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Sports

I. Cricket

Australia's Dominance in West Indies: Australia has achieved a historic feat by whitewashing West Indies 5-0 in a five-match T20I series, concluding their Caribbean tour unbeaten with an emphatic 8-0 clean sweep across formats (including the Test series). This marks the first time a full-member nation has achieved a 5-0 T20I whitewash.

England vs. India Test Series Decider: The five-Test series between England and India is heading for a high-stakes decider. The fourth Test at Old Trafford ended in a draw, leaving England leading the series 2-1. India's head coach Gautam Gambhir has urged his team for "one final push" in the upcoming final Test at The Oval, starting July 31.

Virat Kohli's Enduring Influence: Former India head coach Ravi Shastri has once again hailed Virat Kohli as the "most influential player of the last decade," praising his lasting impact on Indian cricket.

Asia Cup 2025 Confirmed: The Asian Cricket Council (ACC) has officially confirmed that the Men's T20 Asia Cup 2025 will be held in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) from September 9 to 28. This expanded edition will feature eight teams, with arch-rivals India and Pakistan placed in the same group. Their highly anticipated clash is scheduled for September 14. India, as defending champions, will begin their campaign against UAE on September 10. The tournament serves as crucial preparation for the ICC T20 World Cup in February 2026.

II. Football (Soccer)

Summer Transfer Window Activity: The European football summer transfer window is in full swing, with major clubs making significant moves.

Marcus Rashford to Barcelona (Loan): Manchester United forward Marcus Rashford has joined Barcelona on a season-long loan. This move is seen as an opportunity for the 27-year-old to revive his career after a dip in form at United and a loan spell at Aston Villa. The loan reportedly includes an option for Barcelona to buy him for around €30 million (\$35 million).

Liverpool's Transfers: Liverpool has been active, with confirmed incomings including Hugo Ekitike (Eintracht Frankfurt), Jeremie Frimpong, and Florian Wirtz (both from Bayer Leverkusen), Milos Kerkez (AFC Bournemouth), and Giorgi Mamardashvili (Valencia). Notable departures include Trent Alexander-Arnold to Real Madrid and Caoimhin Kelleher to Brentford.

Other significant moves across Premier League clubs have been reported, with teams strengthening their squads for the upcoming season.

UEFA Women's Euro 2025: The tournament concluded earlier in July, having taken place from July 2-27, 2025, in Switzerland.

FIFA Club World Cup 2025: The inaugural expanded FIFA Club World Cup in the United States concluded on July 13, 2025.

III. Tennis





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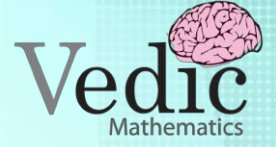
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Wimbledon 2025 Conclusion: The Championships, Wimbledon, concluded earlier in July (June 30 - July 13, 2025). Jannik Sinner defeated Carlos Alcaraz in the men's singles final to win his first Wimbledon title, marking his fourth major title overall (following two consecutive Australian Open wins).

Australian Open 2025: Earlier in the year, Jannik Sinner won his second consecutive Australian Open title, defeating Alexander Zverev in the final.

Upcoming Tournaments: The National Bank Open (ATP and WTA events) is set to begin on July 26, 2025, in Toronto and Montreal, running until August 7, 2025.

IV. Formula 1

Mid-Season Report: As of late July, the F1 2025 season has reached its mid-point.

McLaren's Dominance: McLaren has been the standout team, successfully carrying over their strong momentum from late last season and currently leading the Constructors' Championship by a significant margin. Oscar Piastri leads the Drivers' Championship, with Lando Norris in second.

Red Bull's Struggles: Red Bull Racing is experiencing a challenging season, described as their worst since 2020. The team has faced internal turmoil, including the departure of key personnel like Adrian Newey and Jonathan Wheatley, and struggled with driver consistency alongside Max Verstappen. Despite Verstappen's individual brilliance (claiming occasional victories), Red Bull is no longer the dominant force they were in previous years,

sitting fourth in the Constructors' Championship.

Ferrari and Mercedes: Ferrari has had a disappointing season relative to expectations, though they are currently second in the Constructors' Championship due to the inconsistencies of others. Mercedes has shown flashes of pace but has struggled with consistency. Charles Leclerc is fifth in the drivers' standings, while Lewis Hamilton, now at Ferrari, is yet to achieve a podium finish.

Recent Races: The Belgian Grand Prix (July 25-27, 2025) was a sprint weekend, where Oscar Piastri further extended his championship lead with a win in a delayed race. The F1 season continues with the Hungarian Grand Prix (July 31 - August 3, 2025).

V. Paris 2024 Olympic Games Legacy (Looking to 2025)

While the Paris 2024 Olympics concluded last year, its legacy initiatives are prominently in effect in July 2025:

Seine River Reopening for Swimming: A major environmental legacy, three new public swimming sites in the Seine are now open from summer 2025 (e.g., at Bras Marie, Bercy, and Grenelle), following the river's extensive cleanup for the Olympic swimming events.

Pedestrianized Pont d'Iéna: The bridge linking the Eiffel Tower to Palais de Chaillot is now largely pedestrianized, aiming to transform the city's environment.

Cultural Olympiad Continuation: Hundreds of artistic and cultural events combining art, sport, and inclusion, launched during the Games,





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continue into 2025, enriching the local cultural scene.

Fête de la Seine (July 26, 2025): A festive tribute marking the first anniversary of the Paris 2024 Games, featuring river activities, concerts, and sports demonstrations.

Olympic Heritage Grand Walk (July 20, 2025): A free cultural walk highlighting sites related to the Games.

Community Impact: Venues like the Olympic Aquatics Centre and other facilities are reopening to the public, ensuring long-term community benefits and increased sports participation.

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1. What historic feat did Australia achieve in their recent tour of West Indies?

- a) Won their first-ever Test series in the Caribbean.
- b) Whitewashed West Indies 5-0 in a five-match T20I series.
- c) Won both the Test and ODI series.
- d) Scored the highest T20I total.

Answer: b) Whitewashed West Indies 5-0 in a five-match T20I series.

The text states, "Australia has achieved a historic feat by whitewashing West Indies 5-0 in a five-match T20I series..."





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2. Where will the Men's T20 Asia Cup 2025 be held?

- a) India
- b) Pakistan
- c) United Arab Emirates (UAE)
- d) Sri Lanka

Answer: c) United Arab Emirates (UAE)

The text confirms, "...the Men's T20 Asia Cup 2025 will be held in the **United Arab Emirates (UAE)..."

3. When is the highly anticipated clash between India and Pakistan scheduled for the Asia Cup 2025?

- a) September 9
- b) September 10
- c) September 14
- d) September 28

Answer: c) September 14

The text states, "Their highly anticipated clash is scheduled for September 14."

4. Which Manchester United forward joined Barcelona on a season-long loan with an option to buy?

- a) Bruno Fernandes
- b) Marcus Rashford
- c) Jadon Sancho
- d) Anthony Martial

Answer: b) Marcus Rashford

The text clearly mentions, "Manchester United forward Marcus Rashford has joined Barcelona on a season-long loan."

5. Which two players contested the men's singles final at Wimbledon 2025?

- a) Novak Djokovic and Daniil Medvedev
- b) Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer
- c) Jannik Sinner and Carlos Alcaraz
- d) Stefanos Tsitsipas and Casper Ruud

Answer: c) Jannik Sinner and Carlos Alcaraz

The text says, "Jannik Sinner defeated Carlos Alcaraz in the men's singles final to win his first Wimbledon title..."

6. Which team is currently leading the Constructors' Championship in Formula 1 as of late July 2025?

- a) Red Bull Racing
- b) Ferrari
- c) Mercedes
- d) McLaren

Answer: d) McLaren

The text states, "McLaren has been the standout team... and currently leading the Constructors Championship by a significant margin."

7. Which Red Bull Racing personnel are mentioned as having departed, contributing to the team's struggles in F1 2025?

- a) Max Verstappen and Sergio Perez
- b) Christian Horner and Helmut Marko
- c) Adrian Newey and Jonathan Wheatley
- d) Pierre Gasly and Yuki Tsunoda

Answer: c) Adrian Newey and Jonathan Wheatley

The text notes, "...faced internal turmoil, including the departure of key personnel like Adrian Newey and Jonathan Wheatley..."

8. What is a major environmental legacy of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games mentioned as being in effect in July 2025?

- a) Construction of new Olympic stadiums.
- b) Reopening of the Seine River for public swimming.
- c) Development of a new airport.
- d) Creation of a national park.

Answer: b) Reopening of the Seine River for public swimming.





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The text highlights, "A major environmental legacy, three new public swimming sites in the Seine are now open from summer 2025..."

9. What is the name of the festive tribute marking the first anniversary of the Paris 2024 Games, held on July 26, 2025?

- a) Paris Marathon
- b) Fête de la Seine
- c) Olympic Legacy Festival
- d) Champs-Élysées Celebration

Answer: b) Fête de la Seine

The text mentions, "Fête de la Seine (July 26, 2025): A festive tribute marking the first anniversary of the Paris 2024 Games.."

10. What was the outcome of the fourth Test match between England and India at Old Trafford?

- a) England won by an innings.
- b) India won by 10 wickets.
- c) The match ended in a draw.
- d) The match was abandoned due to rain.

Answer: c) The match ended in a draw.

The text states, "The fourth Test at Old Trafford ended in a draw, leaving England leading the series 2-1."

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