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Bahrain wins boxing championship

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Bahrain has won a friendly boxing championship after defeating Kuwait 5-4 with Bahraini fighter Abdullah Fadel being named the best boxer in the event.

Under the patronage of HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Deputy President of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports and President of Bahrain Olympic Committee, the Bahrain and Kuwait International Boxing Championship took place in Crown Plaza Hotel Conference Centre.

Organised by Bahrain Boxing Federation, the event was attended by HH Shaikh Salman bin Mohammed Al Khalifa, President of Bahrain Combat Sports Council, Mohammed Hassan Al



HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa with Bahrain team

Nisf, Secretary-General of Bahrain Olympic Committee and many guests and boxing sport enthusiasts.

On this occasion, HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa said: "We launched our vision that aims at supporting boxing

sport and it includes forming a national team who is capable of competing at the international and continental levels as well



Fighters compete during the event

as achieving important accomplishments. We want to position Bahrain at the international boxing sport map."

He further added: "We have full confidence in Bahrain Combat Sports Council under the leadership of HH Shaikh Salman bin Mohammed Al Khalifa to put in place the required mechanisms and plans to boost

the federations falling under its umbrella, especially the Boxing Federation."

Moreover, HH Shaikh Khalid praised the organisation level of the championship as well as the performances showcased during the event. He valued the efforts of Bahrain Boxing Federation and its president Ali Kazrooni and the staff members.

Riffa SC gets key away goal in draw at King Mohammed VI Champions Cup

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Bahrain Premier League champions Riffa SC travelled to Morocco for the first knockout stage of the King Mohammed VI Cup, this season's edition of the Arab Champions Cup. They faced off against Olympic Safi and came out with a credible 1-1 draw.

It was a good result for Riffa SC, who scored an away goal, which could prove crucial in the second leg. Both teams will face off once again on October 1, this time with home-field advantage for the Bahraini outfit.

Riffa SC is now in control of the tie as a simple 0-0 draw will mean qualification to the last 16 of the Arab Champions Cup.

Whoever wins the game will be qualified, a 1-1 draw will get the match to overtime, while draws with two goals or more



Riffa SC players in action during the match

will favour Olympic Safi. In the first leg, the Moroccan team scored the first goal of the match, but were then caught off track as they scored an own goal which favored the Bahrain national champions.

The result keeps the team

with a good form since they started a key partnership with KHK MMA and BRAVE Combat Federation, set to empower Bahraini football around the world and bring more awareness to the booming football scene in the Kingdom.

Federer keeps Team Europe ahead in Laver Cup with win over Kyrgios

Reuters | Geneva

Roger Federer maintained his 100% Laver Cup record against Nick Kyrgios yesterday with a thrilling 6-7(5) 7-5 10-7 victory over the Australian to give Team Europe a 5-3 lead.

Playing in front of 17,000 fans in Geneva, home favourite Federer beat Kyrgios for the

third time in as many editions of the competition to take Europe closer to the 13-point victory target ahead of the night session that features Rafael Nadal.

"It was really close that first set so it was tough to lose," 20-times Grand Slam winner Federer said.

"The crowd could feel it, I

could feel it. I needed to get some energy going but you can't do that if you don't play any good shots and Nick was playing very well.

"I was just trying to stay focused. If you can turn the momentum, the crowd gets back into it and I need some earplugs next time, it was just phenomenal!"

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