**FOOTBALL**

**Spotlight**

Chelsea belong among Europe's elite, says Tuchel

Chelsea have never won the European Cup, but the team's manager Thomas Tuchel is already fancying his side among the continent's elite. Speaking ahead of the Champions League final against Paris St-Germain, Tuchel said: "We have to be humble and know our limits, but we have to believe in ourselves and our abilities." He added: "We have to be confident and believe in our players. We have to show the world that we are one of the best teams in Europe." Tuchel's side were eliminated at the semi-final stage last season, but they have won all six games since then to reach the final.

**FOOTBALL**

Chelsea to allow fans into board meetings

Chelsea fans will be allowed to attend board meetings after the club announced plans to allow up to 200 fans to attend its next meeting. The club, which is owned by American tycoon Joel Glazer, has been in the news over its controversial ownership. The move comes after a campaign by fans demanding greater transparency and a say in the running of the club.

**FOOTBALL**

Mourinho looks for redemption at Roma

Jose Mourinho is hoping to win his first silverware at Roma when they face Lazio in the Serie A title race. Mourinho has previously been a successful manager at Inter Milan and Manchester United, but his time in Rome has been marred by controversy and poor results.

**FOOTBALL**

Halep knocked out of Madrid Open, Sinner, Rublev through

Simona Halep was knocked out of the Madrid Open by Russian Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova in her opening match. The world No 2 had been struggling with a hip problem and was unable to play her best. In contrast, Russian Andrey Rublev and Italian Matteo Berrettini both made it through to the quarter-finals.

**FOOTBALL**

Curry leads Warriors as Pelicans hope fade

Stephen Curry scored 37 points as the Golden State Warriors defeated the New Orleans Pelicans on Wednesday. The Warriors are currently second in the Western Conference, while the Pelicans are struggling to find consistency. Curry has been in fine form this season, averaging 28.7 points per game.

**FOOTBALL**

Manchester City reach Champions League final for first time, says Guardiola

Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola is delighted to reach the Champions League final for the first time. Guardiola's team defeated PSG in the semi-final to book their place in the final, where they will face Chelsea. "It's been an amazing journey," Guardiola said. "We've worked hard for this moment and it's fantastic to be in the final. We will show our faces on the biggest stage in football."
CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Time running out for wasteful Werner to prove his worth

Now he’s struggling a little bit, the first time in his career.

BUNDESLIGA

Veteran Martinez to leave in Bayern Munich clear-out

Benjamin Buchenau continues to thrive as the third midfielder just behind Lewandowski and is one of the club’s top three players.

Munich (Reuters) - Juventus continued their quest to land Lewandowski with a record-breaking €80 million offer for the striker, according to media reports.

The Serie A giants are reportedly willing to pay the巨额 transfer fee to bring the German forward to Turin, with both the club and the player reportedly keen to complete the move.

Lewandowski has been in red-hot form in the Champions League this season, scoring seven goals in four matches, and is seen as a key addition to Juventus' attacking line-up.

Should the deal go through, it would be a significant statement from Juventus, who have already strengthened their squad with the signings of Paulo Dybala and Weston McKennie in the summer.

The negotiations with Lewandowski’s representatives are understand-ably ongoing, but all parties are reportedly close to finalizing the details of the transfer.

In the meantime, Bayern Munich announced that veteran midfielder Martinez will leave the club in a clear-out, marking the end of his long tenure at the German giants.

Martinez has won numerous championships with Bayern, but his playing time has been limited in recent seasons, leading to speculation about his future.

The midfielder, who has been with Bayern since 2008, made 267 appearances for the club, scoring 45 goals and assisting 33 more.

"It’s not been easy for me," Martinez said. "I was used to being a starter, and now it’s a bit different. But I’m still here, and I want to continue playing at a high level."
Antonio boosts West Ham's top four hopes

West Ham are set for a return to the Championship after a 1-1 draw at home to Wolves.

Football talk: call for legislation to tackle online abuse after sexual abuse

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Tactical Analysis: Antonio boosts West Ham’s top four hopes

Premier League

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West Ham maintained their impressive challenge for a top four Premier League finish as they secured their Premier League place with a 1-1 draw at home to Wolves.

West Ham, by contrast, have a g"n"ral advantage over their neighbours, West Brom and Brighton, in terms of their recent form, with their last four league games yielding three victories and a defeat. The Hammers are hoping to maintain their recent form and secure a top four finish before the end of the season.

West Ham are currently fourth in the table, two points behind Ajax, who are third.

West Ham boss David Moyes was delighted with his side’s performance and praised the contribution of his players.

Moyes said: “It was an important game for us today. We needed to pick up points and we did that. I was pleased with the way we played and the way we defended. We were compact and we were solid at the back. We were worth a draw today.”

Wolves boss Nuno Espirito Santo was also pleased with his side’s performance and praised the contribution of his players.

Santo said: “I am pleased with the way we played today. We had a difficult game against a side that is fighting for a top four finish. We were compact and we were solid at the back. We were worth a draw today.”

Spotlight: Henry warns of long road ahead for Arsenal takeover bid

Former Arsenal captain Henry has warned that the club’s takeover bid is facing a long and difficult road ahead.

Henry said: “The Arsenal takeover is facing a long and difficult road ahead. It is not going to be easy for the club to secure a new owner. It is going to take a lot of time and effort.”

Focus: Atkinson died after being asseraged and kicked, court told

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The court heard that Atkinson had been with a group of friends when they were attacked.

Atkinson was hit multiple times and appeared to be suffering from severe injuries.

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Mourinho looks for redemption at Roma after Tottenham failure

The incredible passion of the Roma fans convinced me to accept the job and I cannot wait to start next season

SPORT

J eva Mourinho took just two days to decide to return to Roma from Tottenham Hotspur. It was the third time since the early days of 2019 that Mourinho has been linked with the Italian capital and the third time since the early days of 2019 that Mourinho has been linked with the Italian capital and the third time since the early days of 2019 that Mourinho has been linked with the Italian capital.

Mourinho will replace former Inter Milan coach Antonio Conte, who left the club at the end of the current season. Conte is in his second spell in charge with the Serie A giants, having led them to their first Serie A title in 10 years last season.

Mourinho's arrival at Roma will be eagerly awaited by supporters, who have been looking forward to seeing the former Chelsea and Manchester United manager return to the club where he enjoyed great success during his first spell in charge from 2007 to 2011, winning the Champions League and the UEFA Europa League titles under his stewardship.

Spotlight

La Liga

Sevilla faced down title race loss with Athletic

Athletic Bilbao 3-1 Sevilla

Sevilla suffered a shock 3-1 defeat to Athletic Bilbao in the Copa del Rey semi-final first leg on Thursday night. The LaLiga leaders were looking to maintain their unbeaten record against the Basque side, but they were left reeling after a shock result.

Sevilla had scored in their last 10 LaLiga games, but they were left feeling deflated after a first-half goal from Athletic's Mikel Oyarzabal proved to be the difference.

The result leaves Sevilla down to four points clear of second-placed Atlético Madrid, and they will now face a tough task to reach the Copa del Rey final after losing the first leg 3-1.

ROUND-UP

La Liga launches probe after Messi's Barca party

Argentina forward Lionel Messi has been subjected to a formal investigation by La Liga officials after a party at his home in Barcelona.

The Argentinian forward has been accused of hosting a party in his house despite the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, which has resulted in strict measures being put in place to prevent the spread of the virus.

The LaLiga investigate will look into whether Messi's party contravened health guidelines and whether it was conducted in a responsible manner.

Africa World Cup stadium bun

Plunge and qualifiers into crisis

The African Football Confederation (CAF) has announced a suspension of all international football matches in the continent.

The decision follows a meeting of CAF officials, which was held on Monday to discuss the latest developments in the continent's football landscape.

The CAF said in a statement that the suspension is due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic and the impact it has had on the continent's football calendar.

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**NBA**

**Curry leads Warriors as Pelicans hopes fade**

It’s been a fun year and a fun ride but we’ve got a lot left to do. I’m glad I’m playing my part.

**McDavid tallies 4 points as Oilers seal playoff berth**

**Mo Bamba’s big night leads Magic past Pistons**

McBamba reached career highs with 25 points and 15 rebounds off the bench and added 11 with six assists and five blocks in 27 minutes. He finished with 21 points and 14 rebounds in 30 minutes.

Crawford added 11 points while K. Hampton contributed 10 points and eight rebounds. The Pelicans’ Nickeil Alexander-Walker had 10 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists.

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Glasnow, bullpen carry Tampa Bay Rays past Angels

'We're the same team as last year. We're all really good hitters'
Halep knocked out by Mertens, Sinner and Rublev through

I never played against him before, so you never know what to expect.

MOTORS

Monaco GP to allow 7,500 spectators

"We are all eager to witness it take place in the best possible condition, both for what it represents emotionally and for what it represents for the global calendar," said Jean Todt, president of the FIA. The Monaco GP, which was first run in 1929, is the oldest on the current calendar.

QUARTER-FINAL DUO

BRITISH-AMERICAN driver Dan Ticktum is the only Briton to have won a Grand Prix since 1967, when the Canadian GP was won by the then 16-year-old Timo Glock.

Pregnant Strycova hangs up racket at 35

Strycova announced her pregnancy and her decision to retire from tennis in an emotional statement.

LOS

Indy 500 legend Unser dead at 87

Doug Peterson, who had won five Indy 500s and three Brickyard 400s in his career, was killed in a crash during the 2022 all-star series race in May.

AP Photo/Nick Wass

"No one could ever say anything about him, because he had no bad side at all," said former teammate A.J. Foyt. "He was just a good human being."

AP Photo/Andrij case

"He was a great driver and a great guy. He was always there for everybody. He was a very humble person," said teammate Dan Wheldon, who died in a banking accident in 2011.

AP Photo/Mark Humphrey

"He was a legend," said Indianapolis Motor Speedway president Joel McLaughlin. "He was a legend."

AP Photo/David Zalubowski

"It's so sad to hear the news. He was such a great person. He will be missed by everyone," said former teammate Helio Castroneves, who won the Indy 500 four times.

AP Photo/Mark Humphrey
IPL suspended as coronavirus cases surge in India

The BCCI does not want to compromise on the safety of the players, support staff and the other participants involved in organising the IPL.

**Reaction to suspension of IPL due to COVID-19 crisis**

**RAJEEV SHARMA, BCCI PRESIDENT**

The IPL is a decision that takes a good decision by suspending IPL now, and then be decided later on how to restart the tournament, to keep the IPL in the position of the top most tournament in the world.

**IPL PREMIERSHIP CHALLENGERS BERRINGUPUR**

Hong Kong Cricket180 have not seen any cases of COVID-19 in their facilities or among their players and staff.

**AUSSTRALIA**

We support the decision to get the health and safety of all involved in the tournament and ensure the best possible conditions for the players and staff. We wish the IPL players and support staff from our teams all the best.

**LOUISVILLE CRICKET**

As a country, we are committed to providing the highest level of support to ensure the health and safety of all players and staff involved in the tournament.

**CRICKET AUSTRALIA**

We understand the decision of the BCCI to suspend the IPL and we assure all the players and support staff that we will continue to support them in every possible way.

**REPORTER**

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