

US Open champion seals landmark win for Russia Medvedev digs deep for Davis Cup delight

By SAM LOVETT

RUSSIA took an unassailable 2-0 lead over Croatia in the Davis Cup final in Madrid yesterday to secure their third title and first in 15 years, as Daniil Medvedev outlasted Croatian Marin Cilic 7-6(7) 6-2.

Reigning US Open champion Medvedev had to produce his best tennis to survive a tense first set Cilic sent across nine forehand winners and won nearly three-quarters of his service points.

The awed crowd inside Madrid

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Arena was reduced to pin-drop silence as the 1.98-metre titans went into a tiebreak, where Medvedev relied on his backhand to prevail despite a double fault.

Cilic showed signs of fatigue in the second set as the world No2 broke his serve in the fourth game before running away with the momentum, dropping just one of his first-serve points.

'I'm more happy for the team than for myself,' Medvedev said.

'I'm just happy to be part of this team and be able to bring the points.'

Medvedev got a standing ovation from the crowd and made peace with the Spanish fans following a week of animosity after Russia



Great racket: Daniil Medvedev and his Russian teammates celebrate victory at the Madrid Arena

eliminated Spain in the group stage of the finals.

'I loved the atmosphere. It was a really amazing two weeks because it's never easy to come here in the end of the season and compete. For sure it was the best two weeks of my career,' Medvedev said.

Earlier world No5 Andrey Rublev beat Borna Gojo 6-4 7-6(5) to give the Russian Federation a 1-0 lead.

Russia's third title equals the Czech Republic and Germany in seventh place on the all-time list of Davis Cup winners.

World No279 Gojo entered the match as the big surprise of the tournament and a favourite of the Spanish crowd.

He was unbeaten in the finals with three victories over world No61 Alexei Popyrin of Australia, No27 Lorenzo Sonego of Italy, and No33 Serbian Dusan Lajovic.

But Rublev played a near-flawless match, overpowering Gojo with strong serving to keep the Croatian on the back foot.

Gojo battled hard but Rublev broke his serve at the fourth

attempt before taking the opening set in 35 minutes.

Gojo fired down 11 aces, and the second set went to 6-6 before Rublev edged the tiebreaker to clinch victory.

'It was tough and I felt a lot of pressure, but it's good to put my country in the lead,' Rublev said.

Russia are the fourth nation to win both Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup titles, after the women's team won that event in Prague last month with a 2-0 victory over Switzerland in the final.

Hovland pounces to be a real Hero

GOLF

By ROBERT GORMAN

AMERICAN Collin Morikawa squandered a five-shot lead and the chance to become world No1 as Viktor Hovland emerged victorious from the final round of the Hero World Challenge.

Hovland began the day six off the pace but carded a closing 66, including eagles on the 14th and 15th, at Albany to secure his third title of the season.

The 24-year-old Norwegian bogeyed the last two holes to finish 18 under par, a shot ahead of American Scottie Scheffler.

'I didn't think a win was going to be very possible but I know this golf course is tricky,' Hovland told the Golf Channel.

'You can make a lot of birdies and make up a lot of ground but it's very easy to make bogeys and doubles and I knew if I put a good score up there you never know what's going to happen.'

Morikawa, who would have replaced Jon Rahm at the top of the world rankings with a win, double bogeyed the fourth and sixth after losing a ball in dense bushes on each hole.

The 24-year-old also duffed a chip on the ninth, in a front nine of 41 and eventually he signed for a closing 76 to finish in a tie for fifth place.

Rory McIlroy signed off with a round of 70 to finish in 18th place, 12 shots behind Hovland.

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SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL
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FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
Planning permission is sought by Ronan & Jayne Ryan for development at No. 175 Howth Road, Sutton, Dublin 13, D13 P3K0. The development will consist of: (i) Demolition of the existing bay window to the rear, and attached shed to the side of existing dwelling; (ii) The construction of a single storey flat roof extension to the side and rear of existing dwelling; (iii) Change of roof of the rear first floor dormer roof to flat roof; (iv) Alterations to all elevations, and rooflights. All with associated landscaping and ancillary works necessary to facilitate development. The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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