

Hollywood enters Centre Court!



WIMBLEDON

REUTERS, London

Hollywood is to delay the start of play on Wimbledon's hallowed Centre Court by half an hour on Thursday so scenes can be shot for a new romantic comedy.

crowd shots and atmosphere." Suburban matrons used to a genteel lunch of cucumber sandwiches and strawberries and cream were asked to take their seats early for a chance of movie fame.

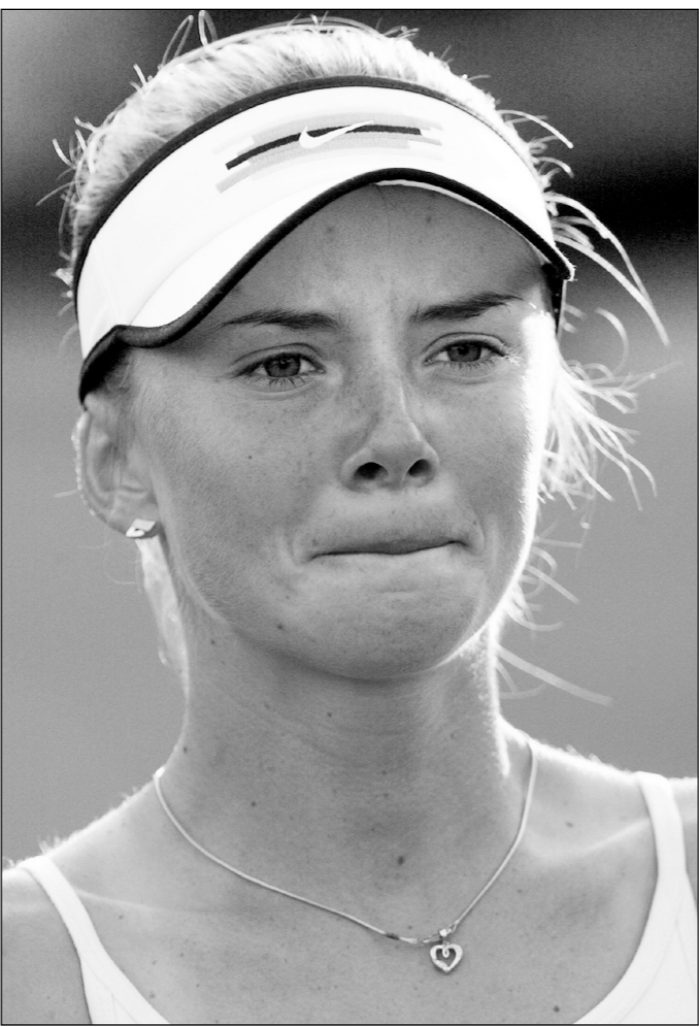
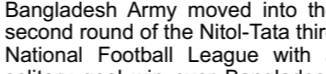


PHOTO: AFP

Army move into second round



SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Army moved into the second round of the Nitol-Tata third National Football League with a solitary goal win over Bangladesh Navy in the 'Sheba zone' final at the Army Stadium yesterday.

Roddick wins showdown



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AFP, London

early birthday present as she turns 27 on Saturday. Roddick said he sympathised with the predicament of Rusedski, who has only recently returned from a nine-month injury nightmare following foot and knee surgery.

Media Cup cricket on

BSS, Dhaka

The Financial Express, Daily Sangbad, DailyManabzamin, Daily Janakantha, Daily Aiker Kagoj and ATN Bangla won their respective matches on the opening day of the Pepsi Media six-a-side cricket tournament at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

England restricted

Streak creates Zimbabwe history



REUTERS/AFP, Nottingham

Heath Steak became the first Zimbabwean to take 200 one-day international wickets as England were restricted to 191 for eight off 50 overs in the opening match of the NatWest Series triangular tournament here on Thursday.

Streak removed Vikram Solanki early then dismissed the in-form opener Marcus Trescothick for a run-a-ball 38 as the innings deflated after an encouraging start.

A Biman day at Delta TT

BSS, Dhaka

Bangladesh Biman clinched the titles of the boys' and women's team events in the Delta Life Open Table Tennis Championship at the Wooden floor Gymnasium at Dhanmondi yesterday.

How to get it Wright



REUTERS, Bangalore

India coach John Wright wants a change in approach that will see faster pitches prepared for domestic cricket, seen as vital to improve the country's overseas record in particular.

Zia, Rakib share

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Reefat beat Arman Monir, Pallab beat IWM Rani Hamid, Rajib beat Chanchal Kumar Ghosh, Shakil beat FM Taibur Rahman Sumon, Javed beat FM Shiekh Nasir Ahmed, Parag beat Minhazuddin Ahmed Sagar.

"It is more of a mind-set," Wright told Reuters. "There are some pitches resembling those overseas. It is just a matter of how much grass (is left on the pitches)."

Cricket in

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gone backwards amongst the countries since this issue was last considered in Sri Lanka last October.

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would be held in the country early next year. The ICC has also approved the format of ICC Champions Trophy to be held in England next year.

Tim the only

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drought through his own talent. "If it's not good enough at the end of the day it's not good enough. At Wimbledon I don't believe I can have too many complaints - but I want to get back to the semis and have another crack at it," said Henman, who went into the tournament still struggling from the effects of shoulder surgery he underwent late last year.

'Support Bangladesh'

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likely to last less than three days. "I don't think it's ever about money. I don't think any of the guys have ever played cricket because of money ... we're going into the Bangladesh series to play for pride and respect."

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer. 1 Covers in chimney dust. 2 Aware. 3 Intense dislike. 4 Confucian principle.

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Div II h'ball. BSS, Dhaka. Old Bandura Nabin Setu Sangha earned a 25-21 win over Purbachal Parishad in a keenly contested match in the Leo Pump Second Division Handball League at the handball ground in the city yesterday.

Trial by media



REUTERS, London

"Crying Foul" a majority of the articles slammed the outburst as an embarrassing low point of the tournament so far. However, the Telegraph's Paul Hayward believed that Rusedski's behaviour whitewashed over another sorry display by home-based players.



GREG RUSEDISKI

Britain's Greg Rusedski received very little in the way of either sympathy or support in Thursday's newspapers after his furious outburst of foul language during a Wimbledon loss to Andy Roddick.