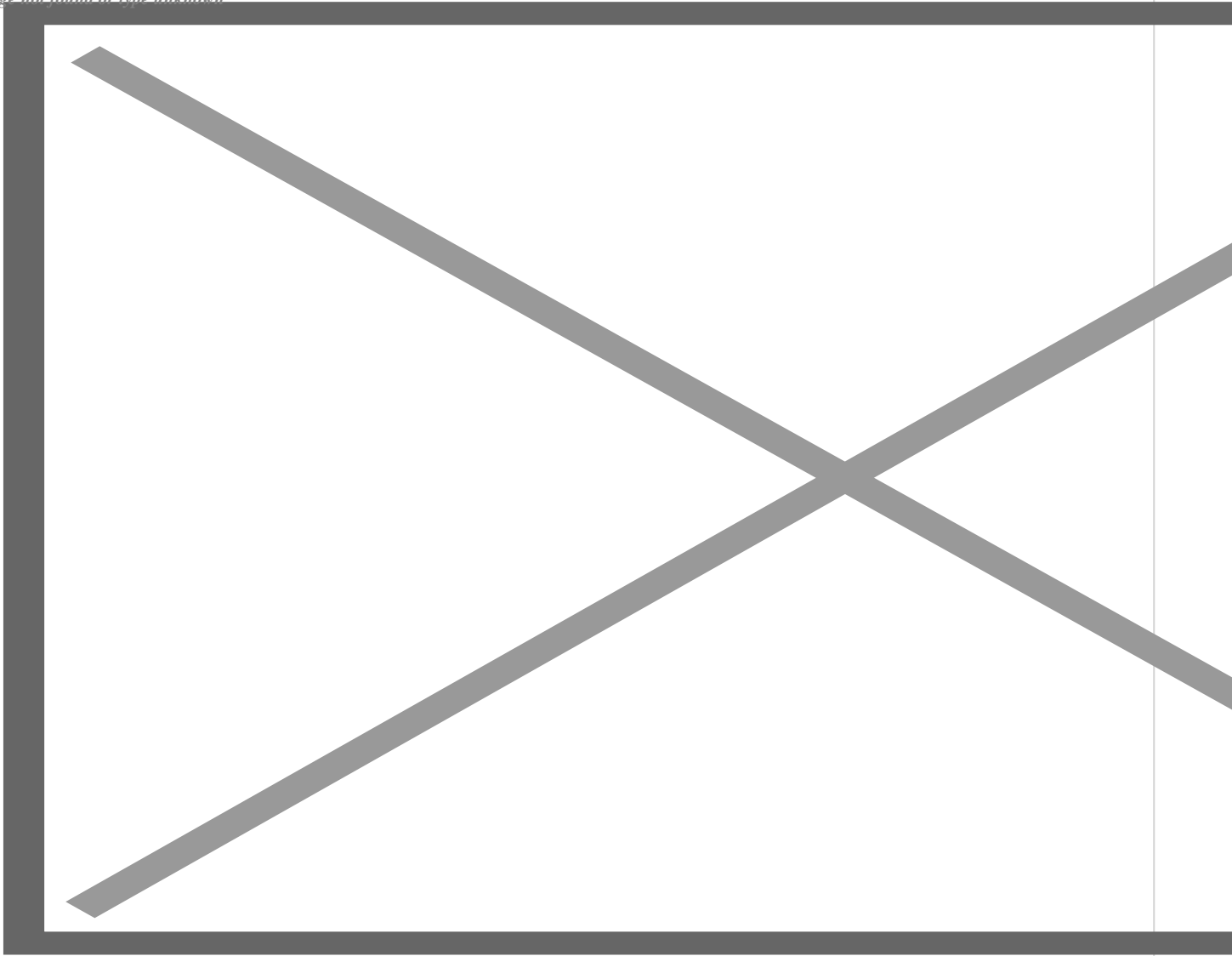


Real Madrid beats Villarreal to equal top spot in Spanish soccer

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




Madrid, Oct 5 (PL) Real Madrid defeated Villarreal 2-0 today and equalized with Barcelona at the top of the Spanish soccer league.

Uruguay's Federico Valverde scored a superb goal in the 14th minute after a corner kick, and Brazil's Vinicius Junior (73rd) scored the second to take Los Merengues to 21 points, the same as Barcelona.

In the other Saturday matches, Espanyol beat RCD Mallorca 2-1, Rayo Vallecano beat Valladolid, and Celta de Vigo beat Las Palmas 1-0, the only team still without a win.

In addition, Getafe and Osasuna drew 1-1, which allows the latter to maintain their place in the European competitions for next season.

The following matches are scheduled for tomorrow: Girona-Athletic de Bilbao, Alavés-Barcelona, Sevilla-Betis and Real Sociedad-Atlético de Madrid.

POSITION	TEAM	POINTS	Pld	W	D	L	GF
1	 FC BARCELONA	21	8	7	0	1	25
2	 REAL MADRID	21	9	6	3	0	19
3	 VILLARREAL CF	17	9	5	2	2	17
4	 ATLÉTICO DE MADRID	16	8	4	4	0	12
5 ▲	 CA OSASUNA	15	9	4	3	2	13
6 ▼	 ATHLETIC CLUB	14	8	4	2	2	12
7 ▼	 RCD MALLORCA	14	9	4	2	3	9
8 ▲	 RAYO VALLECANO	13	9	3	4	2	11
9 ▲	 RC CELTA	13	9	4	1	4	16
10 ▼	 REAL BETIS	12	8	3	3	2	8
11	 DEPORTIVO ALAVÉS	10	8	3	1	4	11
12 ▲	 RCD ESPANYOL DE BARCELONA	10	9	3	1	5	9
13 ▼	 GIRONA FC	9	8	2	3	3	9
14 ▼	 SEVILLA FC	9	8	2	3	3	8
15	 GETAFE CF	8	9	1	5	3	6
16 ▼	 REAL SOCIEDAD	8	8	2	2	4	6
17 ▼	 CD LEGANÉS	8	9	1	5	3	5
18	 VALENCIA CF	6	9	1	3	5	5

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