# SPORT

#### NSU intra-soccer 01 batch win final

#### PRESS RELEASE

The North South University's 01 batch won the intra-football fina beating 00 group 3-0 at the WAPDA ground on Friday.

The 01 team took the lead through striker Sayeed and Rafi with a magnificent header doubled the score in 25th minute.

It stayed 2-0 until half time. In the 55th minute Kazi put the

game beyond the 00 batch. Later, NSU Proctor, Shahriar Akbar Chowdhury gave away the

prizes. The month-long tournament was

participated by seven teams, includ-ing a faculty team.

## Shoaib unsure about Pak return

#### AFP, London

Pakistan paceman Shoaib Akhtar inspired Durham to victory over Somerset with an eight-wicket haul in the English county championship on Friday and then revealed that he is still uncertain over whether or not he will return home for the Test series against Bangladesh.

Shoaib took four for nine off seven overs as Somerset were bowled out for 56 in their second innings to lose the Division Two game at the Riverside by 318 runs. He had already snared 4-39 in the first inninas.

"I had permission to play half a season for Durham, but Mohammed Sami's injury has changed that," said Shoaib "It's an honour for me to play for Pakistan, but we have just had the

news and we are talking about it. "Playing county cricket is a great learning process for me. I'm bowling

every day and getting stronger, and I'm enjoying every bit of it. 108. "Durham are a young side and

they really want to win. I'm helping them do that and nothing could be better than this.

## Kallis going to Eng Tuesday

#### AFP, London

South Africa all-rounder Jacques Kallis is due to return to England on Tuesday, team spokesman Gerald de Kock told AFP here Friday.

Kallis, 27, returned to South Africa, after playing in the Proteas' triangular series final defeat against England earlier this month, to be with his father Henry, who died of cancer on July 23.

That meant Kallis missed the drawn first Test against England concluded at Edgbaston on Monday and the second Test currently in sky-blues ahead in the 13th minute progress at Lord's. just after Ajax defender Rajib

De Kock said at Lord's Friday: Ahmed's goal-line save which was Jacques Kallis is due to arrive in Tuesday. He will probably play in both warm-up games before the third Test."



Mark Philippousis of Australia stretches to make a return against Gustavo Kuerten of Brazil at the Mercedes-Benz Cup on Friday.

Extras: (b-17, lb-17, w-5, nb-12) 51

Total: (For 3 wkts in 137 overs) 516

Fall of wickets: 1-133, 2-390, 3-513

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Umpires: Steve Bucknor (West

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Team inspires

the man for the job of captaincy. This

"He's really hungry for big runs.

It's unbelievable what he's doing

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To bat: Boucher, Pollock, Hall,

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Toss: South Africa

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guy can go the distance.

## England get

#### FROM PAGE 13 Make double hundreds in succes-

sive Tests, resumed on 214. Dippenaar 11 not out overnight was dropped on 15 when he edged paceman Andrew Flintoff to Ashley Giles at first slip. He was dropped again, on 36, by Mark Butcher at second slip off

Darren Gough. These errors came after former

captain Nasser Hussain had dropped an easy cover catch when Smith was on eight on Thursday and Mark Butcher put down Gary Kirsten, then 54, in the slips on Saturday.

Kirsten, South Africa's most capped player, went on to make None of the chances were diffi-

cult by Test standards and South Africa made England pay for every one of them SCOREBOARD

#### Scoreboard at lunch on the third day of the second Test between England and South Africa at Lord's on Saturday:

ENGLAND: First innings 173 (D Gough 34, M Vaughan 33, J Anderson 21 not out; M Ntini 5-75, A Hall 3-18)

three double hundreds in 12 Tests SOUTH AFRICA: First innings and now two in two.'

Difficult wins FROM PAGE 13 the second half as his side could

only score once in each half. Striker Ashraful Islam Shishu cleverly executed a hit to put the

two minutes to go before the final whistle

After the barren first half, Mohammed Anis broke the deadlock with a fierce angular hit in the 47th minute aided by a superb combined attack, especially his compatriot Kamran Ashraf did an

## Scud aces out Kuerten

#### AFP, Los Angeles

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Wimbledon runner-up Mark 108 Philippoussis ended it the way he began -- with an ace.

The 26-year-old Australian blasted 22 aces on Friday in beating Brazilian hero Gustavo Kuerten 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7/5) at the Los Angeles ATP event

Philippoussis won the shootout between the big servers, dispatching Kuerten with a 126mph ace in the third-set tiebreaker to reach the semifinals of the 380,000 tournament.

He also opened the one hour, 56 minute match with 133mph secondserve ace

"This tournament is very important for me because I want to let people know that I am real and that Wimbledon was not a run out of nowhere," said Philippoussis.

He reached the final of Wimbledon last month, losing to Swiss star Roger Federer.

Philippoussis won eight of nine break points in a centre court night match that lived up to its premier billing.

"My confidence is high right now," said Philippoussis, the fifth seed. "It takes something special like that (Wimbledon) to get someone going and it did for me

#### All eyes FROM PAGE 13

Mohammedan Sporting Club almost booked their place with seven points from three matches.

Arambagh Krira Sangha and Jhenaidah Mohammedan will it out battle to see who goes through to the next round as the third team of Group A.

Motijheel-based Aramba

#### Serena to miss Fletcher flays his charges **US** Open AFP, London Mariner Young's Club dropped England coach Duncan Fletcher

Tennis

AFP, Los Angeles World number one Serena Williams

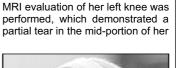
will be unable to defend her US Open title after undergoing surgery Friday to repair a partially torn tendon in her left knee.

Williams is expected to recover fully from the procedure but will be sidelined six to eight weeks. The US Open, the final Grand Slam of the season, begins August 25 in New York

Orthopedic surgeon Rodney Gabriel repaired the mid-portion of Williams' left quadriceps tendon. "Serena has suffered from

quadriceps tendinitis of her left knee for many years, which has been controlled with medication and physical therapy treatments," Gabriel said. "She recently developed pain that, although improved with treatment, increased whenever she resumes tennis activities."

Williams has withdrawn from all of her tournaments since winning Wimbledon. She was expected to return just in time for the US Open, an event she also captured in 1999. "Secondary to an acute injury, an





quadriceps tendon," Gabriel

Williams has won five of the last six Grand Slams and owns a 42-3 match record this season, capturing four of the seven tournaments she has entered. She is a remarkable 34-0 on surfaces other than clay in 2003.

match."

"But he can learn from this. He

back in action AFP, London England wicketkeeper Alec Stewart returned to action here Saturday after being hit in the face on the third

**Injured Stewart** 

Mariner drop

more points

another valuable point after drawing

1-1 with Dhaka Railway in the Greer

Delta Premier Division Hockey

League at the Maulana Bhasani

The second half had to be

extended by a day as the encounter

was unfinished on Friday due to

insufficient water on the turf due to

Both teams failed to score in the

Mariner won only one match in

their four outings while Railway

drew their second game after win-

ning the first encounter in three

National Stadium yesterday.

power failure.

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SPORTS REPORTER

day of the second Test against South Africa at Lord's The 40-year-old, England's most-capped player now in his 130th Test, took his place behind the

stumps after lunch following a nasty-looking blow. The injury happened in the 16th over of the day when Proteas' captain Graeme Smith, on 247, went down the wicket to Ashley

Giles The ball brushed his front pad and hit Stewart in the face before he could try for the stumping chance with Smith well out of his ground.

To make matters worse for England their usual stand-in keeper, Marcus Trescothick, who has kept in one-day internationals, was fielding with a finger fractured in the drawn series opener at Edgbaston.

So instead Anthony McGrath took over as wicketkeeper and conceded two sets of four byes in the 11 overs Stewart was off the

## The marks

FROM PAGE 13 record (21 innings) ahead of Graeme Pollock (22).

\* When Smith reached 200 in the second Test he became only the fourth player in history, behind Don Bradman (Australia, three times), Wally Hammond (England) and Vinod Kambli (India), to score double centuries in successive Tests. Only Bradman had ever achieved the feat before against

On reaching 255 on Saturday, he recorded the biggest score by an overseas player at Lord's, beating Bradman's 254 against England in 1930

\* His 621 runs in only three innings of the series was a world record, beating the 599 in three innings by Gary Sobers against Pakistan in 1957-8. His total also



SERENA WILLIAMS

explained. "Surgical treatment of her partial quadriceps tendon rupture was ecommended.



"We haven't played to our potential, but the Tests are very different to one-dayers. We just need a couple of guys to bowl well. "The mood in the dressing room

is not a happy one but we have to remain positive and come back on Saturday and play the game. "We still believe we can save the

The Daily Star

admitted that Michael Vaughan's

men had under-performed as South

Africa piled on the agony in the

second Test at Lord's on Friday.

The coach also admitted that the

experience had been a rude awakening for new skipper Vaughan. "I think he has been a little surorised by it but he was thrown in at the deep end," said the coach.

realises it's not an easy job."



Justine Henin-Hardenne of Belgium plays a backhand against Russian Nadia Petrova at the Acura Classic on Friday.

## **Belgians in last four** "I think I have a good game to Tennis

## Andre exacts revenge

The eight-time Grand Slam

champion answered the challenge

for a 3-6, 7-5, 6-3 triumph, avenging

a loss to Blake here in last year's

semifinals of the 600,000-dollar

"Tonight felt like it was going to

play on hard court, but sometimes I AFP, Washington am a little bit afraid of the power of

England.

The third match of this five Test series starts at Trent Bridge on August 14. Before then South Africa have a

one-day match against the Professional Cricketers' Association on Wednesday, August 6 at Shenley and a three-day first-class game against Kent at Canterbury, starting on Thursday, August 7.

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General secretary of the Bangladesh Basketball Federation Salim Chowdhury inaugurated the programme.

CROSSWORD

powered by Ramij Ahmed, who scored the second field goal in the 41st minute box

Later Ramij got an easy chance before the break but the experienced player failed to find the target after brilliantly rushing into the opponent's danger zone dibbling past three defenders.

But he made up for the miss after the breather when his almost zero angle hit kissed the Ajax board to double the margin and confirm Abahni's fourth win in a row.

Unlike the shaky frontline, Abahani's defence played magnificently to foil Ajax's attacks. Veteran custodian Russel Khan Bappi had an outstanding game as he kept out Ajax's forwards time and again. It was Ajax's third defeat in four matches

## **MSC-SONALI BANK**

On the other hand, youthful Sonali Bank tied with their formidable opponents Mohammedan neck to neck but finally the black and whites rode on their Pakistani Mohammad Anis's two spectacular goals. The bankers lost their nerve in the last five minutes which resulted in conceding the second goal with

By Eugene Sheffer

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Sonali Bank stunned Mohammedan just after five minutes when Issa capitalised on a rebounder with a powerful hit to level the margin.

Following the setback Mohammedan desperately raided their opponents' fort to ensure full points but they also faced some good counter-attacks from the young boys.

Finally Pakistani marksman Mohammad Anis brought huge relief for the title-contenders scoring his second goal in almost the same fashion in the 68th minute to confirm the victory.

Earlier in the first half, Mohammedan goalie Jahangir Alam Ziku salvaged his side on several occasions. Sonali Bank suffered their second defeat in four matches. TODAY'S MATCHES Bangladesh SC vs Sadharan Bima

(2:15pm)

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: 1 GUESS YOU COULD FEEL STUCK WITH YOUR DEBT IF YOU DIDN'T

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Q equals R

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.

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Usha KC vs Wari Club (4:15pm)

have a slim chance of reaching the super-six, but they have to win against the all-losers Jamalpur Jagarani in their last match and hope that Jhenaidah rivals are thrashed by a big margin against Mohammedan.

On the other hand, last year runners-up Abahani Krira Chakra and Bangladesh Army are in a pole position for Group B. But Chittagong Mohammedan with two matches in hand. could still sneak in.

Meanwhile our Staff Correspondent adds: The Khulna District Sports Association brought out a colourful rally on the eve of the league

Khulna City Mayor Sheikh Tayebur Rahman will inaugurate the

Nourse took five Test matches to get to that total.

When his innings ended on Sunday he had batted for 20 hours and 19 minutes in all. At that stage he had only been off the field for 57minutes in the first two Tests. England's first three innings lasted 15 hours and three minutes.

Batsmen to England often complain at how long it takes to get used to the seaming conditions Smith's first-class scores in England to date are 152, 26 not out (both v Somerset), 79 (v India A), 277, 85 (1st Test v England), 259 (2nd Test v England). His tour statistics are 878 runs at an average of 175.6, and his

Test series average is 621 runs, average 207.

## BD nowhere there

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the Australian batsmen cruised to victory with only big-hitting lefthander Adam Gilchrist (18) and Ponting (29) falling as the runs were knocked off at a rate of almost five an over.

Matthew Havden finished with an unbeaten 46 (seven fours) from 58 balls.

Fast bowler Mashrafee-bin-Mortuza dismissed Gilchrist in the fifth over.

Australia were only three runs short of their target when Ponting was out after a 65-ball knock. The powerful right-hander was bowled by spinner Mohammad Rafigue as he attempted a big hit to end the game

In the Bangladesh innings, Lee and Gillespie, well supported by Andy Bichel (2-24), made good use of a lively pitch.

In a woeful batting exhibition against a guality attack. Bangladesh were given a spark of hope only by Tushar Imran, who clubbed 28 from 33 balls, with five crisp boundaries.

#### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the first one-day international between Australia and Bangladesh at Bundaberg Stadium in Cairns on Saturday: BANGLADESH Sarker run out Al Shahriar c Hayden b Lee 8 Bashar c Gilchrist b Lee 0 Kapali b Lee 0 Sanwar c Gilchrist b Lee Imran c Ponting b Gillespie

equalled Dudlev Nourse's 621 runs AFP, San Diego against England in 1947, but

French Open champion Justine Henin-Hardenne is showing that the WTA Tour's best claycourt player also can be a force on the hard courts

> The third-seeded Belgian routed Russia's Nadia Petrova, 6-0, 6-2, in 55 minutes Friday and advanced to the semifinals of the 1 million-dollar

Acura Classic tennis tournament. "I was a little surprised because of the short match and the score was very easy," said Henin-Hardenne, who has reached the semifinals in 11 of 12 tournaments this year. "I'm just happy to be in the semis '

> Henin-Hardenne was joined by second-seeded compatriot Kim Clijsters, who breezed past American Lisa Raymond 6-2, 6-2 to set up a clash with fourth seed Lindsay Davenport.

Davenport powered past fellow American Chanda Rubin 6-3, 6-3.

Ranked third in the world, Henin-Hardenne is regarded as the preclaycourt on the WTA Tour, icularly after capturing the ch Open for her first career nd Slam title.

e an impact on the hard-court uit, improving to 19-3 this seathe players because it's getting very World number one Andre Agassi, fast and they are hitting the ball very pushed to play his best by fellow hard." Henin-Hardenne said. "But have a lot of confidence right now. I American James Blake, rallied to need to work my defense, but the dethrone the defending champion here Friday and reach the semifibest way to play good defense is to nals of the ATP Washington Classic. be aggressive. Now I can be powerful when I want.'

Henin-Hardenne won the previous two matches against Petrova, but those were on clay and grass. The results were the same on the hard surface. She took control from the start and applied pressure throughout.

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against Rubin to 9-3.

Petrova chalked it up as a bad

serve, raising her career mark

be a repeat," Agassi said. "You have "She thought she has many got to prove it every time you go out chances, but I really have improved there. It was a high standard. He my game on hard court and I'm came out of the gates hard and I feeling good," Henin-Hardenne said really wasn't ready for it. after recording 16 winners to five for "I certainly got frustrated. He was Petrova. She also had 24 unforced

hardcourt event.

playing so well. I'm not used to that feeling, when someone is hitting it so well you can't do much. That was some of the best tennis I have faced."

Blake won eight of the first 10 points, breaking Agassi in the second game of the match. But Agassi denied Blake on five of six break points after that, getting more than just the sort of test he wanted from this US Open tuneup.

"It's a little frustrating to play that well and lose, but it was against the best player in the world and he proved it," Blake said. "Andre had to play some of his best tennis to beat me. That's why he's number one."

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"I just didn't seem like it was my day," she said. "I knew how to play After dispatching Elena

Dementieva and Petrova, Henin-Hardenne will face another Russian, teenager Svetlana Kuznetsova, who eliminated compatriot Elena Likhotseva 6-2, 6-3. Davenport fell behind early but took control with an array of blazing groundstrokes and an effective

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lowever, she is beginning to

