

Persian Gulf Pro League preview:

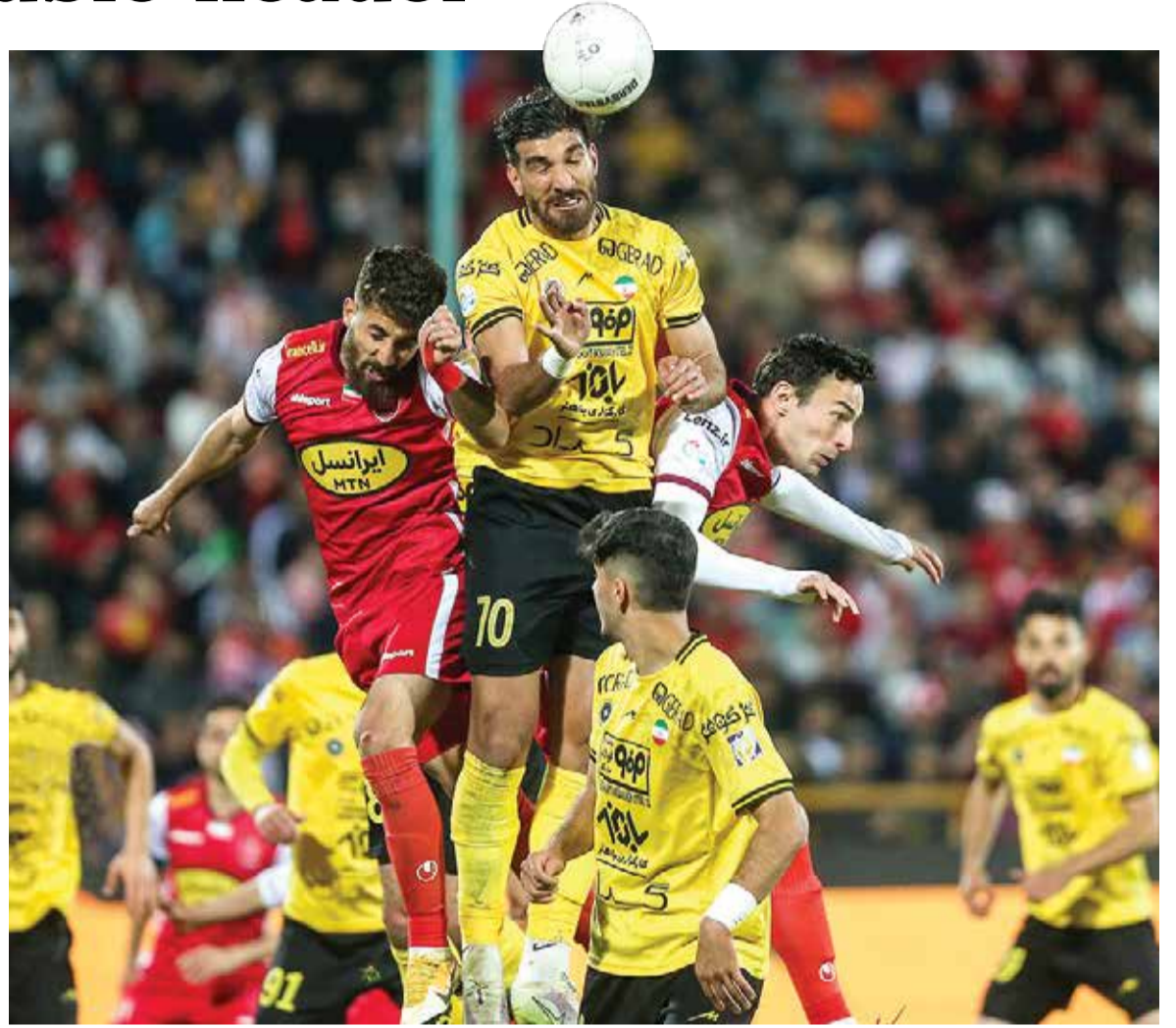
Esteghlal hosting Tractor; Persepolis visiting Sepahan in thrilling double-header

Sports Desk

Esteghlal will be looking to retain the top spot when hosting Tractor in the Persian Gulf Pro League today. Javad Nekounam's Esteghlal saw a four-game winning streak snapped in a 2-2 draw at newly-promoted Shams Azar last time out, while Tractor defeated Nassaji Mazandaran 3-0 in Tabriz to bounce back from successive losses to Shams Azar and Zob Ahan. Tractor head coach Paco Jemez will be without integral midfielder Ricardo Alves for the visit to the Azadi Stadium after the Portuguese received his marching orders deep into stoppage time against Nassaji. Esteghlal has fond memories of the last encounter between the two sides, when the Tehran-based Blues ran riot against Tractor on last season's final day, walking away with a 7-1 triumph in May. Sitting fourth in the table with 15 points, Tractor will hope to have the gap on top closed to a single point when the final whistle is blown today. Elsewhere, stakes will be high at Isfahan's Naqsh-e

Jahan Stadium on Sunday as both Sepahan and Persepolis will be seeking solace in what has been the second most important fixture in the Iranian club football calendar in recent years, following the Tehran Derby. Last season's runner-up Sepahan saw its perfect start to the campaign end in a 1-1 draw at Nassaji a fortnight ago before suffering a shock 3-2 defeat at home against Mahdi Tartar's in-form Malavan FC last week. Jose Morais's men, however, will step onto the pitch fresh from a 9-0 demolishing of AGMK in the AFC Champions League, in which prolific striker Shahriar Moghanlou was back in action and on the scoresheet after spending weeks on the sidelines with an injury. Defending champion Persepolis will also chase a first win in three domestic league outings. Yahya Golmohammadi's Reds shared the spoils in a goalless stalemate at Malavan and were then stunned by a last-gasp equalizer in a 2-2 draw against the 10-man San'at Naft Abadan in Tehran. Back-to-back draws were

followed by an untimely 1-1 scoreline away to Istiklol Tajikistan in the mid-week, leaving the Reds' chances of a knockout place in the Asian elite clubs competition hanging in the balance. Golmohammadi's squad has been hit hard by a flu over the past two weeks while international midfielder Vahid Amiri re-suffered a hamstring problem in a cameo appearance against Istiklol, expected to be ruled out for a while again. The last time the two heavyweights met in the league, Sepahan came out on top at the Azadi Stadium in April, thanks to Mohammad Karimi's stoppage-time winner, though a last meeting at the Naqsh-e Jahan ended in a 4-2 extra-time victory for the Reds in the Hazfi Cup in March. Sepahan and Persepolis have respectively been docked four and one points this season over breaching the Iranian Football Federation's financial rules. Persepolis is second in the table - one point behind its city rival - with Sepahan in eighth with 12 points, having a game in hand.



● IRNA

Iranian roller skaters win two world speed slalom golds



Iranian roller skater Romina Salek, pictured at the Hangzhou Asian Games, won the junior women's speed slalom gold at the Inline Freestyle World Championships in Shanghai, China.

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The first day of the Inline Freestyle World Championships saw three Iranian roller skaters bag three speed slalom medals - including double golds - in Shanghai, China. Representing the country in the senior men's contests, Reza Lesani clocked 4.453 seconds in the final to beat the host's Zhang Hao - a silver winner at the Hangzhou Asian Games in October - for the ultimate prize. The gold medal came as relief for the Iranian, who left Hangzhou empty-handed after a third-place defeat despite having a third-best time in the preliminary round. Romina Salek also bounced back from the Asian Games disappointment to claim the gold medal in the junior wom-

en's event on her return to China. A world-record holder in the women's category with 4.254 seconds - established at the Asian Games - Salek defeated Yao Yixuan by milliseconds in Thursday's final - registering 4.756 seconds against the Chinese's 4.785. Salek was unlucky to miss out on the podium in Hangzhou, falling short in the bronze medal race. Meanwhile, Taraneh Ahmadi, who stole the headlines in the Iranian media when she won a precious silver in the Asian Games, had to settle for a bronze in the senior women speed slalom competition. Asian Games champion Liu Chiao-Hsi of the Chinese Taipei defeated her compatriot Ting Yu-En - bronze winner in Hangzhou - for the gold. Iranian Mojdeh Sha'bani finished fifth in the women's speed slalom contests.

Iranian Kiani claims gold at WT President's Cup

Sports Desk

Nahid Kiaini won a gold medal at the 2023 World Taekwondo President's Cup - Asian region, with three other Iranians taking a bronze in Amman, Jordan. The reigning world champion Kiani came out on top against the Chinese Taipei's Su Po-Ya in the women's -53kg final, collecting 40 points to edge closer to securing a berth at next year's Paris Olympics. Mobina Ne'matzadeh was beaten by Kiani in an all-Iranian semifinal and took the bronze of the weight class. In the men's competitions, Mehran Barkhordari - a bronze medalist in the Asian Games in September - finished on the third podium of the -87kg event after a last-four defeat against high-profile South Korean Kang Sang-hyun. Abolfazl Zandi also left the Jordanian capital with a bronze following a semifinal loss in the men's -58kg class. More than 400 contestants took part at the fifth edition of the event.



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