

# Australia beat England in ODI series



Australia's Glenn Maxwell (right), plays a shot during the third ODI cricket match between England and Australia at Old Trafford in Manchester, England on Sept 16. (AP)

## Maxwell, Carey star

**MANCHESTER, England, Sept 17, (AP):** Glenn Maxwell and Alex Carey struck centuries in a 212-run stand to help Australia reach a record target of 303 at Old Trafford with two balls remaining and secure a one-day international series win over England.

Mitchell Starc started the third and deciding ODI by taking wickets from the first two balls of the match, and ended it by sweeping a four for the winning runs under lights as the Australians consigned England to their first loss in a bilateral ODI series at home since 2015.

It was a record ODI chase at the Manchester venue – bettering England's 286-4 against New Zealand in 1986 in a 60-over match – and gave Australia a famous series win over the world champions to take back Down Under from their white-ball tour that also included a 2-1 loss in a Twenty20 series.

Replying to 302-7, Australia slumped to 73-5 only for Carey and Maxwell to produce Australia's highest sixth-wicket partnership in ODIs and turn the tide. While Carey was the steadiest of the pair with his 106

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off 114 balls, Maxwell delivered some trademark big hits – he had seven sixes, all over the short boundary on one side of the ground – for his 90-ball 108.

"Maxy is in the team to do a specific role, and that's to be able to take the game away from opposition but also be that guy to counterattack and swing momentum in changing rooms," Australia captain Aaron Finch said.

"What makes him so damaging is he can play all around the ground. I don't think there's many bowlers in the world that can trouble him when he is having one of those days. The way he navigated that innings and took it deeper and deeper ... he did that perfectly."

Maxwell eventually fell with 15 balls left and Australia needed 14 off the last two overs. Carey couldn't see the tourists home, either, departing for 106 to a fabulous diving catch by Mark Wood off the seventh-to-last ball.

Starc entered, with Australia needing 10 off the last over bowled by legspinner Adil Rashid, and smashed his first ball down the ground for six. After two singles, Starc swept Rashid round the corner and the ball sped to



Australia's Glenn Maxwell (left), and Alex Carey pose with the winners trophy after their win in the third ODI cricket match between England and Australia at Old Trafford in Manchester, England on Sept 16. (AP)

the boundary rope, sealing a three-wicket win and sparking cheers from his teammates on the balcony.

"Australia were too good for us today," England captain Eoin Morgan said, "starting in the first over."

Indeed, England, which won the toss, did well to reach 300 after recovering from losing the wickets of Jason Roy and Joe Root from the opening two balls of the match bowled by Starc. Jonny Bairstow was England's star, hitting 112 for his 10th ODI hundred with a nonchalant flicked six off Pat Cummins bringing up three figures.

Chris Woakes smashed a late-innings 53 off 39 balls to make Australia's task even harder.

Playing without Steve Smith for the third straight game this series after the star batsman failed to recover from a knock to the head, the Aussies looked in big trouble after Marnus Labuschagne's sloppy run-out left them five down, with just bowlers to follow Maxwell.

England will regret a no-ball by Archer – his first in ODI cricket – off which he had Carey caught at third man when on 9. Wicketkeeper Jos Buttler also dropped a tough chance off a nick by Maxwell when 44.

"Small opportunities that we might have taken advantage of might have changed the game," Morgan said, "but when you've been beaten by a better side, you have to put your hand up."

It was England's only series loss of its international summer – during which all of its games have been played in a bio-secure bubble without fans – after taking on the West Indies, Ireland, Pakistan and Australia in various formats.

## Asian Games gold medalist runner 'banned' for doping

**MONACO, Sept 17, (AP):** Bahrain distance runner Hassan Chani was banned for four years for blood doping and stripped of his 2018 Asian Games gold medal, the Athletics Integrity Unit said on Thursday.

Chani's doping was shown by changes in the blood values in his biological passport, the AIU verdict said.

He was disqualified from all of his results since August 2017, including his 10,000 title at the last Asian Games and 10,000 silver medal at the 2019 Asian championships.

Morocco-born Chani is the latest medalist implicated in doping violations after changing nationality to represent Bahrain at major events.

## 'Strong commitment'

# New Japanese PM gets word out: He supports Tokyo Olympics

**TOKYO, Sept 17, (AP):** Japan's new prime minister has gotten the word out to the president of the International Olympic Committee that he is behind next year's delayed Tokyo Games.

Yoshiro Mori, the head of the local organizing committee and also a former prime minister, said Prime

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Minister Yoshihide Suga has a "strong commitment" to the Tokyo Olympics. Mori said that was the message he conveyed on a call to IOC President Thomas Bach.

"Mr Bach was very pleased when he heard this," Mori said, speaking on Thursday at the organizing committee offices. "He said he wanted to fly over immediately and thank Mr Suga for that."

Tokyo organizers say the games will open on July 23, 2021, despite the coronavirus pandemic, but they have given few details about exactly how,

and at what added costs.

They have said specifics about fans, quarantines, border controls and testing will not be forthcoming until the end of the year, or even into early 2021.

Mori told Bach the reappointment of the two ministers directly connected to the Olympics – Education Minister Koichi Hagiuda and Olympic Minister Seiko Hashimoto – showed the government's continued support.

"Making the Olympics and Paralympics a success, using all means, is the strong commitment of Japan," Hagiuda said, speaking alongside Mori. "There are many challenges but, as the minister in charge, I would like to do my utmost to solve them – one by one."

Hashimoto, an Olympic medal winner, said her focus was the athletes.

"I think making environments where athletes can respect each other and compete to the best of their ability is the most important," she said.



Newly elected Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga (center), smiles with Finance Minister Taro Aso (right), and Foreign Minister Toshimitsu Motegi (left), as they go for a photo session after their first cabinet meeting at the prime minister's official residence in Tokyo on Sept 16. (AP)

## Whitecaps beat Impact

# Mosquera hat trick helps FC Dallas top Rapids 4-1

**FRISCO, Texas, Sept 17, (AP):** Santiago Mosquera had FC Dallas' first hat trick since 2018 in a 4-1 victory over the Colorado Rapids.

Mosquera's first goal, a one-touch finish at the penalty spot, came on an assist from Michael Barrios to give Dallas a 1-0 lead in the 41st minute. Mosquera made it 3-0 in the 57th by intercepting a back pass and finishing on a fast break. Mosquera capitalized on a failed clearance of a corner kick in 78th and slotted it inside the far post.

The last hat trick for Dallas was from Barrios on July 28, 2018, at Sporting Kansas City.

Dallas (4-2-4) has won its last four home games against Colorado



San Jose Earthquakes forward Andres Rios (25) goes up for a head ball next to Portland Timbers' Dario Zuparcic during the first half of an MLS soccer match on Sept 16 in San Jose, California. (AP)

Sunday, the Impact beat the Whitecaps 4-2 in Montreal.

The game was the last scheduled contest in Canada this season. The three Canadian teams will travel to the US for their next three matchups.

## Earthquakes 1, Timbers 1

In San Jose, California, Valeri Qazaishvili scored in the 76th minute and San Jose Earthquakes tied Portland Timbers.

San Jose (2-4-5) will host Portland (4-4-3) again Saturday night.

Yimmi Chará gave Portland the lead in the 33rd on an assist from brother Diego, becoming the sixth pair of brothers in MLS history to connect on a goal.

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(3-4-4), making its series record 25-8-6 at Toyota Stadium.

Franco Jara headed in a corner kick in the opening minutes of the second half for a 2-0 lead. Colorado got on the board in the 63rd on Andre Shinyashiki's goal.

## Whitecaps 3, Impact 1

In Vancouver, British Columbia, Fredy Montero scored twice and Vancouver beat Montreal, giving Toronto FC the top spot in the MLS round-robin portion of the Canadian Championship.

Montreal needed a victory to top the three-team competition. Toronto will face the winner of the Canadian Premier League finale between the Forge FC of Hamilton, Ontario, and HFX Wanderers of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Christian Djajic also scored for Vancouver (4-7-0). Romell Quioto scored for the Impact (5-5-1). On

# Fed Cup renamed to honor tennis great Billie Jean King

**WASHINGTON, Sept 17, (AP):** The Fed Cup is changing its name to honor tennis great Billie Jean King, the woman whose lifelong battle for equality and social justice laid the foundation for generations that followed.

The Billie Jean King Cup will become the first major global team competition to be named after a woman, the International Tennis Federation said Thursday.

"I'm still in shock," the 76-year-old King said of the tribute. "It's really a privilege, and it's also a responsibility. It's wild, it's great, it's wonderful."

The rebranding follows earlier changes to bring prize money in

careers to start the Virginia Slims tour. Their work led to the creation of the Women's Tennis Association in 1973 as the organizing body for women's professional tennis.

King's early efforts led to the lucrative prize funds and multi-million-dollar endorsement deals enjoyed today by top players like Serena Williams and Naomi Osaka.

"Today, the players are living our dream, and we're thrilled for them," King said in an interview with The Associated Press ahead of the announcement.

"Women's tennis is the leader in women's sports. We are also leaders in the fight for justice and equality."

Osaka, who took stances against racial injustice en route to her US Open victory, said the newly named tournament will "mean a lot more" now.

"For me, she's truly an inspiration and she always texts me really nice messages," the 22-year-old Osaka said. "It's always very nice to see someone so respected just care so much about the game."



King

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line with the men's Davis Cup and coincides with the 50th anniversary of King's pioneering effort to launch a women's pro tennis circuit.

"We feel it's long overdue," ITF president David Haggerty said. "All major team competitions, including Davis Cup, are named after men, and we think it's really fitting that the women's world cup of tennis would be named after someone as iconic as Billie Jean King, who changed the face of women's sports."

King and her peers, known as the "Original 9", risked their

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