had defended them on Twitter, saying The Times overreached.体育评论家 John McEnroe和Martina Navratilova，前者是前美国网球运动员，后者是前捷克网球运动员，曾在上周五开会，就《纽约时报》报道的他们在春季室内晚宴上违反COVID-19防疫规定事件作出回应。《纽约时报》报道，他们在3月份的一次晚宴上，未戴口罩，没有保持社交距离，而且被拍到没穿防护措施。McEnroe在推特上为他俩辩护，称“时报”越界了。
Zimbabwe, Lanka share honours as rain halts day’s play

The visitors are still 284 runs behind the hosts who bowled out for 406.

India has world class players, getting better overseas: Southee

Virtue New Zealand beat South Africa by three wickets to win the ODI series 2-1 on Sunday.

India in semi-finals after hard-fought win over Australia

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India comes up with amazing practice session

The West Indies beat Sri Lanka to secure a place in the semi-finals of the World Cup on Tuesday.

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India’s cricketers celebrate their victory after winning the semi-final against Australia in the ICC World Cup.
Chat's injury leaves French front row under cosh

RUGBY

French head coach Fabien Galthie (in red jersey) takes part in a training session in the French train of the French railway, the upcoming Six Nations tournament (2020).

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Rugby

France’s front row being expected to leave the team for the Six Nations tournament. While the team has already made changes to its front row, Chat’s injury is expected to have a significant impact on the French front row. The team has been struggling with injuries and is looking to make changes to improve its performance.

COMMMENT

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**NBA**

Gordon’s 50-point outburst carries Rockets past Jazz

Gordon shot 14 of 22 from the floor, drilled 6 of 11 three-point attempts and hit 16 of 20 free throws.

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Houston Rockets guard Eric Gordon (right) gets past Utah Jazz guard Joe Ingles during the second quarter at Vivint Smart Home Arena. PICTURE: LAURA TAYLOR TODAY/photonews247.com

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**MLB**

Kershaw wants Astros to express remorse for stealing signs

By Jorge Castillo (Los Angeles Times)

The 2017 World Series was haunted by a core of Huston Astros that played a role in stealing signs from the visiting Chicago Cubs during the two teams’ seven-game bout. So much so that the Cubs were able to outscore the World Series champions 4-1 overall.

Despite the Cubs’ championship-season success, the Astros began the 2018 season with a 4-2 win over the Kansas City Royals. But the Astros were outscored 5-1 overall as they lost 4-2.

That’s why there’s one thing Kershaw has been waiting to see in the series: how the Astros handle their own discipline issues.

**In the 2017 World Series, Houston Astros manager A.J. Hinch was suspended 20 games and assistant coach Don Kelly was suspended 10 games for failing to prevent the electronic espionage that occurred. The team was later fined $25 million and lost its first-round pick in the 2018 draft as part of the punishment.**

**The Houston Astros shoplifted the series one and zeroed out the Chicago Cubs two runs in a row, 7-6 in the first game. The Astros scored two runs in the second game and had their way with the Cubs 3-2. The Comey overlooked the fact that the Cubs were unable to score one run in the 9-1 rout.**

**The Astros’ first baseman, Jose Altuve, had his hand in 11 of the 13 runs scored by the team in the series. The Astros’ offense was led by Altuve, who had hit .323 with 10 home runs and 31 RBIs. The team managed to score 11 runs in two games against the Cubs.**

**The Cardinals’Display of brilliance in the final game of the series was capped by a walk-off home run by Matt Carpenter in the ninth inning, giving the Cardinals a 4-1 win. The St. Louis Cardinals have been the team to beat in the NL Central, winning four straight NL Central titles. In the World Series, the Cardinals had the upper hand with a 4-2 win in the first game.**

**After the series went to seven games, the Chicago Cubs finally broke through with a 4-1 win in the seventh game. The Cubs’ Anthony Rizzo hit a two-run home run off of Houston Astros starter Justin Verlander in the first inning. The Cubs’ offense was led by Rizzo, who had hit .271 with 10 home runs and 37 RBIs. The team managed to score 11 runs in two games against the Astros.**

**The Cubs were determined to get the better of the World Series champions, and they were able to do so in the seventh and final game of the series. The Cubs managed to score four runs in the first inning, with Rizzo hitting a two-run home run off of Houston Astros starter Justin Verlander in the first inning. The Cubs’ offense was led by Rizzo, who had hit .271 with 10 home runs and 37 RBIs. The team managed to score 11 runs in two games against the Astros.**

**For the Astros, the Series was a victory, but it was also a reminder of the cheating that had gone on in the 2017 World Series. The Astros managerial staff was homebound and they knew they needed to make some adjustments to their game plan. They knew they needed to be more careful with their electronic espionage. They knew they needed to be more careful with their electronic espionage.**
**NBA Players, fans pay tribute to their idol Kobe**

There’s only one person like that ever. He made an impact on people off the court and in basketball as well.

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**LeBron vows to continue Bryant legacy**

A letter sent by LeBron James has promised to continue the legacy of fellow basketball great Kobe Bryant. James, commenting on a viral video that showed the death of Bryant in a helicopter crash, said he was “heartbroken” by the tragic loss.

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**SPOTLIGHT**

Sialiyya, Rayyan miss out on AFC Champions League

Dührer Al-Salafi offered a heartfelt congratulations to the Al Hilal Omdurman who defeated Al-Sadd at the west coast of the Arabian Sea, winning a 3-1 victory in the first round of the AFC Champions League. The match was played in front of a 33,000 capacity crowd at the Khalifa International Stadium in Doha, Qatar. The goal scorer for Al Hilal was Ali Bader Al-Salafi, while the goalkeeper for Al-Sadd was Haitham Al-Zubairi.

**FOCUS**

Leipzig stars slammed for flying in celebrity barber before defeat

A group of 13 Leipzig stars have been slammed for flying a private jet to a celebrity barber shop in the Swiss city of Geneva before their Champions League match against Dinamo Zagreb. The players were later suspended for three games by the German Football Association (DFB). The Leipzig players were accused of breaching the rule that all players must arrive at the stadium at least 3 hours before the game. Leipzig was ultimately denied a place in the quarter-finals of the Champions League after losing its appeal to the UEFA Disciplinary Committee.

**FOOTBALL**

Premier League clubs hold ice in January arms race

It is difficult this window – it’s always been. I can’t remember how many good deals we’ve brought in already. In 2021, we have already signed 20 players. This has caused a lot of excitement among football fans worldwide. The Premier League is known for its high-flying transfers, and this season has been no different. Clubs are spending millions of pounds on new players, and the competition is fierce. The winter transfer window is always an exciting time for football fans, and we can expect some great battles over the next few months. Will you be watching?
Federer stages great escape to set up Djokovic semi-final

Switzerland’s Roger Federer shows his class as he overcomes 4-1 down in the fourth set and moves into the semi-finals of the Australian Open four-set final with Novak Djokovic yesterday. The 17-time Grand Slam champion, struggling for form this season, stormed back to win 4-6, 6-3, 6-7(4), 6-3, 6-4.

Federer, 39, grew into his un-derworld semi-final with Djokovic, who dominated their last meeting to win 6-4, 6-7(5), 6-3 and 6-2 from an eighth Grand Slam title title. Djokovic, despite leading with a 4-1 lead in the third set, could not hold his nerve and was outplayed by Federer.

He paid tribute to the great escapes of Federer, ahead of a semi-final that expected epic with two of the greats

4-1 winter over the past four years, beating the trophy-hungelling match in Mannheim to record a third Grand Slam victory for 2022.

Djokovic, 35, was the first man to reach a Grand Slam final at 30 years old, but Federer had been on top of his game for many years. He said: “I had to find a way to get back into this match.”

Federer took the match off his feet, and he didn’t do that. I’m incredibly happy today. I’m sure I didn’t know what to expect.”

Djokovic added: “I’m obviously very happy to be in the semi-finals of the Australian Open. I can still feel that I’m enjoying the weekend, even if I had a tough loss last night against the Lithuanian.”

He played his heart out to get into the semi-finals. He said: “I think it’s all about the level of play and the level of concentration.”

Federer, who has never played Djokovic in a career, said: “I think it’s all about my level of play and my level of concentration.”

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