Qatar stars Bassam al-Rawi and Almoez Ali look forward to showcasing their skills during the 2022 FIFA World Cup

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Asian Beach Volleyball Championship

By Sports Reporter

Qatar's Cherif Younousse and Ahmed Mahmoud reached the last-16 stage of the Asian Beach Volleyball Championship defeating Kazakhstan's Bobur Kurbanov and Sanz mindset in the opening round. The teams met in the opening round of the 2022 Asian Beach Volleyball Championship, which is scheduled to take place in Phuket, Thailand, on Tuesday. Younousse and Ahmed had won their Pool H matches 21-15, 21-9 in Phuket, Thailand, while Kazakhstan's Kurbanov and Sanz had beaten Thailand's Taovato and Pithak 21-15, 21-9 in Phuket, Thailand, to secure their place in the last-16.

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Younousse and Ahmed enter last-16

"We are happy to reach the last-16 stage of the Asian Beach Volleyball Championship. We have been working hard to improve our skills and we believe that we can do well in the tournament," said Younousse. "We are looking forward to playing against the top teams in the world and we hope to make it to the semi-finals and finals of the tournament."

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Galle, Sri Lanka

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Sri Lanka's Ramesh Mendis (centre) celebrates with teammates after dismissing West Indies' Jason Holder (not pictured) during the fourth day of the first Test at the Galle International Cricket Stadium in Galle yesterday. (Reuters)

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The fourth day's play was delayed by one hour due to rain. A total of 125 overs were lost on Day 3 due to rain. (AP Photo)

**FOCUS**

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**FIRST TEST**

Can't take India lightly in home conditions: Williamson

New Zealand will not start the tour with any sense of complacency ahead of the first Test against West Indies in November, skipper Tim Southee said on Tuesday. His team are coming off a narrow victory in the second Test against India in which they claimed their first Test series win in the Caribbean.

Southee said his team were fully aware of the challenges that lie ahead. "We have learned that you can't take India lightly no matter what the conditions are," he said. "It's a test match and we are fully aware of the challenges that lie ahead."

The first Test in Kanpur: “One of the key strengths of India is their depth in batting and they have great knowledge of their own conditions. It will be a real challenge for us to find the right strategies to counter their batsmen.”

Williamson added that the Test sides will be facing some difficult conditions in Kanpur. "It's a different surface, a different wicket, and we have to find the right strategies to counter their batsmen," he said.

**RACISM**

Vaughan dropped from BBC Ashes commentary team

Michael Vaughan has been left out of the BBC commentary team for the upcoming Ashes series in Australia, with Andrew Strauss confirmed as the new captain of the team. Vaughan was previously part of the BBC's commentary team for the 2010-11 Ashes tour, and had been widely tipped to retain his place for the 2023 tour.

The BBC has not commented on the reason for Vaughan's omission, but it is thought to be related to his involvement in a row with former England captain Nasser Hussain over comments made during a county cricket match.

**NEW ZEALAND**

He's the world's No.1 all-rounder and a Test match gem: Williamson

New Zealand's captain Tim Southee has praised his team's all-rounder, Jimmy Neesham, ahead of the upcoming series against India. "Jimmy is the world's No.1 all-rounder and a Test match gem," Southee said.

Southee said Neesham's all-round capabilities will be crucial for New Zealand in the series, which begins on November 7 at Dunedin. "He has been a rock for us in frontline bowling and batting, and his experience will be invaluable," he added.

The team for the first Test is: "I am sure throughout the whole series, we will have a role to play in both facets of the game."

**AFGHANISTAN**

Inda's fast bowler Alam has retired from Test cricket

Mujeeb Ur Rahman, a key wicket-keeper batsman for Afghanistan, has announced his retirement from Test cricket. "I have decided to retire from Test cricket to focus on my personal life," he said in a statement.

Rahman, who has played a crucial role in Afghanistan's success in recent years, said he was not happy with the way his career had turned out in the international stage.

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Afghanistan's batsman Shafique (9) and wicketkeeper Mohammad Shahzad (6) missed their first Test against England in Leeds on Tuesday. The pair were among five Afghanistan players who pulled out of the Test after failing to meet the team's fitness standards.

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"We require our contributors to be in full fitness and form to contribute to Test cricket," said cricket chief selector Mohammad Nabi.

**BANGLADESH**

Shakib as Bangladesh face tough Test against Pakistan

Bangladesh's star all-rounder Shakib Al Hasan has announced his retirement from Test cricket in a bid to save his career from further deterioration. The 35-year-old has been struggling with a variety of injuries in recent years and has not played a Test in the last two years.

"I am at a crossroads in my career and I have decided to retire from Test cricket," Shakib said in a statement.

Shakib has played 50 Tests for Bangladesh, scoring 2,914 runs at an average of 33.49 and taking 43 wickets in 31 Tests. He was the first Bangladesh player to be awarded the Man of the Match in a Test match, having scored 150 runs and taken 4 wickets in the match against Sri Lanka in 2008.
The Board of Trustees of QF A Award Meshari al-Shammari (Best Video Assistant Referee), Majed al-Shammari the 2020-2021 season to the best referees. Doha, Qatar, 15 November 2021

Naples, Italy

AFP

The city of Maradona runs strong in Naples, ayear after his death

It’s interesting how normal people, not just supporters, bonded with him.

Astrid Boiteux / AFP

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**QSL CEO presents QFA best referees awards**

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Stadium 974 is one-of-a-kind, says Engineer-al-Mulla

Stadium 974 will host the FIFA Arab Cup match between UAE and Syria on Nov 30

The remarkable Stadium 974 opened earlier this month. It is Qatar’s first purpose-built venue for the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 and boasts state-of-the-art features, including its innovative design, which features refrigerated storage containers. The stadium, designed by Fenwick Iribarren Architects, stands, toilets and medical rooms are air-conditioned even when the container structure walls are kept to a minimum. It also shrunk the project’s duration by 20% compared to similar developments. - Ahead of Stadium 974’s opening match - between the United Arab Emirates and Syria in the Cup Group C stage - November 30 – Qatar 2022, a guide to Engineer Mohamed al-Mulla, Project Director of Stadium 974, to discuss the Former from construction to launch.

What makes Stadium 974 so special? - I think everything about the stadium demonstrates Qatar’s ability to deliver outstanding projects in terms of innovation and sustainability. It is one of a kind – stand-alone and an innovative approach to stadiums worldwide. We are thinking outside the box. In some ways, we will be doing the same as standing on the moon – especially the fact that construction is based on the sea. - Qatar 2022’s ability to deliver a remarkable stadium and an innovative blueprint demonstrates Qatar’s ability to deliver with a unique approach to stadiums. - Qatar 2022 is one of the first fullydevised shipping containers. The stadium is also famous for being the first fully-cooled stadium in the world. The stadium in not only the world's first but also the only one built using shipping containers according to Doha Port, which was the first commercial hub for shipping containers. The stadium was also named after the Doha Corniche and only 800 meters from the nearest metro station. The location also benefit from natural cooling due to the design and foundation. This is actually the only stadium without cooling technology.

And, of course, the stadium sits opposite West Bay which offers some of the best views in the country.

As someone involved in the project from the very start, what does it mean to you to see Stadium 974 completed?

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How important was the stadium's location to the construction process?

The stadium narrates the history of the area. The location was previously used by Qatar 2022 to test its height and wind effects. The stadium's name? 974 is the number of shipping containers in the stadium's foundation. The stadium's name?

What kind of challenges did you face during the project?

The biggest challenge we faced was working with the Doha Port - especially the fact that we had to build the stadium at sea. This actually was the last venue to begin construction – and this is because we conducted multiple studies. Our original idea was actually inspired by Legos set and we eventually decided to use shipping containers and recycled to build the stadium. These elements can be recycled after the stadium is closed.

Dzeko downs Shakhtar to fire Inter to brink of Champions League knockouts

Erik Dzeko put Inter Milan to within striking distance of the Champions League last 16 with a 2-0 win over Shakhtar Donetsk which gives his side the chance of pulling the booksoff for the first time in decades.

Inter president Steven Zhang is ready to make a bold swoop to sign French striker Julian Draxler, who has been linked with a shock move to the San Siro. - Inter Milan to make a bold swoop for Julian Draxler

The Bosnian frontman looked into the head with a precision first-time strike from the edge of the area and then added another - and a much better - to the hosts' lead. The knock advanced Inter in the 35th minute when the substitute doubled the lead on a day when the hosts would be happy to walk away with the three points. However, the visitors would have to settle for a 2-0 win as they missed a late chance to add a third.

Chelsea target Angloma

On Tuesday night, Holders Chelsea also made the knock out plans by thump- ing Jesmmer in the Allied Cup. The Blues took the lead through Jordan King in the 21st minute and then added another through Cesar Azpilicueta’s second goal of the season. Chelsea look to be the best team of the century. Chelsea have a shot at the Champions League. Chelsea head to the 2022 finals and will face a tough test. Chelsea’s third goal of the season was scored by Christian Pulisic. Pulisic came off the bench to score Chelsea’s third goal of the season. Chelsea now lead 2-0 in the Champions League.

Al Ghassanah Cup

Qatar triathlete excelled in elite class: Mohamed

Fahad Al-Mohammed said Qatar triathletes are looking forward to competing at the QNOC Padel Tournament in Dubai. The Qatari triathletes have been in training since August for the upcoming season. He will be joined by Reem Al-Masrani, Haitham Albajali and Saad Al-Qatari for the final stages. We are looking forward to the final stages in Dubai. We have been attending triathlon for the last few years and want to take it to another level.

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