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Head coach of Brazilian club Palmeiras Abel Ferreira praised German team’s achievements during the FIFA Club World Cup 2020 to encourage the spirit of all participants. This came during the virtual press conference held remotely ahead of today’s final against Germany’s Bayern Munich at the Education City Stadium in Doha.

Ferreira congratulated the State of Qatar on its achievements during the tournament, stressing that Doha has transferred all facilities and conditions for the match to perform in the highest level in the world. He wished the German team the best of luck in the final. The coach indicated that in order to participate in the tournament, all officials and players must undergo a new Covid-19 test upon arrival at the airport, and before each match. All tournament facilities are subject to continuous sterilisation, and the stadium is at a specific capacity.

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Players and fans will want Qatar's World Cup plans: Xavi

"My wife's words paint pictures in my mind of the beautiful game"
**FOOTBALL**

**United reach FA Cup quarter-finals, Bury crash out**

Solskjaer’s side were well below their best in a scrappy 5th round tie at freezing Old Trafford in Manchester. United’s English midfielder Declan Rice (L) during their FA Cup fifth round match at Old Trafford in Manchester.

**QF A Panama announces dates of Amir Cup QFs**

**FOCUS**

Juventus hold Italy to book spot in Coppa Italia final

On March 22 in Turin, Juventus beat Paris Saint-Germain 2-0 to book their place in the semi-finals of the 2020-2021 season’s domestic competition. With this victory, the “Old Lady” are now one step away from winning the Coppa Italia.

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A total of 32 singles players and 16 doubles teams will compete for qualification, returning to Doha, is the 2020 US Open champion, a finalist in the 2018 US Open, and an eight-time ATP Masters 1000 champion, will add his name to the exclusive list of men’s players who have won a Grand Slam singles title, and a top-10 ranking in 2018.

**BOTTOM LINE**

Instagram vows action against racist abuse of players

Instagram announced new measures to protect players from racist abuse. The platform will be giving a new feature called "Report variance," allowing users to report racist comments and abusive messages. The platform will also be introducing new tools to help players report abuse, such as the "Report abuse" button on comments and messages.

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United's Anthony Martial towards the advertising boards during their FA Cup fifth round match at Old Trafford in Manchester.

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**NBA**

Dwyane Wade provided 26 points as the Jazz won their 16th straight game, a new franchise record.

**Mitchell masterclass as Jazz march on, Curry returns to Warriors**

Utah Jazz guard Donovan Mitchell led the Jazz to a 122-108 victory over the Boston Celtics on Tuesday for their 16th consecutive win, tying the team record set in 1991.

**GROOVING**

"That's part of Steph's brilliance – he's the best I've ever seen him," said Salt Lake City head coach Quin Snyder. "When you have a player like that, you have to find ways to get it to him, and that's what he's doing.

**NETS SLUMP**

Desmond Bane led the Grizzlies to a 120-106 victory over the Memphis Grizzlies, hitting 20-20.

**BEST EVERY CURRY**

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Blotto, Timo Curley delivered a dazzling performance in the Golden Knights defeat, scoring 4-0-0.

"This was a tough loss for our team, but we need to be the team we want to be," said Blotto. "We need to play well and win games.

**NETS SLUMP**

"We need to find a way to win games,

Those points are critical for us,

so we have to make a complaint, with an

NBA+

**Fiction**

Wilson frustrated with getting too much

"We've got a lot of games left this season.

I'm not sure if I am available,

or if my teammates are," said Wilson.

**NFL**

Wilson has been sacked 146 times in his career in the regular season, including 41 times last season, third most in the league.

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**MLB TIE BREAK IN TONIGHT’S ALLEGATIONS**

The Arizona Diamondbacks and the Texas Rangers were the only two teams to make a complaint, with an

"It's important to me. " Wilson has three

years remaining on the $200 million extension he signed in April 2019, making him the highest-

paid player in history.

**HIT HUGGERS**

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BASKETBALL

Al Gharfa chase domestic treble in Amir Cup

By Sports Reporter

Defending champions Al Gharfa will play their first match in the domestic treble on February 7, 2021.

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Pakistan seek return to T20 glory days against South Africa

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South Africa captain HanumaanJavaid Khan poses with the T20 trophy at the Gaddafi Cricket Stadium in Lahore ahead of the T20 match. (AFP)

SQUADS

Pakistan (Dhaka) - Masood Ali Khan, Usman Khan, Farhan Ahmed, Haider Ali, Yasir Shah, Junaid Khan, Asad Shafiq, Asif Ali, Shoaib Malik, Umar Akmal,

South Africa (Dhaka) - Faf du Plessis, Rassie van der Dussen, Kagiso Rabada, Anrich Nortje, Quinton de Kock, Quinton de Kock, Babar Azam, Mohammad Hafeez, Mohammad Rizwan, and the remaining matches of the series are now on cards.

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**TENNIS**

**ROUND-UP**

**Djokovic passes Tiafoe test, Serena submits**

Naomi Osaka also charged through but Stan Wawrinka, Bianca Andreescu and Petra Kvitova crash out

**VENUS MAKES PAINFUL EXIT AFTER ROLLING ANKLE**

Venus Williams failed to make a strong start to her US Open campaign after she sustained a rolling ankle in her second round match against Russia’s Yana Zavorytska.

**FOCUS**

Krygios raises roof with epic comeback

**Monfils gets real after emotional Australian Open exit**

After his five-set loss at the Australian Open, France’s Gael Monfils revealed he had been having doubts about his future in the sport after losing his opening-round match to Germany’s Alexander Zverev.

**N**

*Naomi Osaka* said she is not bothered by all the attention as she heads into the main draw of the US Open.

Osaka, who is defending her 2018 US Open title, said she was not concerned by the attention she had received since winning her first Grand Slam last year.

Osaka, who is world number 13, has been in the spotlight since winning the 2018 US Open and has been on the front pages of newspapers and social media.

She said she had been getting a lot of support on social media, with *Entertainment Weekly* describing her as "the new face of tennis".

Osaka, who won her first Grand Slam at the 2018 US Open, said she was not worried about the attention she had received since winning the tournament.

"I’m not bothered by the fact that I’m in the spotlight," Osaka said. "I’m just trying to play my best and have fun on the court."