



The Weekend Scorecard: 12 ? 14 September 2025

Description

The Synopsis

September 13, 2025 ushered in the new, Ring Magazine and Undisputed Super Middleweight Champion of the World, Terence "Bud" Crawford. Destiny in sports, that unexplainable force which seems to script outcomes beyond logic, appears to have played its hand once again. Because [legend has it that when Terrence was born, he came out the womb, he came out with his hands bowled up and when his father saw him, he said "We have a million-dollar baby boy."](#)

More than being a million-dollar earner as evidenced by his [\\$50 million](#) pay day in his fight against Canelo, Bud has proven himself to be a truly one-in-a million fighter. Across his career, Terrence has held 18 different world championships in five different weight classes. And in this [four-belt era](#), Terrence is the undisputed champion across the major recognized belts in boxing namely the WBC, WBA, IBF and WBO. With this win, joins Henry Armstrong as the second-ever male three weight undisputed champion, meaning he is the undisputed champion in three different weight divisions(Jr Welterweight, Welterweight and Super Middleweight).

Against the back drop of a long list of boxing achievements, which include a fighting record of 42 ? 0 and recognition as the best boxer of the year on several platforms including the Sugar Ray Robinson Award and the ESPYs, Terrence will go down as one of the best boxers to have ever played the sport. The most recent debate since his victory on Saturday is [whether Terrence is the best of all time?](#) In the opinion of others, he must pass the test of "Greatest of his era?", whilst for others, he has already earned the title of ["Best Fighter of the planet"](#).

Whatever your opinion is, one thing that is undeniable: Terrence was born September 28, 1997, on Larimore Avenue in a rough part of Omaha Nebraska. He beat the odds of an impoverished environment and a troubled childhood to become one of Boxing's greatest fighters and ambassadors. His numbers speak for themselves, but in my opinion, his ability to [harness](#) his inner rage and couple that with the technique and art of boxing speaks higher volumes for what can truly be achieved through the power of sport and more so for it's ability to change one's life.

Meanwhile in other Sports

Athletics

- [Beatrice Chebet wins women's 10,000m](#) ? She held off strong challengers like Nadia Battocletti and Gudaf Tsegay to take gold.
- [Ryan Crouser wins men's shot put](#) ? Crouser claimed his third world title in the event despite dealing with an elbow issue.
- [Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone runs a very fast 400m semi-final](#) ? She posted 48.29 seconds, setting a new American record during the semis.
- [Ditaji Kambundji surprises in women's 100m hurdles](#) ? She won gold with a national record (12.24s), in a field including the reigning champions and favorites.
- [Isaac Nader stuns in men's 1500m Final](#) ? He took gold in 3:34.10, just ahead of Jake Wightman and Kenya's Reynold Cheruiyot.
- [Faith Cherotich wins women's 3,000m steeplechase](#) ? She overtook defending champion Winfred Yavi on the last lap, crossing in a championship record time of 8:51.59.
- [Katie Moon claims third consecutive world title in pole vault](#) ? Cleared 4.90m, continuing her dominance in the pole vault

Rugby

- **Redemption for the Springboks:** Springboks bounce back and send a strong message to even each other out on the Rugby Championship Standings at 10-points a piece.
- **Women's Rugby World Cup Quarter Final Results:**
 - New Zealand (46) : South Africa (17)
 - France (18) : Ireland (13)
 - Canada (46) : Australia (5)
 - England (40) : Scotland (8)
- **Carling Black Label Currie Cup Semi Final Results:**
 - Suzuki Griquas (26) : Toyota Cheetahs (5)
 - Fidelity ADT Lions (67) : Sanlam Boland Cavaliers (19)

Cricket

- **South Africa vs England T20I series:** England smashed South Africa by **146 runs** in the second men's T20I at Old Trafford. Key performances: Phil Salt scored 141* (his highest in T20Is)

for England and highest T20), and their batting attack posted 304/2 in 20 overs, which is their highest T20 score ever.

- **ASIA CUP:**
 - Sri Lanka victorious over Bangladesh in the Asia Cup fixture.
 - India defeated Pakistan in their Group A match.

Football

- **Manchester Derby:** Manchester City thrashed Manchester United **3-0** in the derby at the Etihad.
- **MTN8 Final:** Orlando Pirates etched their name into history with a fourth straight MTN8 title, while Stellenbosch FC battled bravely in their maiden final.
- **La Liga:**
 - Barça demolished Valencia **6-0** at home.
 - Real Madrid beat Real Sociedad **2-1**, even after being down to 10 men for most of the match.
 - Atlético Madrid picked up their first win of the season with a **2-0** victory over Villarreal.
- **Premier League:**
 - Arsenal beat Nottingham Forest **3-0**.
 - Liverpool edged Burnley **1-0** with a late, stoppage-time penalty from Mohamed Salah.
 - Tottenham won **3-0** away at West Ham United.



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NBA ? LA Clippers under Investigation



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The Kawhi Leonard scandal has rocked the NBA, centering on a \$28 million endorsement deal with the now-defunct company, Aspiration. According to investigative journalist [Pablo Torre](#), Leonard's contract required no actual work, raising suspicions that it was a scheme to circumvent the NBA's salary cap. Aspiration, partly funded by Clippers owner Steve Ballmer, allegedly funneled money to Leonard without him fulfilling promotional [obligations](#).

The NBA has launched an investigation, hiring the law firm Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz to examine potential violations. Commissioner Adam Silver emphasized the league's commitment to a thorough and fair process, stating, [?This investigation will take time?](#). In defense, Ballmer has denied any wrongdoing, asserting he was unaware of the deal's structure and welcomed the [NBA's inquiry](#)

The outcome of this investigation could have significant implications for the Clippers and the broader NBA, potentially leading to penalties such as fines, suspensions, or loss of draft picks

Upcoming Events

- **World Athletics Championship** continues in Tokyo this weekend. [Full Schedule here.](#)
- **Golf:** DP World Tour French Open, 18 ? 21 September 2025
 - The Ryder Cup, 26 ? 28 September 2025.
- **Rugby:** Women's World Cup semi-final fixtures:
 - New Zealand v Canada on Friday, 19 September 2025.
 - France v England on Saturday, 20 September, 2025.
- **The Merseyside Derby:** Liverpool take on Everton on Saturday, 20 September 2025
- **Jingshan Tennis Open 2025 Women's Singles**, 22 ? 29 September 2025.
- **F1:** Azerbaijan Grand Prix at the Baku City Circuit on Sunday, 21 September 2025.

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