

Blues finish preseason with 7-3 win over Blue Jackets

Capitals rally past Flyers after losing Ovechkin to injury



Simona Halep of Romania, returns to Marta Kostyuk, of Ukraine, at the BNP Paribas Open tennis tournament on Oct 8, in Indian Wells, Calif. (AP)

US Open champ Raducanu upset at Indian Wells; Murray advances

Sasnovich to play Halep in 3rd round

INDIAN WELLS, Calif., Oct. 9, (AP): Emma Raducanu came down to earth in her first tournament since her surprising U.S. Open victory, losing in straight sets to Aliaksandra Sasnovich at the BNP Paribas Open.

Raducanu lost 6-2, 6-4 in the second round, ending her 10-match winning streak that began in New York. She received a wild-card into the combined ATP and WTA tournament in the Southern California desert.

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It was Raducanu's fifth Tour-level event since making her WTA Tour debut in June.

"I'm kind of glad that what happened today happened so I can learn and take it as a lesson so going forward I'll just have more experience banked," she said.

Former world No. 1 Andy Murray beat Adrian Mannarino 6-3, 6-2 in his first match as a wild-card. Murray fired five aces and connected on 82% of his first serves against the French lefty-hander. Mannarino failed in his lone chance to break.

Leyla Fernandez, who lost to Rad-



Andy Murray of Britain serves to Adrian Mannarino of France at the BNP Paribas Open tennis tournament on Oct. 8, in Indian Wells, Calif. (AP)

ucanu in the U.S. Open final, defeated Alize Cornet 6-2, 6-3. Fernandez converted 5 of 9 break points and hit 71% of her second serves.

Sasnovich, a 27-year-old from Belarus ranked 100th in the world, reached the doubles semifinals last month at the U.S. Open while Raducanu was completing a stunning run from qualifier to champion at age 18.

"Emma just won the U.S. Open and I lost there in the first round," Sasnovich said, "so it was a little bit different."

Sasnovich got service breaks to

take leads of 3-1 and 5-2 and close out the set in 30 minutes without ever losing her serve.

Raducanu rallied in the second set, taking a 4-2 lead. But Sasnovich broke for a fifth time and led 5-4 before serving out the match. Sasnovich won 53% of her second serves to just 29% for Raducanu.

"I'm still so new to everything," Raducanu said. "The experiences that I'm going through right now, even though I might not feel 100 percent amazing right now, I know they're for the greater good."

Sasnovich advanced to play No.

11 seed Simona Halep in the third round. Halep beat Marta Kostyuk 7-6 (2), 6-1.

Iga Swiatek needed just 71 minutes to dispatch Petra Martic 6-1, 6-3.

The last time the tournament was played in 2019, Swiatek lost in qualifying. Now, she's the No. 2 seed and the 2020 French Open champion.

Swiatek won nine of the first 10 games against Martic before the Polish star got broken twice and fell behind 0-3 in the second set. Swiatek rallied to win the next six games and close out the match.

"In 2019, I wasn't playing that confident, but I'm really happy that times have changed now," Swiatek said. "In the second set, I lost focus for one game and she broke me pretty fast, so I knew I just had to keep going and not stop for a second time."

No. 4 seed Elina Svitolina beat Tereza Martincova 6-2, 7-5. No. 7 Petra Kvitova beat Arantxa Rus 6-2, 6-2. Ninth-seeded Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova topped American Madison Keys 6-3, 6-1.

Victoria Azarenka advanced via walkover when Magda Linette quit trailing 7-5, 3-0. Shelby Rogers routed Kristina Kucova 6-2, 6-2. No. 19 Jessica Pegula beat Sloane Stephens 6-2, 6-3.

On the men's side, Americans Jenson Brooksby and Ernesto Escobedo won their first-round matches. Brooksby beat Cem Ilkel 7-6 (5), 6-4, and Escobedo defeated Holger Rune 6-4, 6-1.

WASHINGTON, Oct 9, (AP): Tom Wilson scored the tying goal early in the third period and Anthony Mantha got the go-ahead score 1:35 later as the Washington Capitals rallied to beat the Philadelphia Flyers 5-3 in a preseason game.

Lars Eller, John Carlson and Nic Dowd also scored for Washington, which lost star Alex Ovechkin to a lower body injury. Ilya Samsonov had 22 saves.

Cam Atkinson had two goals and Claude Giroux also scored for Philadelphia. Martin Jones stopped 28 shots.

Ovechkin bumped into Flyers forward Travis Konecny midway through the first period and then went down to the ice. Washington's cap-



Washington Capitals defenseman Dmitry Orlov (9) skates with the puck against Philadelphia Flyers center Nate Thompson (44) during the third period of an NHL preseason hockey game on Oct 8, in Washington. (AP)

ICE HOCKEY

tain was slow to get up and skated off on his own while not putting much weight on his left leg.

The team announced at the first intermission that Ovechkin would not return.

Blues 7, Blue jackets 3

In St. Louis, Robert Bortuzzo had a goal and two assists, and David Perron and Jake Walman each had a goal and an assist to lead St. Louis past Columbus.

Vladimir Tarasenko, James Neal, Jordan Kyrou, and Tyler Bozak also scored for the Blues, and Robert Thomas added two assists. Jordan Binnington had 17 saves.

Emil Bernstrom had two goals and Brendan Gaunce also scored for the Blue Jackets. Joonas Korpi also finished with 22 saves.

Flames 3, Jets 1

In Calgary, Alberta, Andrew Mangiapane and Sean Monahan scored in the first period, and Calgary beat Winnipeg.

Elias Lindholm had a goal and an assist for the Flames, and Rasmus Andersson had three assists and Johnny Gaudreau added two. Jacob Markstrom stopped 22 shots.

Logan Stanley scored for Winnipeg, and Connor Hellebuyck finished with 20 saves.

Title rival Verstappen in 3rd

Bottas claims Turkish GP pole as Hamilton gets grid penalty

ISTANBUL, Oct 9, (AP): Formula One defending champion Lewis Hamilton took pole position for the Turkish Grand Prix on Saturday ahead of Mercedes teammate Valtteri Bottas with title rival Max Verstappen in third.

But Hamilton has a 10-place grid penalty for going over his allocation of three combustion engines for the season and will start 11th on Sunday. It means Bottas will be on the front row with Verstappen and Ferrari's Charles Leclerc just behind in third, alongside AlphaTauri's Pierre Gasly in fourth, after a strong final lap from Gasly.

Hamilton's record-extending 102nd pole saw him finish .13 seconds ahead of Bottas and .33 clear of Verstappen's Red Bull.

"It was a tricky session, there were

still some damp patches (on track)," Hamilton said. "It's not easy for overtaking here so I think it will be difficult tomorrow."

As the afternoon rain started to fall, drivers tried to do quick early laps in Q1 before the track got too wet.

Ferrari's Carlos Sainz Jr. spun off track and got back on, as did AlphaTauri's Yuki Tsunoda, while Hamilton went wide on Turn 5.

Hamilton topped Q1 ahead of Verstappen and Bottas, while McLaren's Daniel Ricciardo - winner of eight F1 races - was the biggest name among the five knocked out of it. "I struggled to get more out of the soft tires," Ricciardo said. "No excuses."

Although Hamilton again topped Q2 ahead of Bottas and Verstappen, he also complained of not getting enough heat into his tires.

Leclerc had an issue with down-

MOTOR RACING



Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton of Britain with his award for winning pole position after the end of qualifying for Sunday's Formula One Turkish Grand Prix at the Intercontinental Istanbul Park circuit in Istanbul, Turkey, Saturday, Oct. 9. (AP)

force and lost the rear of his Ferrari as he slid off track midway through Q2.

That damaged his tires a little and put him at risk of not qualifying for Q3. But the driver from Monaco got through on his last lap, while four-time F1 champion Sebastian Vettel missed out for Aston Martin.

The 5.3-kilometer (3.3-mile) Istanbul Park circuit was fairly dry by Q3 and Hamilton took control without too much trouble.

He leads Verstappen by two points in a thrilling title race but could well be overtaken by the Dutchman. Hamilton trails Verstappen 7-3 for wins 7-4 for poles this season and there are six races to go after Turkey.

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