Wawrinka sinks home hope Tsonga

Stan Wawrinka shattered French hopes of a first men's singles champion in 32 years when he outlasted Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the semi-finals yesterday. — AP

RESULTS

Men's semi-finals

Stan Wawrinka (Swi) bt Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (Fra) 6-3, 6-7 (1-7), 7-6 (7-3), 6-4.

Women's semi-finals

Serena Williams (Usa) bt Timea Babos (Hun) 6-4, 6-2.

Mixed doubles final

Bethanie Mattek-Sands/Sandeep Bryans (Usa) bt Lucie Hradecka/Marcin Matkowski (Pol) 7-6 (7-3), 6-1.

Tsonga adopted the drop shot as his weapon of choice to get back on serve, but he failed to convert two more break points as Wawrinka moved 2-0 up.

Both men were looking leg-weary as the semi-final nudged up to three and a half hours in hot and humid conditions and Wawrinka failed to take a succession of break points that would have put him 5-2 up.

In the end though he did not need the extra break as back-to-back service holds saw him through to the championship match for the first time in what is his 11th campaign at Roland Garros. — AFP