

## sports

## Costa's late winner sends Juve to Champions League knockouts



Juventus' Brazilian forward Douglas Costa scores a goal

AFP | Moscow

Substitute Douglas Costa's injury-time winner secured Juventus their spot in the Champions League last 16 on Wednesday after a 2-1 victory over Lokomotiv Moscow.

The Brazilian winger struck a magnificent, last-gasp solo goal for the Italian champions after Aleksei Miranchuk had cancelled out Aaron Ramsey's fourth-minute opener.

Juve are three points clear of Atletico Madrid at the top of Group D ahead of the Spanish side's game at Bayer Leverkusen, who will likely battle Lokomotiv for a Europa League place.

"We have achieved the first

objective of the season. Lokomotiv were defending low but counter-attacked well in the first half," Juve captain Leonardo Bonucci said.

"We created a few chances and finally managed to earn the victory," he added.

Juve's Maurizio Sarri substituted an angry Cristiano Ronaldo during the final 10 minutes due to knee and thigh problems.

"I replaced him just because I feared he could aggravate his injury," Sarri said.

Lokomotiv coach Yuri Semin made one change from the weekend's draw at Ufa as on-loan Inter Milan midfielder Joao Mario came in for Murilo Cerqueira.

## Man City miss chance to reach knockouts as Walker ends game in goal

AFP | Milan

Manchester City missed the chance to qualify for the Champions League last 16 on Wednesday, being held to a 1-1 draw by Atalanta in a game they finished with right-back Kyle Walker in goal.

Brazilian goalkeeper Eder son was replaced at half-time with a muscle problem, before substitute Claudio Bravo was sent off in the final 10 minutes.

City had gone ahead with

an early Raheem Sterling goal on seven minutes at the San Siro, but Croatian Mario Pasalic headed in the equaliser four minutes after the break to earn his side their first Champions League point.

Man City are top of Group C with 10 points from four games, with Shakhtar Donetsk and Dinamo Zagreb both on five.

The match finished amid drama when Bravo was shown a straight red card for bringing down Josip Illicic nine minutes from time.

# BIC set for open track event

Fantastic Friday at Bahrain International Circuit with Ultimate Track Experience and Open Track Night

TDT | Manama

It's going to be a fantastic Friday at Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) with a whole day's worth of thrills and unparalleled experiences.

"The Home of Motorsport in the Middle East" will be holding two of its most popular public offerings, starting with the Ultimate Track Experience and following that up with an Open Track Night.

From 8am to 4pm, fans will be able to choose from a series of drives and passenger rides that are all under the umbrella of the Ultimate Track Experience, which will take place along BIC's 2.55-kilometre Inner Circuit.

Then, from 4pm to 11pm, speed lovers will have an opportunity to drive their very own cars or ride their motorbikes under the lights along BIC's 5.412-kilometre Grand Prix Circuit in Open Track Night.

The Ultimate Track Experience includes drives in a Clio Cup sports car and in a Radical SR1 prototype, as well as a passenger ride in an ultra-quick Radical SR3.

The Clio Cup car is a Renault-manufactured racing machine that features a 1.6-litre Turbocharged engine that



Cars on the track at BIC

can generate up to 220bhp and 6,000rpm. The drive can be purchased for BD115.5.

The Radical SR1 prototype features a 1,340cc engine which can generate 185bhp. It launches from zero to 100kph in 3.6 seconds. This drive costs BD126, and completing the Clio Cup drive is a prerequisite to taking part in the SR1 experience.

The Radical SR3 passenger ride will be conducted alongside one of BIC's highly quali-

fied driving instructors. It costs BD37.

Meanwhile, Open Track Night is expected to attract some rare sports cars and motorbikes from all over the Gulf. The cost to take part is BD94.5 for the whole night and BD68.5 for a half of the evening. There is also an option at BD31.5 for each single session.

Also available during Open Track Night are the Jaguar Experience and passenger rides in the Clio Cup and SR3.

The Jaguar Experience has been designed to ensure that all guests are given a dynamic, hands-on and memorable experience on the track in a Jaguar F-Type. Powerful, agile, and utterly distinctive, the F-Type is a true sports car and the opportunity to drive it must be fully taken advantage of. The cost for the Jaguar Experience is BD63.

The Clio Cup Passenger ride is BD26.5, while the Radical SR3 Passenger is BD37.



The Indian Schools girls' team who won the CBSE Bahrain cluster Basketball tournament with school officials. ISB girls won the Under 19 category of the championship conducted by the Asian School on 29 and 30, October. This was the fourth consecutive victory by Indian School girls. The ISB team led by Srija Gayathri defeated New Millennium School in the electrifying final.

## Rodrygo makes history as Madrid put six past Galatasaray

AFP | Madrid

Rodrygo scored a sensational hat-trick and the fastest two goals in Champions League history on Wednesday as Real Madrid humiliated Galatasaray 6-0.

The 18-year-old had his double after just six minutes and 14 seconds at the Santiago Bernabeu before teeing up Karim Benzema to make it four, after Sergio Ramos had chipped in a penalty.

Benzema then added a fifth late in the second half, leaving Rodrygo to complete his incred-

ible treble in injury-time.

"He doesn't surprise me," said Madrid coach Zinedine Zidane. "He has a bit of everything. He is intelligent, he learns very fast and wants to learn and improve."

"Physically he has to get better but technically, he knows how to do everything with the ball."

Madrid's emphatic victory means they are virtually qualified from Group A, sitting five points ahead of Club Brugge, even if Paris Saint-Germain who are top look certain to claim first place.

It means Zidane's side will



Rodrygo of Real Madrid is tackled by Mariano Ferreira of Galatasaray

likely be at the mercy of the draw when it comes to the last 16 but that is their punishment for a miserable opening defeat in Paris and an equally dispiriting draw at home to Brugge.

Yet the knock-out stages are far away and Rodrygo is the man of the moment.

After scoring the fastest ever league goal by a Real debutant in September - a sumptuous control and finish after 94 seconds - he now has his name etched into the European record books too.

"Today my dream came true," Rodrygo said.

## Icardi strike and Navas penalty save PSG through

AFP | Paris

Paris Saint-Germain were nowhere near their best but Mauro Icardi's goal and a Keylor Navas penalty save allowed the French giants to edge out Club Brugge 1-0 and secure their place in the knockout phase of the Champions League with two group matches to spare.

Icardi's close-range finish in the first half at the Parc des Princes was his eighth goal in PSG's last seven matches and it gave them a fourth straight win.