



England's Jack van Poortvliet (left), is tackled by Australia's Jordan Petaia as he scores a try during the rugby international between England and the Wallabies in Perth, Australia. Australia beat England 30-28. (AP) - See Page 15

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Cornet ends Iga 37-match win streak

Fritz, Nakashima advance

WIMBLEDON, England, July 2, (AP): Top-ranked Iga Swiatek was unbeaten since February and sure seemed unbeatable, compiling 37 consecutive match wins and six consecutive tournament titles.

She's never quite been as comfortable on grass courts as other surfaces, though, and a mistake-filled Saturday sent Swiatek out of Wimbledon in the third round with a 6-4, 6-2 loss to 37th-ranked Alize Cornet of France.

It was not just the match's winner that was unexpected. It was also just how one-sided this 1-hour, 33-minute encounter was.

No woman had won as many matches in a row as Swiatek since Martina Hingis also put together a run of 37 in 1997.

But right away, it seemed, this would not be Swiatek's day.

"I didn't know what to do," she said. On a chilly, windy afternoon at No.

1 Court, she quickly fell behind 3-0 and of Cornet's first 14 points, nine came via unforced errors off the racket of the 21-year-old player from Poland. Only one came via a winner produced by Cornet herself.

Normally so crisp with her shots, calm with her demeanor, Swiatek was not exactly at ease in either sense. After one missed forehand return, she swatted the toes of her right shoe with her racket.

By the end, Swiatek had made 33 unforced errors - a whopping 26 more than Cornet. And Swiatek's strong forehand produced nine winners, only two more than Cornet amassed.

This is not the first surprising result Cornet has come up with at the All England Club. The only other time she reached the fourth round at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament came in 2014, when she eliminated major singles champion Serena Williams.

When the match ended - appropriately enough, with Swiatek dumping a forehand into the net - Cornet raised her arms and smiled as wide a smile as can be.

TENNIS

Cornet is a 32-year-old who reached her first quarterfinal in 63 appearances at majors by getting that far at the Australian Open in January. Now she's a win away from getting that far again, facing unseeded Ajla Tomljanovic of Australia next.

Tomljanovic, a quarterfinalist a year ago at the All England Club, eliminated 2021 French Open champion Barbora Krejčíková 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.

In a contest between two young Americans - and a rematch of the 2017 U.S. Open junior final - No. 20 seed Amanda Anisimova came back to top No. 11 Coco Gauff 6-7 (4), 6-2, 6-1 at Centre Court.

Gauff, who is 18 and lost to Swiatek in the final at Roland Garros last month, led 3-0 at the start, before the 20-year-old Anisimova's forceful baseline game eventually began to hold sway. Anisimova took that opening set to a tiebreaker, which she then



Australia's Jason Kubler returns the ball to Jack Sock of the US in a third round men's singles match on day six of the Wimbledon tennis championships in London. (AP)

led 4-1, but Gauff grabbed the next half-dozen points.

That could have been trouble for Anisimova. She didn't let it derail her. Instead, she kept taking control of groundstroke exchanges while also doing a fantastic job of handling Gauff's serve, which reached 123 mph Saturday.

In all, Anisimova won more than half of Gauff's service games and saved 10 of the 13 break points she faced.

After entering 2022 with a record of 11-23 in three-setters, Anisimova has gone 13-6 this season, leading the tour for the most victories in matches that

go the distance.

When Anisimova closed out the victory, she dropped to her back on the court, covering her face with both hands, then rose to blow kisses to the crowd and wiped away tears.

Next for Anisimova is a match against Harmony Tan, who is making her Wimbledon debut and defeated Williams in the first round last Tuesday.

Other women's fourth-round matches Monday will be No. 17 Elena Rybakina vs. Petra Martić, and 2019 champion Simona Halep against No. 4 Paula Badosa, who got past two-time

Wimbledon winner Petra Kvitová 7-5, 7-6 (4).

In the men's draw, two Americans advanced to the fourth round and two others were eliminated.

Taylor Fritz, who is seeded 11th, beat Alex Molcan 6-4, 6-1, 7-6 (3), while Brandon Nakashima defeated Daniel Elahi Galan 6-4, 6-4, 6-1.

Jenson Brooksby, however, lost to Cristian Garin 6-2, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4 and Jack Sock was beaten by Jason Kubler 6-2, 4-6, 5-7, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

No. 19 Alex de Minaur and No. 21 Botić van de Zandschulp also made it to the fourth round.

They join No. 23 Frances Tiafoe and No. 30 Tommy Paul, who advanced a day earlier.

Whether her opponents are tournament favorites or crowd favorites, Harmony Tan keeps knocking them out of Wimbledon.

First there was Serena Williams, a seven-time champion at the All England Club. Then came 32nd-seeded Sara Sorribes Tormo. On Saturday, it was British player Katie Boulter. And her next challenge will be against another American after 20th-seeded Amanda Anisimova beat French Open runner-up Coco Gauff on Centre Court.

Two-time defending champion Pogacar stays third overall

Jakobsen overtakes Van Aert on line to win Tour stage 2

NYBORG, Denmark, July 2, (AP): Dutch rider Fabio Jakobsen overtook Wout van Aert right on the line to win the second stage of the Tour de France while Van Aert took the yellow jersey on Saturday.

It was a first Tour stage win for Jakobsen and a second in two days for the Quick-Step Alpha Vinyl team after Yves Lampaert's win in Friday's time trial.

But Van Aert took the yellow jersey for the first time with a six-second bonus for finishing second, to lead Lampaert by one second overall.

"It's a great pleasure for me to wear the jersey. I've tried to get it many times. I'm very happy and proud," Van Aert said. "This is the biggest cycling race in the world so of course I will try to defend it."

Van Aert also has the green jersey for best sprinter and is Primož Roglič's teammate on the Jumbo-Visma team.

"We have big ambitions," Van Aert said.

Two-time defending champion Tadej Pogacar stayed third overall and was eight seconds behind Van Aert.

Pogacar remained nine seconds ahead of his main rival Roglič, who is eighth overall. They both finished in the main pack and did not take time off each other. Roglič was the Tour runner-up in 2020 and has won the past three Spanish Vueltas.

After the peloton crossed the immense Great Belt suspension bridge, several riders fell near the back of the pack with two kilometers left to the finish in Nyborg.

CYCLING

Van Aert seemed set to win after overtaking Danish hope Mads Pedersen, but Jakobsen surged past him with a great burst of speed. Pedersen finished third.

After his surprise win, Lampaert wore yellow as riders set off on the 202 kilometers (125 miles) from the port city of Roskilde to Nyborg in central Denmark.

The start was slightly delayed after Tim Wellens punctured and Simon Yates had mechanical issues.

Huge crowds packed the roadsides as the red-and-white wave of Danish enthusiasm continued.

Especially with Danish rider Magnus Cort forming an early breakaway group, along with Norwegian Sven Erik Bystrøm, and Frenchmen Cyril Barthe and Pierre Rolland.

Bright sunshine added to the feel-

Gobert traded by Jazz to Timberwolves

WASHINGTON, July 2, (AP): For Utah, one era is ending. For Minnesota, one seems to be beginning.

The Jazz have agreed to trade Rudy Gobert - a three-time defensive player of the year - to the Timberwolves for a massive package of players and draft picks, according to a person with knowledge of the blockbuster deal.

Utah will receive four first-round picks between 2023 and 2029, a first-round pick from this year's draft in Walker Kessler, along with Patrick Beverley and Malik Beasley, according to the person who spoke to The Associated Press on Friday on condition of anonymity because the NBA had not approved the deal and neither team could announce it publicly.

ESPN, which first reported the trade, also said Jarred Vanderbilt was going from Minnesota to Utah as part of the deal for Gobert - who now gets paired alongside another

elite big man in Karl-Anthony Towns. Zach LaVine is staying in Chicago. Same goes for Jusuf Nurkić in Portland.

Day 2 of NBA free agency on Friday brought another max deal - this time, going to LaVine, who secured the richest contract in Bulls history when he agreed to a \$215 million, five-year contract.

BASKETBALL

LaVine technically was a free agent, for about 18 hours. Klutch Sports, which represents LaVine, made the announcement of the max agreement, with the Bulls able to offer the Olympic gold medalist and two-time All-Star \$56 million more than any other club could this summer.

good factor, although at times fans got too close to the pack as Cort and Bystrøm pulled away from the French at the front.

Cort was a stage winner in 2018. Mogens Frey, the first Dane to win a Tour stage back in 1970, turned 81 on

Saturday.

"I can't believe how many people were on the sides of the road cheering me on," said Cort, who has the polka-dot jersey for best climber after taking three bonus points along the route's three minor climbs. "I was impressed

by this fervor. Cycling is a big part of Danish culture, everyone here had a bike growing up."

Cort faded entering the last 40 kilometers as Bystrøm was alone in front, while Roglič and Pogacar were near each other in the peloton some 30 seconds behind.



Stage winner Netherlands' Fabio Jakobsen (left), crosses the finish line ahead of second place Belgium's Wout van Aert, wearing the best sprinter's green jersey, and third place, Denmark's Mads Pedersen (center), in the second stage of the Tour de France cycling race over 202.5 kilometers (125.8 miles) with start in Roskilde and finish in Nyborg, Denmark. (AP)



Ferrari driver Carlos Sainz of Spain steers his car during the third free practice at the Silverstone circuit, in Silverstone, England. (AP)

Hamilton qualifies fifth for his home race

Sainz 'takes' first pole, Max booted at British Grand Prix

SILVERSTONE, England, July 2, (AP): It took 151 attempts for Carlos Sainz to earn his first Formula One pole. Now he'll chase that elusive first win.

But starting alongside Sainz on the front row Sunday at the British Grand Prix will be defending F1 champion Max Verstappen, a year removed from the crash with Lewis Hamilton that turned their title fight into a bitter rivalry.

Verstappen was booed by some in the crowd after Saturday's action-packed qualifying session in the rain, and said he could barely hear his on-track interview questions over the jeers.

"If they want to boo, they do that. For me, it's not going to change anything," he said. "Maybe some of them don't like me, but that's fine. They all have their own opinions. I don't care."

Sainz set the fastest time late in the third qualifying session to edge Verstappen by just .072 seconds. It was the seventh pole in 10 races for Ferrari this season, though Sainz teammate Charles Leclerc had earned the first six poles prior to Sainz's surprise run.

"First pole position, it's always special, and especially to do it in Silverstone in the wet," Sainz said. "Kept it cool through the session and toward the end I decided to push."

Sainz narrowly missed out on what would have been his first career win two weeks ago at the Canadian Grand Prix, where he finished just behind Verstappen. The Spanish driver has

been on the podium 11 times in his career but never on the top step. He's finished second three times this season.

Leclerc will start third, ahead of Sergio Pérez in the second Red Bull.

Sunday's race is expected to be largely dry after a rainy qualifying session. The improved conditions could favor the two Red Bulls after Verstappen set the fastest lap time of anyone this weekend in the final practice session before the rain began to fall at Silverstone.

Seven-time champion Lewis Hamilton qualified fifth for his home race as Mercedes seemed to have made progress with its problems of bouncing at high speed. His teammate George Russell was eighth.

MOTOR RACING

As Verstappen spoke trackside following qualifying, the boos were audible for the Dutchman. Verstappen and Hamilton collided in last year's race, with Verstappen hitting the wall while Hamilton overcame a penalty to win.

The incident further heightened their often-bitter rivalry in a title race ultimately won by Verstappen, and turned some British fans against Verstappen. He was taken to a hospital for observation following the crash and complained that Hamilton showed poor sportsmanship by celebrating the victory as Verstappen was being medically evaluated.