Juventus' Paulo Dybala scores their first goal against Manchester United during their UEFA Champions League Group H match at Old Trafford in Manchester, Britain yesterday.

**ACL: Persepolis reach final after 1-1 draw against Al Sadd**

TEHRAN: Iran’s Persepolis advanced to the final of the AFC Champions League (ACL) for the first time with a 2-1 aggregate victory over Qatar’s Al Sadd following a 1-1 draw in their semi-final second leg in the Iranian capital yesterday.

Persepolis edged the first leg in Doha 2-1 earlier this month, but a Baghdad Bounedjah strike in the 77th minute yesterday gave Al Sadd the lead and raised hopes of an upset victory in front of a capacity crowd at the Azadi Stadium.

However, Siamak Nemati equalised for Persepolis in the 49th minute of a pass from Godwin Mensha and the Qatar giants were unable to find the net a second time which would have sent them through on away goals.

Al Sadd had threatened as early as the third minute, but Abdulkareem Hassan’s shot was pounced by Persepolis goalkeeper Alireza Beiranvand.

Persepolis tightened up after that and began to test the Al Sadd defence.

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LOS ANGELES - LeBron James hit the tying 3-pointer late in regulation. He led a Lakers lineup of three second-year pros and a rookie making his NBA debut to a 142-136 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers.

But the superstar missed two free throws with a second of the game left and Los Angeles was missing suspended guard Patrick Beverley in Tuesday’s 143-142 victory over the Portland Trail Blazers.

Kerr might be pleased with the progress: The Warriors won their fifth straight game and won their 15th of the season but didn’t play the entire roster.

Stephen Curry scored 31 points and made five 3-pointers as Golden State beat the Denver Nuggets 123-103 on Monday night.

The Warriors won for the 18th straight time against Phoenix this season and improved to 5-0 against the NBA’s top team.

Federer revealed in the run-up to the start at Flushing that he had been suffering from knee and hip injuries for the past three months and was in doubt about his World Tour Finals defence.

Federer said he had been struggling with his serve, which was down from where it was last year and also found it difficult to return serves, especially with his forehand.

Boxe was not exactly thrilled with the outcome.

On Monday, Butch Jones was fired as Tennessee’s football coach, weeks after the Volunteers’ seventh loss.

The coach’s firing came a day after Tennessee’s 49-0 loss to Ole Miss — the Volunteers’ worst home loss in 13 years — and Jones was fired amid speculation that he would be replaced by an interim coach this season.

The former NFL head coach took over a program that had missed the Southeastern Conference championship game in each of the last two seasons.

Jones was 24-21 in three years at Tennessee, and had failed to get the Volunteers to a bowl game in his first two seasons.

The Volunteers (3-6, 0-6 SEC) have lost six straight games for the first time since 2000, under former coach Phillip Fulmer.

Defending champ Wozniacki rules out Singapore WTA Finals,

SINGAPORE: A tenacious Caroline Wozniacki revived her WTA Finals title defence with a third straight win on Monday, leaving the former Wimbledon champion’s Singapore campaign in tatters.

Rebounding from a disappointing opening defeat against Karolina Pliskova, Wozniacki defeated Agnieszka Radwanska 6-2, 6-4 to stay afloat in the season-finale.

Radwanska had been widely tipped as one of the tournament’s main threats, having reached the final of the US Open and the quarter-finals of the Australian Open.

Wozniacki, the former world No. 1, has struggled for consistency in recent months but has shown glimpses of her best form.

A back injury suffered in the 2015 megafight which generated nearly $500 million in revenue could force Pacquiao to the 26-year-old Australian’s door.

Pacquiao is ofere to face Fury in a 50-50 purse split, with $250 million each.

Pacquiao has a welterweight title and Fury has a heavyweight title.

Curry, Durant lead Warriors past Suns during their NBA game at Oracle Arena in Oakland, California on Monday.
COLOMBO: Sri Lanka’s top- order batsmen put up a solid display and were aided by their bowlers to help their side thump England by 219 runs for the touring side’s worst one-day international loss by runs in the rain-shortened fifth and final match yesterday.

England had come into the match with an unassailable 3-0 series lead and opted to make three changes to their bowling attack with regular captain Eoin Morgan also resting himself and handing the reins to Jos Buttler.

The weakened bowling attack seemed to have aided Sri Lanka as they put up a massive 366-6 buoyed by quickfire half centuries from their top four batsmen, after winning the toss and batting first.

Fast bowler Dushmantha Chameera then took three wickets in his opening spell to derail England’s chase while Dilruwan Perera spun a web around their middle and lower order batsmen finishing with six wickets for 44 runs in his opening spell to 132-9 before rain curtailed to their total.

England were 219 runs behind Sri Lanka at that stage under the Duckworth Lewis scoring method which is used in rain-shortened fixtures England’s worst margin of defeat in the 50-over format prominently was 161 runs.

Duniyaya was the most successful bowler for the hosts with 4-41 while Chameera, who came into the side for Lasith Malinga, took 3-29.

England all-rounder Ben Stokes, who was struggling during the latter part of his knock after being hit on his knee by a delivery while hitting 60.

Earlier, Sri Lanka were bowled out for 366-6 after 59 overs with a flourish.

Batsmen Dimuth Karunaratne and Lahiru Thirimanne added 102 for the third wicket.

Mendis ended a run of low scores and got himself back on track after being out for six in the previous match while Zunaid Zavda was dropped against the English team.

Thirimanne scored a quickfire 100 not out while Kusal Mendis was clean up 92 not out as the side ended on 239-7.

England were all out for 147 in 46 overs. England’s star batsmen David Warner and Cameron Bancroft, received hundreds from Cricket Australia.

The Australian team homoured the late batsman Karunaratne who was a schoolmate and would likely face a backlash.

“Watching our敬ourway to play against all the stuff that comes with playing them, on and off the field, I think that feel that brings the best out of us as a team,” Du Plessis told reporters yesterday.

Du Plessis has twice before been found guilty of ball tampering himself, including on a tour of Australia in 2015 when he was accused of using sugary saliva after a snick of the ball to get the grass in front of it, but we hope they make it right for us,” Du Plessis said.

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“Du Plessis told the Australian Broadcasting Corporation yesterday that cricket in Australia, full rosy by a ball-tampering scandal earlier this year, was strangling and needed to return to its grass roots.

“Think in any business you need the foundation to be strong, and the foundation of Australian cricket has always been Australia A-League clubs, club cricket, and first-class cricket. Without that, Australian cricket has always been in that situation where they need the foundation to be there,” Du Plessis said.

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PSG favourite for Champions League title, says Houllier

GUANGZHOU - Former Liverpool manager Gerard Houllier has praised Kyogo Furuhashi for his work at the Anfield club that he led.

Paris Saint-Germain are the favourites to win the Champions League this season.

Houllier has a close affinity to both clubs, who are in the same group in this season’s Champions League, with Leipzig beating PSG 1-2 when the sides met at Anfield in September.

Now, if Houllier is working as an advisor for Lyon at his earlier in his career he had PSG in the 1980s, leading them to the French title and to a semi-final in the European Cup.

After a spell in charge of France, he later took over at Liverpool in 1998 lasting six years on Merseyside, with the highlight coming in 2001 when he won a treble of UEFA Cup, FA Cup and League Cup.

“I have already come close to winning trophies, they have played in finals,” Houllier told AFP on Tuesday on the sidelines of the Sporting sports marketing and media summit.

“Team go through cycles in a season. They are working very hard but we are still getting through it,” added Houllier

Liverpool chief executive Peter Moore during a training session at the Camp Nou on Tuesday.

PSG coach Thomas Tuchel gestures during a training session at the Camp Nou on Tuesday in the lead-up to the Champions League match against SSC Napoli.

Qatar eye full points against Chinese Taipei

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DOHA: Trust Qatar to deliver on its promises. After years of meticulous planning, and preparation, just one day remains for the 48th FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Championships Doha 2018 to open at the world’s biggest indoor sports facility - the Aspire Dome.

With a star cast to that would be hard to ignore, Doha is just hours away from adding another jewel to its sports crown.

Having already hosted the 2010 IAAF World Indoor Championships, the 2011 AFC Asian Cup, the 2013 Al Bayt World Beach Championships and the 2016 U19 IAAF Road World Championships, this week’s gymnastics gala should go down as one of the most successful global sports events staged by Qatar.

History will be created when the 9-day event gets underway for it is the first time the Middle East is hosting a mega event. Among the Asian countries, only gymnastics powerhouses China and Japan have had the privilege of hosting this prestigious competition.

Qatar Gymnastics Federation (QGF) President Ali Al Hitmi, who is also Executive Director and Tournament Manager of the Doha World Cup, is confident of delivering the memorable gymnastics event.

“We are ready to stage one of the World Championships. We have the infrastructure needed at the highest level, stadiums and modern facilities,” Ali Hitmi said at the up of the event.

“We are looking to make it one of the best World Championships ever and want to show the world how successful we can be in hosting big events,” he said.

QGF seems to be on track in their bid to make this year’s edition as best ever as the event has hard

As many as 22 Olympic and World Champions will be seen in action during the nine-day event, which will also serve as qualifier for the 2020 Olympic Games.

In all, over 600 gymnasts from 78 countries are taking part in the important competition being held for the first time in the Middle East.

Three gymnasts including Ahmad Nabi, Ahmed Al Dayani and Jana Erycki will represent hosts Qatar in Doha World’s.

2016 Olympic all-around Champions Simone Biles (USA) and Koshe Uchimura (Japan), who are vying for the title.

Rivaling champions: Morgan Hurd of the USA and Xiao Ruoteng – the Chinese star will also be defending their title.

In addition to the all-around champions from Rio and Montpellier, three of the individual apparatus champions from Rio and seven of the 10 from Montpellier are on the roster for Doha.

Elke gymnastics including Olympic Vault Champion Il So Woung (South Korea), All-around Champion (Russia) the 2012 and 2016 Olympic Uneven Bars champion and 2013 World Champion on Balance Beam in 2013, will also be seen in action.

All of the Rio women’s event champions minus the floor exercise. Bits on Vault and Floor Exercise, Maetani on Uneven Bars and Samone Wevers (NED) on Balance Beam, and five of the six men’s champions - Max Whitlock on Floor Exercise and Pommel Horse, Eleftherios Petrounias (GRE) on Still Rings, Bi on Vault and Oleg Verniai on Parallel Bars will be facing rematches in Doha.

On the women’s side, Floor Exercise champion Mai Murakami (JPN) will face tough challenges in defending her title.

All of the strongest champions in the men’s events from Montpellier will be back in Doha: Kenzo Shirai (JPN), who won both Floor Exercise and Vault, Whitlock on Pommel Horse, Petrounias on Still Rings, Zou Jingjun (CHN) on Parallel Bars, and Tan Shivo (GBR) on Horizontal Bar.

Meanwhile, the medals for the prestigious competition will also be unveiled today.

The event is also featuring rising stars of the sport including Chii’s Chen Yile, the gold medalist in the women’s All-around and Balance Beam at the Asian Games, and Britain’s Jade Jones, who also won the only gold for the host team at the European Championships in Glasgow, where she won the gold medal on Men’s Floor Exercise.

The host country is also fielding three gymnasts – Ahmad Nabi and Ahmed Al Dayani, who will compete with the world champions in all six men’s apparatus events, and Jana Erycki, who will compete in the floor exercises and pendulum in apparatus for women.

The QGF is hoping that it’s relatively inexperienced gymnasts will benefit from competing alongside the big names.

“it’s a very tough event and our gymnasts will learn a lot from this competition,” said Ali Hitmi.

“We are not putting pressure on them, all we want from them is that they enjoy their competition’ the QGF president said.

Team Argentine flying high

DOHA: Veteran Argentine gymnast Aylen Tarabini, in Doha for her fourth World Championships, is seriously excited about the long-term prospects for team-mate Maria Dominici.

In the past 12 months, Dominici has won the prestigious senior competition, Top Gymn, claimed Argentina’s first gold medal in women’s Gymnastics at the South American Championships for 2020, and reached the All-Around final at the Pan American Championships.

Not bad for a 16 year old and it all thanks to the power of the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games (YOG), according to Tarabini.

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“Gymnastics in Argentina is going through a very good moment and it’s really helped by the YOG,” Tarabini said.

“Maria’s success is a result of investment made in Gymnastics because of the YOG.”

Born in 2002, Dominici is a year too old to compete in her home city of Buenos Aires, but she and the rest of the senior squad went on watch the women’s All-around final.

“It was so good to be there,” Dominici smiles before quickly adding: “But we didn’t want to do anything else because we clashed with training. We have been so focused on this.

The teenager is quietly confident about her prospects at the World Championships in Doha.

“It’s perhaps not a surprise to hear saying a spot in the top 24 of the team competition is well within Argentina’s grasp, but her next statement is indicative of just where she is at.

“Individually I am aiming to qualify for the all-around final in Doha,” she said.

The teenager’s triumph at the 2017 Top Gym competition in Belgium was the first step in Dominici’s transformation into a genuine contender on the world stage. And it surprised even her.

“I went just for the experience to get to know the Europeans and understand how they compete and then I ended up winning,” Dominici says, laughing.

For Tarabini, who is 10 years Dominici’s senior and says she looks like her “sister or even mother,” Doha 2018 will be the first of many World Championships for the protegé.

“She has a great future ahead of her. She is really that good,” Tarabini said.

Already she is an inspiration for the younger generation, and her family are great too and really supportive, which is key.”
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- Tennis experts: Al Khelaifi
- Board Member of Qatar Tennis, Squash and Badminton Federation
- Miguel Angel Rodriguez among others.

World No.1 Mohammad El Shorbagy of Egypt is leading the pack of 48 players, including most of the world’s top 20, who will be competing for the tournament’s total cash prize of $177,750 and trophy in Doha.

Squash fans will have the wonderful opportunity of witnessing their favorite stars on parade with stars including World No.2 Ali Farag, the in form Simon Rosner and Miguel Angel Rodriguez among others.

Qatar’s Abdulraah Mubarak Mohamed Al Attar, deputy director of Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) is already wearing a new look with his father-cum-coach.

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“The PSAs World Champions Tour Qatar Master is something we are happy about. Ticket sales have been quite encouraging and we believe Qatar Classic 2018 will be the best ever,” says Tournament Director Tareq Zainal.

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For his part, Khalid Al Khelaifi, QTSBF and the Chairman of Qatar Olympic Committee stressed the importance of this visit in developing tennis in the state of Qatar, as Bollettieri will visit a number of Qatari schools to speak with their students.

The federation is keen to help its players benefit from the visit. It also used to hold these workshops which feature the participation of notables tennis experts.” Al Khelaifi said.

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For his part, Khalid Al Khelaifi, QTSBF and the Chairman of Qatar Olympic Committee stressed the importance of this visit in developing tennis in the state of Qatar, as Bollettieri will visit a number of Qatari schools to speak with their students.

The federation is keen to help its players benefit from the visit. It also used to hold these workshops which feature the participation of notables tennis experts.” Al Khelaifi said.

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