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Medvedev hopes for more chances to win a Slam title

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Novak? A shy youngster, a content Osaka said after winning the 2018 US Open, where she beat Novak in the semis, after also beating her in the 2018 Australian Open final with a 7-5 6-2 6-2 unscathed in nine Australian Open finals with a 7-5 6-2 6-2 unscathed in nine Australian Open finals. Osaka aimed to inspire a new generation — but says Williams is still the queen.

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Barcelona hit by late penalty to draw with Cadiz

Barcelona cruised to their 11th straight win in La Liga on Sunday, but they were forced to settle for a 1-1 draw with Cadiz after conceding a late penalty.

The game looked to be all but over when Lionel Messi scored his 69th goal of the season and 700th in total for club and country to put Barca 1-0 up after 71 minutes.

However, Cadiz扳回了一城, scoring a late equaliser through a penalty to earn a share of the spoils.

The result means Barca have extended their lead at the top of the table to 13 points over second-place Atletico Madrid.

Manager Ernesto Valverde praised his team’s performance, saying: “It was a good win, with a big effort from all the players.”

For Cadiz, the draw ends a run of six consecutive league losses, which has seen them slide down the table.

Next up for Barca is a trip to Cadiz in the next round of the Copa del Rey, while Cadiz will host Deportivo La Coruna in the same competition.
**GOLDFIELD**

January 22, 2021

**I SOCCER**

**SERIE A**

Martinez, Lukaku send Inter 4 clear after derby win

“We’ve suffered this last year. Two eliminations in the Italian Cup and the Champions League, this is the only goal we have left and we were fighting for that.”

*Fabio Grosso*

The Italian champions closed to within three wins of a first league title this evening as Lautaro Martinez at San Siro, Milan, Italy, sent Inter 4-1 yesterday to open the Serie A league standings. Lukaku was on top form, the striker firing home 10 minutes before the break from a Christian Eriksen free-kick. Daniele de Rossi squared the ball to the hand’s ball from Dries Mertens and Antonio Conte’s side came out firing with Lukaku finding the back of the net twice before the break. A goal after five minutes by Martinez, the forward having been had his eight matches of the season and another blow with a defender replacement from Inter, destroyed the stadium grounds. The game was also punished by a referee’s silence for a further 3-1 Inter lead. Daniele de Rossi, in the 11th minute of the contest, scored again with Lukaku cementing his place as the leading scorer in Serie A with 17 goals so far.

**IN Pictures**

Roma’s Lukaku celebrates Inter Milan’s second goal, as six-yellow Inter beat 18-point leaders Celtic.

**BUNDESLIGA**

Leipzig brush past Hertha Berlin to close in on Bayern

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“Leipzig won’t go past Hertha Berlin in the last 15 minutes and Inter isn’t the best team in Serie A.”

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**SCOTTISH PREMIERSHIP**

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**GOLF**

Robinson, White emerge winners

**UK COULD OFFER TO HOST WHOLE OF EURO 2020**

The UK government is expressing keen interest to be able to help return sports to normality by the end of May and offer to host some or all of the matches from a hosting tournament that could be a year’s worth of games. The UK football authorities, including the FA and the Premier League, have previously expressed interest in helping host England games this year but the mechanism to do so has not been publicly released, despite the original plan to all games in at least 12 cities across the logistical challenges.

However, UEFA is believed to be looking at contingency plans should ongoing restrictions...
Butler scores 24 as Miami edge Lakers in finals rematch

Charlotte Hornets edge Golden State Warriors on buzzer-beater

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NBA

Los Angeles

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ilon Butcher and Ruthfne Niiam combined for 15 points as the Mi- nions defeated reigning league champions the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 5 of the Western Conference semifinals to take a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven NBA Playoffs.

Miami Heat 116-108 LA Lakers

By Andrew Dalglish

The Miami Heat have pulled off a stunning victory over the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 5 of their NBA Playoffs Western Conference semifinals series. The Heat won 116-108 to take a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven series.

49ers' playbook, says vice-chairman

San Francisco 49ers' head coach Kyle Shanahan has praised the club's approach to rebuilding and commented on the influence of former owner John Fords' playbook, which was instrumental in the team's success.

Leeds can benefit from 49ers' playbook, says vice-chairman

Leeds United's vice-chairman, Parag Marathe, has expressed interest in adapting the San Francisco 49ers' playbook to benefit the West Yorkshire club. Marathe has admired the 49ers' rebuilding efforts and believes they could learn from their approach.

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Matthews had a goal and two assists for the Leafs in the second period, leading his team to a 5-3 win over the Montreal Canadiens in Game 4 of their NHL Eastern Conference semifinals series.

NHL

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The Toronto Maple Leafs' Auston Matthews celebrates his goal against Montreal Canadiens with teammates during the second period at Bell Centre in Montreal (USA TODAY Sports)
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Van der Poel makes winning start to UAE Tour

**Cycling**

**FOCUS**

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Who were the players?

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**SPOTLIGHT**

No criticism of 2nd Test pitch from our point of view: Broad

**Cricket**

**Lights on in Christchurch as NZ host Australia**

Today's game will mark the 10th anniversary of the earthquake that destroyed the city.

**Comment**

Missing Tests in England for IPL not preferred: Williamson

**IPL**

New Zealand

England players don’t deserve any more criticism for the pitch that was laid out at the first Test against Australia, said FirstSportz. Smith, said Smith, had not been able to get used to the small-sized pitch. He also added that the pitch did not have the expected bounce and that the ball was coming out of the pitch quicker than expected.

**Mumbai's four-stadia, Motera likely to host IPL 2021**

Mumbai and Ahmedabad are the likely venues for the four-stadium format of the IPL 2021. The two cities will host the final and the eliminator matches, while Mumbai will also host the opening match.

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