

Nasrin Shahi Takes Gold at 2023 WSPS World Cup



TEHRAN – Iranian para shooter Nasrin Shahi has claimed a gold medal in the P2 - Women's 10m Air Pistol SH1 of the 2023 World

Shooting Para Sport (WSPS) World Cup.

She finished in the first place with 239.6 points.

French shooter Gaelle Edon came second with 237.1 points and the bronze medal went to Rubina Francis from India.

Faezeh Ahmadi from Iran also finished fourth in the event.

As many as 226 shooters from 41 nations are fighting out for the top places and quotas in Changwon, South Korea.

The competition serves as qualifiers for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

Iran snatches bronze medal in

ISSF World Cup Shotgun Almaty

And also at ISSF World Cup Shotgun, Iranian trap mixed team grabbed a bronze medal on the last day of Almaty.

The Iranian team including Marzieh Parvareshnia and Muhammad Hussein Parvareshnia stood in third place with 137 points and won the bronze medal of ISSF World Cup Shotgun Almaty 2023.

Kazakhstan and Turkey stood in first and second place respectively.

Another Iranian mixed team (Shiva Farahpour and Muhammad Beyranvand) ranked 11th with 130 points.

Taremi Becomes Liga Portugal's Top Goal Scorer



TEHRAN– Iranian forward Mehdi Taremi has become the top scorer in the Portuguese football league system's top level Liga Portugal.

Taremi sealed his position as top scorer in Liga Portugal's 2022-2023 edition with 22 goals after his team FC Porto finished second in the league late on Sunday.

He outperformed Gonçalo Matias Ramos of the league's winners Benfica who scored 19 goals this season.

FC Porto overpowered Vitória S.C. 3-0 on Sunday.

Taremi was nicknamed the Persian Gulf Boy after celebrating his 100th match in Porto's jersey on August 20, 2022.

Bayern Win Bundesliga With Last-Gasp Goal in Dramatic Season Finale

COLOGNE (Reuters) - Bayern Munich snatched its 11th consecutive Bundesliga title in dramatic fashion with a final day 2-1 win at Cologne on Saturday courtesy of Jamal Musiala's 89th minute goal, grabbing the trophy from the hands of rivals Borussia Dortmund.

Dortmund had gone into the last game of the season in top spot but stumbled to a 2-2 against visitors Mainz 05, allowing Bayern to squeeze past the club in the tightest league race in years.

In a climactic season finale, Bayern was celebrating what ended up being an unexpected title win while Dortmund's dreams of its first league trophy since 2012 was left in tatters when the club was trailing 2-0 to Mainz early on before battling to a 2-2 draw - but the club needed victory to become champions.



Bayern Munich's German goalkeeper Manuel Neuer lifts the trophy after the German first division Bundesliga soccer match between FC Cologne and FC Bayern Munich in Cologne, western Germany on May 27, 2023.

Bayern finished on 71 points, ahead on goal difference from Dortmund. RB Leipzig and sensational Union Berlin are third and fourth respective-

ly and will also compete in the Champions League next season.

Hertha Berlin and Schalke 04 were relegated, while VfB Stuttgart will go

into the relegation playoff.

"It is unbelievable that I experience such a title race," said Bayern's Thomas Mueller, who celebrated a league-record 12th Bundesliga title.

"People interested in football have the feeling that we do not deserve this and I clearly say I understand that because of the second half of the season being so chaotic for us.

While the title win rescues some silverware in what has been a frustrating season for Bayern, the club sacked CEO Oliver Kahn, who was not in Cologne, and sports director Hasan Salihamdzic minutes after the title win.

The surprise sacking of Julian Nagelsmann in late March and the arrival of Thomas Tuchel was not coupled with success with the team crashing out of the German Cup and the Champions League last eight and the Bayern bosses paid the price.

Dortmund's Title Dreams in Tatters After 'Brutal' Home Draw to Mainz



(From left) Dortmund's German forward Karim Adeyemi, Mainz' Norwegian defender Andreas Hanche-Olsen, Dortmund's German midfielder Julian Brandt and Mainz' German midfielder Anton Stach vie for the ball during the German first division Bundesliga soccer match between Borussia Dortmund and 1 FSV Mainz 05 in Dortmund, western Germany on May 27, 2023.

DORTMUND (Reuters) - Borussia Dortmund's dream of its first

Bundesliga title in 11 years turned into a nightmare on Saturday after a shock 2-2 home draw to Mainz 05 dropped the club to second place on goal difference in the season finale, handed the title to rivals Bayern Munich.

Dortmund had ordered more than 120,000 liters of beer according to club bosses but in the end there was nothing to celebrate for fans, players or coaching staff in one of the most bitter season endings for the Ruhr valley club.

"Congratulations to Bayern because this is the most honest title, being top after 34 matches," a teary-eyed coach Edin Terzic said. "Forgive me because it is not easy to give an analysis today but I think that not only the team, but the stadium and the city believed it.

The visitors stunned Mainz snatching the lead through Andreas Hanche-Olsen's header at the near post in the 15th minute.

Dortmund's Sebastian Haller had a golden chance to level and lift some of the mounting the pressure on his team just four minutes later but he saw his weak penalty saved. It got even worse in the 24th when Karim Onisiwo was left with far too much space in the box to drill in his header, shocking the hosts and silencing the stadium.

A second half attempted comeback did not yield immediate results, even as coach Edin Terzic brought in captain Marco Reus and striker Karim Adeyemi.

MONACO (Reuters) - Ferrari's Charles Leclerc was handed a three-place grid drop for his home Monaco Grand Prix for impeding McLaren's Lando Norris in qualifying on Saturday, meaning he will start sixth instead of third.

The penalty means also that Alpine's Esteban Ocon moves up to third and Ferrari's Carlos Sainz will start fourth.

Mercedes' seven-times Formula One world champion Lewis Hamilton will start fifth.

"Norris was on a fast lap and caught Leclerc in the middle of the tunnel and was clearly impeded," stewards said in a statement.

"Both drivers agreed that there

was little that Leclerc could have safely done in the tunnel to avoid impeding Norris, given the difficulty in vision" they added.

"In fact, the Stewards observed that Leclerc reacted in a sensible way to a blue flag displayed by the marshals, but at this point it was too late."

The stewards said, however, that Ferrari had not warned Leclerc about Norris' approach until the Briton was already directly behind.

"The Stewards believe that there is much that Leclerc could have done prior to the tunnel to avoid the impeding had he received warning from the team at an appropriate time," they added.

Ronaldo Ends Disappointing Debut Season in Saudi Empty-Handed

JEDDAH(Reuters) - Saudi Arabia's Al-Nassr could not resist the temptation to sign five-times Ballon D'Or winner Cristiano Ronaldo in January, but although the prolific Portuguese forward scored an impressive number of goals, they finished the season empty-handed.

Ronaldo's hopes of silverware ended on Saturday as Al-Ittihad clinched the league title for the first time since 2009 with one match to spare.

Ronaldo left Manchester United last year following an explosive television interview in which he said he felt betrayed by the club and did not respect their Dutch manager Erik ten Hag.

Al-Nassr stepped in to sign him until 2025 in a deal reportedly worth more than 200 million euros (\$214.61 million) to make him the world's highest-paid athlete, according to Forbes.

He scored 14 goals in 16 league games but failed to net during a 1-1 draw with Al-Ettifaq on Saturday in which he was



Al-Nassr's Portuguese forward Cristiano Ronaldo (center) is marked by Shabab players during the Saudi Pro League soccer match between Al-Nassr and Al-Shabab at the al-Awwal Park Stadium in Riyadh on May 23, 2023.

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Real Madrid's all-time leading scorer failed to impress in several key matches, often taking out his frustration on his team mates.

The first trophy to slip from his grasp was the Saudi Super Cup when his team lost 3-1

to Al-Ittihad in the semifinals in January.

"It is not easy to adapt in the first five, six or seven games. Everyone knows my movements now and I am beginning to understand the movements of the rest of the players. Step by step we can reach higher levels," Ronaldo said.

Ukraine's Kostyuk Booed After Not Shaking Hands With Belarus' Sabalenka at French Open

PARIS (AP) — At first, Aryna Sabalenka thought the boos and derisive whistles coming from the French Open crowd were directed at her after a first-round victory Sunday. Instead, the negative reaction was aimed at her opponent, Marta Kostyuk, for not participating in the usual post-match handshake up at the net.

Kostyuk, who is from Ukraine, avoided so much as any eye contact with Sabalenka, who is from Belarus, after the match, instead walking directly over to acknowledge the chair umpire. Sabalenka walked toward the net as if expecting some sort of exchange.

But this is something Kostyuk has been doing whenever she has

faced any opponent from Russia or Belarus since her country was invaded by Russia, with help from Belarus, in February 2022.

Perhaps the fans on hand at Court Philippe Chatrier did not know the backstory and figured Kostyuk simply failed to follow tennis etiquette by congratulating the winner after the lopsided result: Sabalenka grabbed six games in a row during one stretch and came out on top 6-3, 6-2.

"It was a very tough match — I would say tough emotionally," said the No. 2-seeded Sabalenka, who won her first Grand Slam title at the Australian Open in January.

During an on-court interview in the main stadium, Sabalenka told

the spectators she was sure their jeering "was against me, so I was a little surprised, but then I felt your support."

Before play began on Day 1 of the clay-court tournament, the players did not pose together for the standard photos up at the net after the coin toss to determine who would serve first.

Kostyuk, a 20-year-old who is ranked 39th, won her first WTA title in March at Austin, Texas, by beating a Russian opponent and neither player went to the net afterward that day.

During her pre-tournament news conference on Friday, Sabalenka was asked about the likelihood there would be no handshake on Sunday.