



Athletes compete in the women's 20km walk at the 2010 European Athletics Championships at the Olympic Stadium in Barcelona on July 28, 2010.



Kazakhstan's Andrey Golubev returns the ball to Austria's Jurgen Melzer during the men's final tennis match of the ATP German Open in the northern German city of Hamburg on July 25, 2010. Golubev won the match 6-3, 7-5.



Sri Lanka cricket captain Kumar Sangakkara raises his bat as he is applauded by the crowd after completing his seventh double century to level himself with Wally Hammond of England. Only Australian legend Don Bradman (12) and West Indian Brian Lara (nine) have more scores of 200 or more. He scored 219 runs at the second day of the second Test match between Sri Lanka and India at The Sinhalese Sports Club Ground in Colombo on July 27, 2010.

# Sports action around the globe

When the spin wizard Muttiah Muralitharan retired from Test Cricket, he kept his name by becoming the only cricketer to claim 800 Test wickets. Here, his fans marching in Galle expressing the support to the world's greatest bowler last week. Picture by Mahinda Vilhanachchi



Great Britain's Dwain Chambers competes to win the first round of the men's 100m at the 2010 European Athletics Championships at the Olympic Stadium in Barcelona on July 27, 2010.

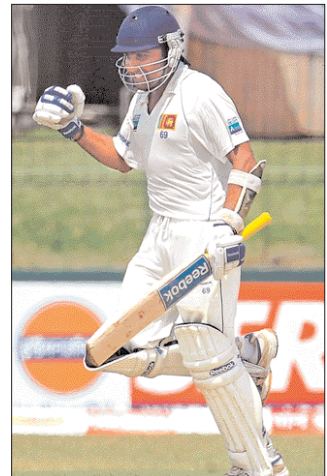
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Ireland's Victoria Pena competes during the women's pole vault qualifications at the 2010 European Athletics Championships at the Olympic Stadium in Barcelona on July 28, 2010.



French national football team striker Gael Kakuta fights for the ball during UEFA under 19 semi-final match France versus Croatia, at the d'Ornano stadium on July 27, 2010 in Caen, northwestern France. France won 2-1.



Sri Lanka cricketer Mahela Jayawardene celebrates scoring a century during the second day of the second Test match between Sri Lanka and India. Jayawardene's 10th three-figure knock at the SSC is the most by a batsman at a single ground, surpassing Bradman's tally of nine at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.