The Daily Star

Sport

Kevin Campbell struck Everton's

Leeds had looked set to follow up on

But a Terry Sheringham header and

Leeds are now one of four teams on

Fulham's slide towards trouble

England duo Emile Heskey and

Blackburn's fine recent run contin-

Manchester City and

ued with a 1-0 win over Charlton,

secured by a Damian Duff strike after 33

Middlesbrough fought out a goalless

TOP SIX

English Premiership table after

Saturday's matches (played, won,

drawn, lost, goals for, goals against,

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32 20 7 5 67 34 67

draw in the day's other match.

Aussies call up Maher to WI

AFP, Sydney

Jimmy Maher was on Sunday called to join the Australian Test touring party in the West Indies to give wicketkeeper Adam Gilchrist a breather.

Maher, Australia's reserve wicketkeeper at last month's World Cup in southern Africa, will replace Gilchrist for the three-day tour match against a University of West Indies XI in Barbados, starting on April 26, the Australian Cricket Board said. It will be the first match Gilchrist

has missed since Australia's victory over the Netherlands in a World Cup preliminary match on February 20.

Batsman Maher is not a specialist keeper but national selection chairman Trevor Hohns said it made sense to use him for the game as he was likely to be selected in Australia's 15man squad to play seven one-day internationals against the Windies after the four-match Test series.

"Jimmy will more than likely be part of our one-day squad in the West Indies simply on his batting alone, so it is important that we continue to give him added keeping experience if he is to continue covering adequately for Adam Gilchrist on tour," Hohns said on Sunday.

Magura cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Magura

The Econo cricket league starts at the Magura Stadium today. Twenty-four are expected to take

part in the meet, which is being organised by the District Sports Association.

SA A doing well AFP, Adelaide

Australia's winning World Cup team member Andrew Symonds scored a cavalier half-century, but South Africa A were well placed at stumps on the first day of their three-day match against Australia A at Adelaide Oval Sunday

When bad light stopped play, South Africa A were 66 without loss in their first innings, with Ahmed Amla on 38 and Adam Bacher on 20, in reply to Australia A's 263 all out.

Symonds top-scored with a Rajin hurricane 78 from 79 balls, including CITY CLUB: First in 12 fours and two sixes, both off left-Faruque not out arm orthodox spinner Nicky Boje. Moniruzzaman no

His innings saved his team from major embarrassment after he came to the crease with the score 47 for three after Australia A lost early wickets on a $pitch \ containing \ plenty \ of \ life.$



RIA

Bangladesh vs South Africa

Their answers to critics Premiership selectors for keeping faith in me," said

Ganga, who had made only three half centuries in 29 previous Test innings.

Cricket

Reuters, Georgetown

Australia on Saturday.

maiden Test century.

resilient performance.

critics.

Ganga, making his first home Test

appearance and with his place in the

team being questioned after inconsis-

tent displays, celebrated by striking

His fellow Trinidadian Lara, contro-

versially brought back as captain only

one week before the start of the series

his 19th Test 100 to answer his own

"I was under a lot of pressure and it was what I needed," added the 24 yearold who until Thursday had played Test West Indies captain Brian Lara and cricket in six countries, all outside the Daren Ganga hit back at their critics by Caribbean. scoring centuries to keep alive their

"I'm happy to have got my first Test team's hopes in the first Test against 100, it was a long time in waiting. It's great to get a hundred against the best team in the world."

He was eventually out for 113, caught by Brett Lee off a Darren Lehmann delivery. Lara added: "Darren has very good

technique and it was just a matter of time. He showed that today." Talking about his own performance,

following the sacking of Carl Hooper, hit Lara brushed aside the heckling he received from part of the Bourda crowd -- angry at the sacking of their compatriot

Together they took their team, a Hooper -- when he took the field. daunting 252 runs behind Australia after "As far as I'm concerned, the sup-

porters seemed to be 100 per cent for the first innings, to 381 for five after a me," said Lara, who was given a rousing "I want to thank Brian Lara and the ovation when he completed his century.

"Now I want us to bat for as long as possible," Lara said after the day's play. 'The pitch is still playing pretty good and I don't think it's time to let up now. "We have to fight their bowlers -(injured Ridley) Jacobs will come out to bat tomorrow -- so I don't think we have enough just yet and we don't have any top-flight spinner so I want to bat for as

long as possible tomorrow." Having stepped down as captain three years ago, Lara said he was happy

to have been given a second chance. "I understand the situation the West

Indies is in," he said. "They needed me to captain the team and I had to accept. "It's a bit harder, the game revolves around you but I enjoy being captain

and I enjoy batting. His only frustration was to be out for 110 by hitting his wicket when it appeared he could have gone much

further. "It was very disappointing to get out like that," he said. "I have been out like that before but not in such an important situation."

Goodbye Sunderland Football

AFP. London

Manchester United picked themselves up after their midweek mauling by Real Madrid to trounce Newcastle 6-2 and take the lead in the Premiership on Saturday

That left them three points clear of Arsenal going into Wednesday's Highbury showdown

The backbone of United's demolition job at St James' Park was a superb hat-trick from Paul Scholes. Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, Ryan Giggs and Ruud van Nistelrooy, who claimed his 36th of the season from the penalty spot, were United's other scorers.

Newcastle had taken an early lead with a lethal 25-vard drive from Jermaine Jenas, Shola Ameobi scoring a late consolation goal after a poor clearance by Fabien Barthez.

As well as going some way to exorcising the ghosts of their drubbing in Madrid the result also ensured that, after last week's 4-0 thrashing of Liverpool, United are now only one goal behind Arsenal in terms of goal difference. The delight engendered by their six

star display was in stark contrast to the gloom at Sunderland who were condemned to first division football next season after losing 1-0 to Birmingham. That loss set a new club record of ten

straight league defeats for Mick McCarthy's out of sorts team. Birmingham, fighting for their own

survival, proved willing executioners. A Brian Hughes strike and Christophe Dugarry's first goal in English football secured a 2-0 win that left Steve Bruce's side six points clear of the relegation zone.

Primera Liga

Deportivo La Coruna kept up the pres-

sure on league leaders Real Madrid with

a comprehensive 4-2 win over strug-

gling Barcelona at the Nou Camp on

The Meringues still lead by three

points with a game in hand, but that is a

tough one away to third-placed Real

Barcelona came into the game

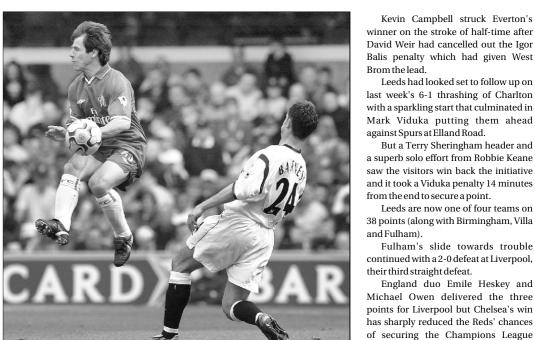
against Deportivo on a high following

Football

AFP, Madrid

Saturday.

Sociedad on Sunday.



An airborne Gianfranco Zola (L) of Chelsea takes evasive action as Bolton Wanderers' Anthony Barness hits a volley at Stamford Bridge on April 12.

bottom at Christmas continued with a

2-2 draw with Aston Villa, who are still

French striker Fredi Kanoute was the

Hammers' hero with a 65th-minute

equaliser. Darius Vassell, from the spot,

and Oyvind Leonhardsen had put Villa

ahead after Trevor Sinclair had given the

unbeaten in six games, to within three

points offourth-from-bottom Bolton,

who went down to a 1-0 defeat at

But classy Deportivo were back on

level terms through Argentinian Lionel

Scaloni after 23 minutes only for Barca

to go back ahead seven minutes later

victory, it was up to the Spanish

League's top scorer Dutchman Roy

A deft header brought the scores

level four minutes into the second half

and then he put Deportivo ahead when

he sprung the Barcelona offside trap

and set off on a 40 metre run that ended

With the home crowd sensing

through the Brazilian Motta.

Mackaay to spoil it for them.

The point moved West Ham, now

not safe themselves.

home side the lead.

the visitors' goal.

West Ham's battle to become the Chelsea. first club to beat the drop after being

side

last transfer window.

Carlton Cole's solo run clinched three points to bolster Chelsea's grip on fourth place, the final qualifying spot for next season's Champions League.

West Ham and Bolton face off next week in a match whose outcome is now set to prove crucial to the survival hopes of both clubs.

West Brom could theoretically still escape the drop. But after a 2-1 defeat at Everton, the Baggies must now win all five remaining games, a task that looks beyond a side that have won only five matches out of 33 so far.

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place they crave.

minutes

points):

Man Utd

Arsenal

PHOTO AFP

Schmeichel's final season AFP, London

Deportivo drub Barca

Manchester City goalkeeper Peter Schmeichel has said he will retire from professional football at the end of the there was no way back for the home season

"It has taken a month of soul In the evening's other game, Seville searching to make this decision, the defeated Villarreal 3-1 with two late most difficult of my life," former goals from substitute Niko Machlas, his first two since being bought during the Manchester United keeper Schmeichel wrote in the Sunday Times.

"Playing football has been that life for 20 years and it's hard to accept that at 4.50pm at Maine Road on May 11 the final whistle will sound on more than just another game and another season

"There's a time to let go, to get on Madrid 28 17 9 2 64 27 60 Deportivo 29 17 6 6 49 32 57 with life. It's over."

Winners of the Bashundhara Cup golf tournament are seen with the guests after the prize-giving ceremony at the Savar Golf Club on April 11.

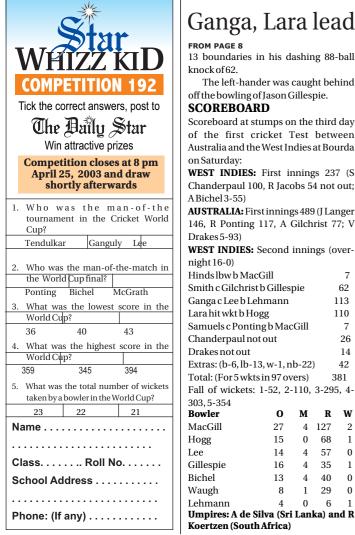
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STAR Sports Bangladesh vs South Africa **TVS Cup Tri-Series** Live at 2:00 pm Sportsline Tonight Sport News Live at 10:30 pm



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Mustadir 0 4 Ganga, Lara lead FROM PAGE 8

13 boundaries in his dashing 88-ball knock of 62. The left-hander was caught behind off the bowling of Jason Gillespie. SCOREBOARD Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the first cricket Test between Australia and the West Indies at Bourda on Saturday: WEST INDIES: First innings 237 (S Chanderpaul 100, R Jacobs 54 not out; A Bichel 3-55) AIISTRALIA · First innings 489 (II ange

AUSTRALIA: First innings 489 (J Langer								
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Lara hit wkt b Hogg 110								
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Chanderpaul not		26						
Drakes not out		14						
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17 Virender Sehwag Result: India won by 153 runs. Man-of-the-match: Mohammad Kaif

Toss: India

Football

San Siro on Saturday.

AC Milan rekindled their title hopes

after defeating their local rivals 1-0 at the

sent off for a wild tackle on Brazilian

A win for Milan saw the 1999 cham-

pions go second in Serie A above Inter

Juventus, who play away to Bologna on

Inzaghi dedicated his match-winner

to the Milan fans, who have had to

against Inter in the derby," Inzaghi said.

"The season hasn't always been

Milan president Silvio Berlusconi,

easy, but they gave us tremendous

Italy's prime minister, took the opportu-

nity to dismiss rumours that coach Carlo

Ancelotti's job was on the line if the club

"There has been a lot said in the

papers about Ancelotti's future, but I

don't win a trophy this season.

Juventus before Christmas

AFP. Milan

Serginho.

Sunday

tonight.

support."

Umpires: Akhtaruddin (Bangladesh) and Billy Bowden (New Zealand)

their 1-1 draw away to Juventus in the Champions League on Wednesday and they took the lead after just two minutes when Javier Saviola lobbed Juanmi in

Serie A **Derby daylight for Milan**

> can assure you we will respect his contract because we are convinced he can lead the club to success," Berlusconi said

Champions League quarter-finalists Milan settled into their stride early, threatening Inter's goal in the sixth while dampening those of Inter Milan minute

Italy international Gennaro Gattuso Filippo Inzaghi scored the winner 17 cut inside form the right wing before unleashing a fierce left foot drive from minutes after half-time of the 253rd 20 yards which Inter goalkeeper Milan derby, latching on to Manuel Rui Francesco Toldo tipped over the cross-Costa's defence-splitting pass to tuck bar. home his 15th league goal of the season.

Milan continued to press forward Inter's chances of pegging Milan and went close to breaking the deadlock back receded in the 67th minute when 12 minutes later. Colombian defender Ivan Cordoba was

Serginho's swung over an inviting left-wing corner which found Rui Costa but the Portugese playmaker's downward header was hacked off the goalline by Inter's alert captain Javier Zanetti. on goal difference, five points behind Inter's tenacious midfielder Luigi Di league leaders and title holders

Biagio was booked moments later for a wild tackle, before Emre Belozoglu's low, angled shot warmed the fingertips of Milan's Brazilian goalkeeper Dida.

Andriy Shevchenko shot narrowly endure a roller-coaster season, having wide as Milan regained the initiative and seen their team fritter away an eight the Ukrainian forward went even closer point lead which they held over shortly afterwards when he diverted Alessandro Costacurta's mishit shot "I thought we deserved victory and it gave me great satisfaction to score inches past the post.

A scrappy first half of few clear-cut chances ended with Marco Materazzi "Above all I am happy for the fans, joining Di Biagio in the referee's notewho showed great affection for us book.

Six minutes after the break Inzaghi was denied by Toldo's outstretched leg before Paolo Maldini, playing in his 33rd derby, was replaced by Martin Laursen. The Milan captain was accidently struck in the face by Christian Vieri's flailing elbow and left the field with a fractured nose.

62nd minute With Inter's defence in retreat, Rui

Costa found Inzaghi with a superblytimed pass and Milan's leading goalscorer drilled a low right-foot shot wide of Toldo and inside the far post.

Five minutes later Cordoba was sent for an early bath for a brutal tackle on Serginho, but despite being a man down Inter produced their best football in the closing stages

Alvaro Recoba came closest to rescuing a point for Inter but his rising shot was superbly palmed over the bar by the athletic Dida.

Milan's Dario Simic, Rui Costa and Gattuso were also yellow-carded along with Toldo in a fractious second-half. Earlier Saturday strugglers Como edged closer to relegation from Serie A after being held to a 1-1 draw at home to Perugia

lead, only for Italy international Fabrizio Miccoli to equalise for the visitors in the 91st minute.

Perugia would have been on level terms sooner had Como goalkeeper Fabrizio Ferron not brilliantly saved Jose Ze Maria's 76th minute penalty, awarded when Benoit Cauet brought down Giovanni Tedesco in the box.

Como remain second from bottom with 20 points from 27 matches, while Perugia stay in 11th position

TOP SIX

Italian league table after Saturday's matches (played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, goals against, points): 27 18 6 3 51 18 60 Iuventus 28 16 7 5 47 21 55 Milan 28 17 4 7 56 33 55 Inter Lazio 27 12 12 3 48 27 48 $27 \ 12 \ 9 \ 6 \ 46 \ 29 \ 45$ Parma $27 \ 13 \ 5 \ 9 \ 37 \ 28 \ 44$

in a goal. Former Espanyol star Sergio rounded the scoring off after 75 minutes and although both Luis Enrique and Patrick Kluivert went close after that

FADESA

Barcelona at the Nou Camp stadium on April 12.

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TOP SIX

Spanish league table after Saturday's

matches (played, won, drawn, lost,

goals for, goals against, points):

Valderrama calls it a day

AFP, Bogota

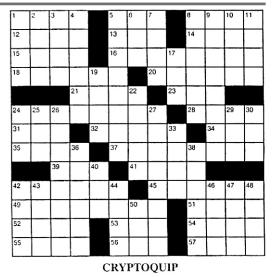
PHOTO: AFP

Colombia's top footballer of the 1990's Carlos Valderrama announced his retirement on Sunday at the age of 41 after a career dating back over 20 years.

Famous for his outlandish candyfloss hairstyle, Valderrama played in three world Cup finals from 1990 and at his prime was rated one of the finest midfielders in the game.

He said that he had taken the decision to call it a day after failing to agree on a new contract with his American club side Colorado Rapids.

Valderrama played 110 times for his country scoring 12 goals. He retired from international football in 1998 after playing in the World Cup finals in France.



TL QZJB ZL CZFX RVBBNH V YHXC SHHP ЈНРЈН ZL DFQZX, VXH BDHC V NVFKDTPK JBZRS? Saturday's Cryptoquip: FRENCH FRANKFURTERS ARE NOT JUST JUNK FOOD. ON THE CONTRARY, THEY'RE HAUTE DOGS.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals T

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another, if you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Chievo

Milan's pressure finally paid off when they broke Inter's resistance in the

Nicola Amoruso scored against his former club to give Como a first-half