

# WIMBLEDON

## **NO ATTIRE CODE FOR FEMALE PLAYERS**

The All England Club stated that Wimbledon will permit female competitors to wear dark undershorts beginning with the 2019 competition to allay concerns about competing while on their period. There has been pressure on Wimbledon to deviate from their customary requirements that players wear only white attire. As a result, starting the next year, ladies and girls competing in the Championships will have the opportunity, if they so desire, to wear coloured undershorts. It is hoped that by removing a possible source of concern, this regulation change will assist players in concentrating solely on their performance.



CHESS

## **PRAGGNANANDHAA'S WIN AT MELTWATER CHAMPIONS TOUR**

R. Praggnanandhaa triumphed with ease over Liem Le Quang in the third round of the \$210,000 Meltwater Champions Chess Tour Finals on Wednesday after suffering several days of grief. Leim, who was buoyed by his victory against Wesley 2.5-0.5 in the previous round, played his finest game against Praggnanandhaa. The Indian adolescent took the initiative right away and never played worse in any of the three games



**ESPORTS** 

# **OLYMPIC ESPORTS WEEK TO BE HELD IN SINGAPORE IN 2023**

On Wednesday, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) officially announced Singapore as the location for the first-ever E-sports week to take place in 2023. The four-day competition will take place between June 22 and June 25, according to the IOC. The Ministry of Culture, Community, and Youth, Sport Singapore, and the Singapore National Olympic Committee will work together to organise the event. Early in 2023, information, including how to



take part in the inaugural Olympic Esports Week and Olympic Esports Series, will be made public.



## BOXING

# INDIA'S URVASHI SINGH, SARJUBALA DEVI TO TAKE PART AT PRO BOXING SHOW

Pro boxer Urvashi Singh and renowned Indian fighter Sarjubala Devi will be the main attractions of the Pro Boxing event in Colombo on November 26. ThanchanokPhanan, the reigning Thai national champion, will square off against Urvashi in a 10-round match. The WBC International Super Bantamweight title and the WBC Asia Silver title are both on the line in the bout, which is approved by the WBC.In the co-main event, Thai boxer KhwunchitKhunya (4-12) will face off against former Youth World Boxing champion Sarjubala Devi, who won silver at the 2014 AIBA World Boxing Championship in Korea

## **TABLE TENNIS**

## Manika Batra becomes 1st Indian woman to win bronze in Asian table tennis championship



Manika Batra, a prominent Indian table tennis player, became the first female Indian paddler to take home a medal at the present ITTF-ATTU Asian Cup competition on Saturday after winning the bronze medal. Hina Hayata, the three-time Asian champion and world no. 6, was defeated by her in the bronze medal match by a score of 4-2. 11-6, 6-11, 11-7, 12-10, 4-11, 11-2 were the scores when Batra overcame

her opponent. She had earlier suffered a 2-4 defeat to Mima Ito in the semifinal round (8-11, 11-7, 7-11, 6-11, 11-8, 7-11). She competed in the bronze medal match and won the medal despite losing. At Huamark Indoor Stadium in Bangkok, Thailand, the current Asian Cup is being held from November 17 to November 19.

Denmark are two favorites. Tunisia and Australia are expected to drop out. The result of this game is important. Its result will determine whether Tunisia gets an outside chance of sneaking in for the knockouts. If France defeats Australia and Tunisia gets to sneak a draw against Denmark in the opening game, a victory for Les Bleus in this one will guarantee them progression. Denmark will get to enter this contest as a must-win. France has Kylian Mbappe, Aurelien Tchouameni, and Hugo Lloris. They all are in decent form. Denmark has midfield duo Christian Eriksen and Pierre-Emile Hojbjerg, who are in good form.

## **Brazil vs. Switzerland** (Group G: Monday, November 28)

Both enter Group G as the highest-ranked teams. Brazil enters the tournament as the favorite to win it all. Switzerland is expected to qualify in second place from the group. In the best-case scenario, in which both Brazil and Switzerland win their first two games of the Group Stage, this match can decide who tops the group. Brazil has Neymar, Vinicius Junior, and Alisson in good form. Switzerland has a resurgent Granit Xhaka among their ranks.

## **Argentina vs. Mexico** (Group C: Sunday, November 27)

Argentina and their star-man Lionel Messi will enter the World Cup with burden of hope and expectations to lift the trophy. It could be Messi's last appearance at the World Cup. Mexico, on the other hand, will be expected to play the fearless brand of football. Argentina has Lionel Messi, Angel di Maria, and Julian Alvarez. Mexico has Guillermo Ochoa and Hirving Lozano.

waiting for the match when Portugal face dark-horses Uruguay. The Portuguese camp may have been moved by the recent developments surrounding Cristiano Ronaldo. However, they have world-class players. They have a great chance of winning the World Cup. Uruguay has got the attention of fans ever since their incredible squad was announced via a video. It has some young talents. Portugal has Joao Cancelo, Bruno Fernandes, and Rafael Leao while Uruguay has Federico Valverde, Darwin Nunez, and Rodrigo Bentancur.

## **DIOGO JOTA** (PORTUGAL)

The Liverpool forward will miss the tournament due to a calf injury.





# ARTHUR MELO (BRAZIL) Liverpool's

on-loan midfielder witnessed a muscle injury in October