Tessa: WELCOME TO "SPORTSCENTRE."

CANADA/AUSTRALIA, WOMEN'S WORLD CUP, ALL CANADA NEEDED WAS TO DRAW TO GUARANTEE ITS SPOT IN THE KNOCKOUT STAGE.

No reigning Olympic Champions have ever failed to get out of their group at the Women's World Cup.

The Aussies pressuring in the opening minutes.

Caitlin Foord playing the ball down the wing for Stephanie Catley.

The cross finds Hayley Raso who controlled before burying it across the goal.

But the play immediately called offside.

After VAV check, it was ruled the ball was on side.

So just nine minutes in, the hosts have a 1-nil lead over Canada, and the Matildas not done with the threat.

Carpenter collides with Kadeisha Buchanan.

No call.

Once again, this one needing VAR.

This time it's against Australia as the foot of Carpenter just slightly offside.

So it's ruled a no goal.

P a lifeline for the Canadians.

Who haven't missed a World Cup knockout stage in twelve years, but Australia looking to get the goal back minutes later.

Sheridan comes together...

Tessa: TWO GOALS IN JUST 30 MINUTES FOR RASO.

A dream for Australia to go up 2-nil.

Sam Kerr loving it from the bench.

It didn't get better in the second.

Long blow down field...
2023-07-31T18:02:16.6649344-04:00 Fowler still moving forward,
2023-07-31T18:02:19.835392-04:00 waiting for the delivery...
2023-07-31T18:02:23.372032-04:00 Australia add a third!
2023-07-31T18:02:27.0410752-04:00 >> Tessa: Wow, Foord setting up
2023-07-31T18:02:29.644864-04:00 Fowler to make it a three-goal lead.
2023-07-31T18:02:30.2131584-04:00 Canada conceding three goals in a world cup match for the first time since 2011.
2023-07-31T18:02:33.51552-04:00 Now looking for some kind of offense, Evelyn Vance passes to Deanne Ross, but her shot is saved.
2023-07-31T18:02:38.4526848-04:00 The first shot on target and it comes in the 66th minute.
2023-07-31T18:02:42.9000568-04:00 They'd be held off the board.
2023-07-31T18:02:44.6600576-04:00 A heartbreaking defeat for the reigning Olympic champs who are the highest ranked team to exit the tournament so far while cohorts Australia advance to the knockout stage.
2023-07-31T18:02:45.2605568-04:00 So Australia taking this one 4-nil.
2023-07-31T18:02:49.4644864-04:00 That fourth goal coming on a penalty.
2023-07-31T18:02:50.6994176-04:00 Canada managed to score just two goals in the group stage, one of which was an Irish-owned goal in the second game.
2023-07-31T18:02:52.5334528-04:00 This is Canada's 15th loss at the Women's World Cup, second most all-time by Nigeria who had lost 19.
2023-07-31T18:02:53.9015168-04:00 As we welcome you inside "SportsCentre," hello, everyone, I'm Tessa Bonhomme.
2023-07-31T18:02:55.969984-04:00 "So Canada leaves the world cup early and many are shocked. With that loss, many Canadians may have watched Christine Sinclair's final appearance at a World Cup."
2023-07-31T18:03:01.0779392-04:00 Claire Hanna caught up with her post game.
2023-07-31T18:03:03.1770752-04:00 >> Feel for the team, feel for my teammates and the staff.
2023-07-31T18:03:04.1456128-04:00 Yeah, we put a lot of, you know,
PRESSURE ON OURSELVES, A LOT OF EXPECTATIONS HEADING IN TO THIS TOURNAMENT, AND YEAH, IT ALL KIND OF FELL APART TONIGHT.

I SAW YOU HUG EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR TEAM TONIGHT ON THE FIELD THERE BEFORE YOU LEFT THE FIELD. WHAT WAS YOUR MESSAGE TO THEM?

I JUST LOVE THEM ALL. YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE ME CRY. JUST WE GO THROUGH EVERYTHING TOGETHER, YOU KNOW. WINNING AND LOSING, IT'S ALL PART OF THE GAME, IT'S WHY WE LOVE THIS SPORT.

AND, YEAH, WE'VE ALWAYS SAID WE'RE FAMILY AND WE DO IT TOGETHER, WHETHER WE WIN AN OLYMPIC GOLD MEDAL OR LOSE IN THE GROUP STAGE OF THE WORLD CUP, WE DO IT TOGETHER.

I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY WORDS FOR HOW WE'RE FEELING RIGHT NOW. WE'RE SHOCKED, DISAPPOINTED. I THINK THERE'S A BIT OF A FEELING THAT WE LEFT CANADA DOWN.

IT'S SO LOUD IN THE STADIUM. TO THOSE FROM AUSTRALIA, THEY CAME OUT FIRING.

FOOTBALL CAN BE CRUEL SOMETIMES, AND I THINK TONIGHT IT WAS CRUEL. WE GOT PUNISHED, WE GOT AN EARLY GOAL, AND I THINK THE TEAM LACKED BELIEF AND I WAS WITH THEM RIGHT TO THE VERY END.

WE KEPT PUSHING, WE MADE CHANGES AND IT JUST WASN'T OUR NIGHT TONIGHT.

Tessa: HERE'S A LOOK AT HOW GROUP B, THE GROUP OF DEATH SHAPED OUT, CANADA FALLING SHORT, SITTING IN THIRD PLACE.

OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALLISTS TO EVER FAIL TO MAKE THE KNOCKOUT ROUND OF THE TOURNAMENT.

EVERY PREVIOUS GOLD MEDAL WINNER HAD GONE ON TO MAKE AT LEAST THE QUARTER FINALS.

WITH MORE, LET'S HEAD TO LINDSAY HAMILTON.
ALONGSIDE FORMER CANADIAN INTERNATIONALS, CLARE RUSTAD AND CARMELINA MOSCATO, A DREAM SCENARIO FOR AUSTRALIA AND A NIGHTMARE FOR CANADA. A 4-NIL VICTORY IN FRONT OF A HOME CROWD FOR AUSTRALIA.

THEM MORE THREATENING IN A MYRIAD OF WAYS AND THE FIRST GOAL IN THE FIRST TEN MINUTES AND THEN THE ONSLAUGHT CONTINUED.

FOR CANADA, WHAT WENT WRONG? THERE WERE A FEW THINGS.

WE TALKED ABOUT THE KEYS TO THIS MATCH AND THEY WERE GOING TO BE REALLY CRITICAL FOR CANADA TO HAVE A GOOD START.

THAT GOAL WAS DEFLATING IN THE WAY OF MOMENTUM.

THE FIRST GOAL CAME FROM A LOOSE POSSESSION IN A DANGEROUS AREA THAT LED TO A GOAL SCORING OPPORTUNITY.

THEM DIDN'T HUNT WELL ENOUGH, THEY DIDN'T REGAIN THE BALL BACK.

WE KNEW THAT BOTH TEAMS WERE (indiscernible) ONSET PIECES AND AUSTRALIA DELIVERED WITH RASO ON FIRE.

WINNING THE MIDFIELD, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

HERE YOU SEE MARY FOWLER RUNNING PAST SOPHIE SCHMIDT FOR THE THIRD GOAL AND THE FOURTH ONE WAS JUST THE NAIL IN THE COFFIN.

THE FOURTH PENALTY KICK BY STEPHANIE CATLEY PUTTING IT AWAY, HER 2-2, DELIVERING UNDER PRESSURE AND SHE DID WHAT SHE NEEDED TO DO FOR THIS COUNTRY.

SHE'S CAPTAIN, AND I THOUGHT THAT WAS A CRAZY WAY FOR AUSTRALIA TO END THIS MATCH.

ENTERED THIS MATCH WITH THEIR FATE IN THEIR OWN HANDS.

THEM NEEDED SIMPLY A DRAW OR A WIN IN ORDER TO ADVANCE.

YOU CAN'T WIN A SOCCER MATCH WITHOUT SCORING GOALS AND CANADA WITH ONLY THREE SHOTS ON TARGET.

THAT WAS A CRITICAL PROBLEM,
WASN'T IT?

>> I THINK PART OF THE PROBLEM WAS THEIR INABILITY TO POSSESS THE BALL IN THE PARK.

THE MIDFIELD COULD NOT FIND THE POCKETS AND SPACES AND GET THEIR FEET ON THE BALL.

THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO BE CREATIVE.

THE KEY PARTNERSHIP WAS GOING TO BE CHRISTINE SINCLAIR AND JESSIE FLEMING, BUT JESSIE FLEMING WAS NOT ABLE TO PICK UP THE BALL.

IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO WATCH AND MAINTAIN THE POSSESSION IN THE MIDFIELD.

I THOUGHT QUINN WAS GETTING IN TO GOOD SPACES, BUT THE BACK FOUR FOR CANADA WERE UNABLE TO FIND THEM AND THEY HAD TO COME A LOT DEEPER AND PICK THE BALL UP WITHIN THE BACK FOUR.

IT REALLY STRETCHED THE MIDFIELD.

THEY WERE UNABLE TO CONNECT WITH THE FRONT THREE.

THE FRONT THREE NOT PLAYING AS A UNIT AND UNABLE TO BE DANGEROUS AND CREATE A LOT OF GOOD CHANCES.

I FULLY AGREE WITH THEM PLAYING THAT SCHEDULE, PLAYING TOP TEN TEAMS, GAINING THE LEARNINGS, UNDERSTANDING WHAT IT TAKES TO BE ON THE WORLD STAGE AT THIS LEVEL, WITH THIS PRESSURE, BUT IT DIDN'T TRANSFER.

I THINK IT'S TIME FOR THEM TO LOOK AT THE NEXT GENERATION.

AS WE KNOW, THERE WILL BE A LOT OF RETIREMENTS, AND, YOU KNOW, IT'S A REVAMP AND A REALLY BIG GOING BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD.
AND UNDERSTANDING WHERE THIS WENT WRONG.

>> IT'S HARD TO DEMAND THAT RESPECT WHEN YOU'RE NOT CONSISTENT UP FRONT.

TEAMS FEAR PLAYERS LIKE SOPHIA SCHMIDT, BUT THEY DON'T FEAR CANADA'S FRONT THREE AND THAT'S A BIG COMPONENT OF THAT RESPECT.

Lindsay: A HEARTBREAKING EXIT FOR CANADA.

THEY ENTERED 7th IN THE FIFA RANKINGS AND NOW THE HIGHEST RANKED TEAM TO XET THE TOURNAMENT AS THE WORLD CUP JOURNEY COMES TO AN END.

Tessa: THANK YOU, LADIES. HERE'S THE LATEST SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY AT THE WOMEN'S WORLD CUP POWERED BY FANDUEL.

THE FAVOURITES, USA, PLAY THEIR FINAL GROUP STAGE MATCH AGAINST PORTUGAL LOOKING TO CLOSE OUT GROUP "E."

NETHERLANDS AND VIETNAM.

DENMARK FACES HAITI.

>>> SOME BASEBALL WHERE THE TORONTO BLUE JAYS OPEN UP A FOUR-GAME SERIES AGAINST THE A.L. EAST LEADING ORIOLES.

THIS IS A BIG TEST FOR THE JAYS AS THEY HOPE TO CLOSE THE GAP ON BALTIMORE.

THEY'RE CURRENTLY FIVE AND A HALF GAMES BACK, BUT IF THEY MANAGE TO SWEEP THE FOUR-GAME SERIES, THEY WOULD WALK AWAY ONE AND A HALF GAMES BACK, WHICH ISN'T NECESSARILY IMPOSSIBLE.

THE JAYS HAVE BEEN PLAYING.600 BALL SINCE THE TWO TEAMS MET BACK ON JUNE 15th.

>> EVERY SERIES IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT AND YOU HAVE TO TAKE IT ONE AT A TIME, BUT, YEAH, I THINK JUST FROM, YOU KNOW, DIVISION STANDPOINT, YOU KNOW, THINGS WILL BE A LITTLE MORE MAGNIFIED THIS WEEK.

THERE'S A LOT OF TEAMS IN THIS DIVISION THAT CAN SAY THE SAME THING NOW TODAY THAN THEY DID A MONTH AGO.

I THINK IT'S UP FOR GRABS FOR
ANYONE, REALLY, AND EVERYTHING
WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS RIGHT IN FRONT OF US AND SHOULD MAKE FOR AN EXCITING SERIES HERE.
YOU GET FOUR AGAINST REALLY GOOD TEAM AND US BEING REALLY GOOD TEAM.
YEAH, WE'RE EXCITED FOR THE OPPORTUNITY AHEAD.
>> Tessa: ALL RIGHTY, LET'S GO BY THE NUMBERS TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT THE SERIES.
THE BLUE JAYS ARE 7-20 AGAINST A.L. EAST TEAMS ON THE SEASON.