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### Ecuador 1 – 2 Senegal

It was the African side who grabbed the win and with it booked their place in the knockout stages. Watford star Ismaila Sarr broke the deadlock just before half time before Moises Caicedo of Brighton levelled things up after the break. It was another man who plys their league trade in England who scored the winner in Chelsea summer signing Kalidou Koulibaly. The result means The Lions make it out of the group stage for the time in 20 years and perhaps more impressively it is the first victory for an African nation against a South American side in a World Cup since 1990, halting a 21 game winless run.

### Netherlands 2 – 0 Qatar

The Dutch cruised to victory in the other Group A fixture to confirm a hattrick of defeats for the hosts. Cody Gakpo again on the scoresheet this time alongside Frenkie De Jong to confirm the Oranje go through as group winners. Unsurprisingly Qatar now have another unwanted record as the worst performing host nation at a World Cup finals.

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### Iran 0 – 1 USA

A goal from the Yank's main man Christian Pulisic proved the difference between the two sides as the Americans leapfrog Iran to qualify for the next stage. The game's only goalscorer was injured in the act however and is now a doubt for their upcoming clash with the Netherlands as he was taken to hospital after the game. The USA dominated the opening 45 minutes with 9 shots on the Iranian goal while a lacklustre Iran failed to muster anything goal bound. The second half proved naturally more open with Iran needing to score if they wanted to go through but despite a late set piece opportunity they bow out at the group stage in third place.

### Wales 0 – 3 England

One of the tastiest encounters on paper of the group stages played out last night in an all British affair. A polite first half ended goalless with Marcus Rashford's early attempt smartly stopped by a mobile Danny Ward in the Welsh goal being the pick of the chances. With Wales needing to win to stand a chance of qualification, it was building into a tense finale going into the second half however ten minutes into the second period the Dragon's dream had been all but extinguished thanks to a Rashford free kick and a Phil Foden follow up to make it two nil almost before you could say Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwlllantysiliogogoch. The Manchester United player closed the scoring mid way through the half to cement England as group winners and surely put himself well in contention for a starting place against Senegal on Sunday?

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## Page speaks of next chapter

After the defeat, Wales boss Rob Page was quick to defend his men, who represented the nation in the finals for the first time in 64 years. "I couldn't be more proud of them, honestly. To get here is a massive achievement" were his words post game and there's no doubting the experience many of the young players on show in Qatar will be keen to have the opportunity to get on the world stage again in four years time.



## Results

A new leader has emerged in **Andrew Pritchard** but with 12 group stages matches left plus the knockout stages, there's still plenty of time for things to change. Yesterday was a strong day for many but three players collected a mammoth 37 points out of 40, well played: **Luke Vickers**, **Sharon Royston** and **Larisa Wood**.

Sadly, it was a different story for **Michael O'Donnell**, who was the only player to lose points on the day and as a result has slashed his odds on collecting the wooden spoon at the end of the competition.

### George Metcalf

Ranking	Player	Points	Daily Ranking Change	Daily Points Change
1	Andrew Pritchard	160	+2	+25
2	Mark Warnes	151	-1	+12
3	Oliver Nicholls	149	+1	+25
4	Andrew Hall	147	+3	+25
4	Dan Chapman	147	-2	+11
6	Gary Symons	146	+8	+35
6	Mara Aleixo	146	-1	+23
6	Steve Higginbottom	146	+2	+26
9	James Gardner	145	-1	+25
10	James Milligan	143	+5	+33
10	Matthew Allen	143	-	+24
12	Emma Robinson	139	-7	+16
13	Rob Walker	138	+7	+35
14	Craig Moran	137	-1	+25
15	Eddie Hopkin	134	-4	+17
15	Tim Jones	134	-3	+21
17	Ashraf Mitha	133	+8	+34
18	Ross Bennett	132	-2	+23
19	Luke Vickers	130	+14	+37
19	Usman Asif	130	-2	+23
21	Sharon Royston	129	+18	+37
22	Richard Stoddart	128	-2	+25
23	Dan Jinks	125	+20	+35
23	Stan Hutchinson	125	+24	+36
25	Neil Kennedy	124	+3	+26
25	Tim Poil	124	-	+25
27	Duncan Carter	123	-3	+23
27	John Stock	123	+22	+35
27	Larisa Wood	123	+26	+37
30	Daniel Sirl	122	-12	+16
30	Mel Wilson	122	-5	+23
32	Paul Marriott	120	+7	+28
33	Jasper Ellis	119	-13	+16
34	Ed Winstanley	118	-1	+25
34	Nick Saxton	118	-15	+13
34	Wendy Ludman	118	-1	+25
37	Amrita Dasgupta	117	+6	+27
37	Marcus Johansson	117	-4	+24



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39	George Hinkley	116	+20	+36
39	George Kennedy	116	+18	+35
39	Stephen Kilgannon	116	-	+24
42	John Small	115	-	+24
42	Talha Gulzar	115	-9	+22
44	John McLeod	114	+15	+34
45	Bailey Coe	113	+4	+25
45	George Metcalf	113	-2	+23
47	Charlotte White	111	-18	+14
47	Stuart Briely	111	-4	+21
49	Charlotte Adshead	109	-19	+13
49	Eesha Savani	109	-19	+13
49	Michael Johnson	109	+16	+32
52	Henry Tapper	108	+2	+24
52	Ian Metcalf	108	+4	+25
54	Olly Roper	106	-21	+13
55	Josh Titley	105	-23	+11
56	Darren Goodall	103	-7	+15
56	George Bilsby	103	+7	+25
58	Chris Williams	102	-11	+13
59	Tim Barlow	101	-36	-
59	Toni Johnson	101	+8	+25
61	Jamie McLeod	100	-7	+16
61	Katie Sutton	100	+4	+23
61	Max Mauchline	100	+8	+25
64	Jonathan Hugh	99	-1	+21
65	Peter Norman	98	+18	+36
66	Chris Marson	96	-9	+15
66	Mark Rowlinson	96	+17	+34
66	Sean Delaney	96	+20	+35
69	Derek Allen	94	+3	+22
69	Zoe Sadler	94	-17	+7
71	Hilary Salt	93	+5	+24
71	Lance Havell	93	-12	+13
73	Chas Goddard	91	-14	+11
74	Bex Thompson	90	+3	+24
74	James Saxton	90	-7	+14
76	Joe Bronstein	89	+5	+26
76	William Rose	89	+12	+34
78	Graham Edmonds	88	+1	+23
78	Rob Young	88	-7	+15
80	Ivan Taylor	87	-11	+12
81	Owen Adams	86	+9	+34
82	Katie Morgan	85	-9	+14
82	Michael Garland	85	+5	+26
84	Claire Herbert	84	-1	+22
85	Benjamin Robinson	83	-12	+12
85	Richard Noutch	83	-10	+13
87	Sam Ashworth	81	+5	+34
88	Phil Mann	78	-11	+12





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89	James Allen	76	-8	+13
90	Kieran Armstrong	75	-	+23
91	Mike Common	69	-2	+16
92	Dale Walmsley	67	-12	+3
93	Andy Wyatt	45	-	+1
94	Michael O'Donnell	7	-	-8