



Did U Know?

At the 1975 World Cup Australia's Gary Gilmour, who only played five ODIs in his entire career, took six for 14 off 12 overs, including six maidens in the semifinal against England. Not surprisingly, the game became known as 'Gilmour's match'.



TEN Sports

- Bangladesh vs Pakistan**
First Test, Day Four
Live at 11:00 am
- Champions Trophy Hockey**
Argentina vs Australia
Live at 4:00 pm
- Germany vs Netherlands**
Live at 6:30 pm
- ESPN**
England vs South Africa
4th Test, Day Three
Live at 3:45 pm
- English Premier Football League**
Newcastle United vs Man United
Same Day Delay at 11:00 pm
- STAR Sports**
England vs South Africa
4th Test, Day Two
Same Day Delay at 9:30 am
- Soccer Soap**
Dream Team
Repeat at 5:00 pm
- English Premier Football League**
Tottenham Hotspur vs Leeds United
Live at 7:55 pm



Sachin Tendulkar
(India's star batsman)
"There's no race between Steve and me, nor is there any rivalry."
On Steve Waugh.

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- How many runs did Bangladesh score in the first innings of the 2nd Test against Australia?
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- Who became Asian Youth Cup cricket champions?
Malaysia Bangladesh
Nepal
- Who won the Pepsi handball title?
Chittagong Narsingdi Bandarban
- Who clinched the CONCACAF Gold Cup?
Brazil USA Mexico
- How many Test tons has Steve Waugh scored?
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Nipa defeated

SPORTS REPORTER
National woman's champion FIDE Master Syeda Shabana Parveen suffered a defeat in the Asian Women Chess Championship at Calicut, India yesterday.
Nipa lost her sixth round board to Indian Koneru Chandrahawasa.

Job only half done



HASAN MASOOD from Karachi

Bangladesh captain Khaled Mahmud believes that his team still had a long way to go before they could entertain any idea of putting pressure on the Pakistanis.

"We need to work harder over the next two days. We have to bat for another two and a half sessions at least tomorrow," said Mahmud after the third day's play ended yesterday.

"You can not predict anything in cricket. For us it is important to go out there and occupy the crease for as long as possible to earn a good result," said the 33-year old skipper adding that Saturday's first session would be crucial for his team.

"If we can overcome the first session tomorrow and take a lead of around three hundred runs, I think we have a chance to win. But again I would say that we have to work really hard."

Mahmud thought that left-arm spinner Mohammad Rafique could enjoy bowling on the wicket that had

already started breaking up.
"Rafique has bowled quite well. If we can take the lead according to our desire, he could be vital in the fourth innings."

Mahmud praised his bowlers for doing the right job in the morning session when Pakistan lost their last five wickets adding only 45 runs.

"Everything has gone right so far but again we need to continue with that for another two days."

On Bashar's unbeaten 82, Mahmud said that the right hander showed exactly how things should be done.

"Hats off to him. If he can continue tomorrow in the same way he batted today, we definitely have a chance."

Coach Dave Whatmore also praised Bashar and said his was the sort of effort the team required.

"You have to give him some credit for what he did. He batted for nearly four hours today which is very good for Bangladesh cricket. He batted really well," said Whatmore.

When asked whether he can foresee a win in this match, the former Australian Test cap declined to comment.

Speed denies it



CRICINFO, undated

Just when you thought cricket had had its month's quota of scandals, there is a whiff of another, and it involves Malcolm Speed, chief executive of the ICC. Indian newspapers are full of reports of Speed's alleged acquaintance with Madhumita Shukla, a fledgling Hindi poet whose murder last May led to a controversy involving many politicians. Speed has been quick to deny the allegations.

The discovery of a hotel-room swipe card in Shukla's apartment has led the Central Bureau of Investigation

(CBI) to believe that Shukla spent time in Speed's company in late November 2002. Speed was in New Delhi at the time to meet BCCI officials to resolve a dispute over player contracts ahead of the 2003 World Cup, and addressed a press conference on November 20 last year.

When Shukla's house was searched following her murder on May 9, the police found key cards to a hotel room in Delhi. Investigations revealed that these were keys to Speed's room. CBI officials were however quoted as saying that the discovery of the key had nothing to do with the murder investigations, in which a former minister of the Uttar Pradesh government is one of the suspects.

B'DESH-PAK SCORECARD

AFP, Karachi

Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the first Test between Pakistan and Bangladesh at Karachi's National Stadium on Friday:

BANGLADESH: First innings 288 all out in 86.3 overs (Bashar 71, Hannan 41, Kapali 46; Kaneria 3/58, Sabbir 3/58)

PAKISTAN: First innings (overnight 301 for five in 94 overs)

Hafeez c Javed b Mashrafe	2
Umar c Javed b Rafique	38
Hameed c Rafique b Mashrafe	170
Inzamam c Saleh b Baisya	0
Youhana c and b Saleh	46
Misbahul lbw b Mushrafe	13
Latif not out	54
Akhtar b Rafique	1
Sabbir c Saleh b Rafique	6
Kaneria c and b Mahmud	8
Gul run out	0
Extras: (lb-4, nb-4)	8
Total: (All out in 117 overs)	346
Fall of wickets: 1-5, 2-102, 3-103, 4-234, 5-270, 6-304, 7-307, 8-323, 9-338.	

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PAKISTAN DIARY



HASAN MASOOD from Karachi

Why did Hannan Sarker have to play that shot? That was the question on everybody's lips.

Having seen off the best that Pakistan had to offer, the compact diminutive batsman tried to sweep a Mohammad Hafeez delivery with five minutes left before the tea interval. But the debutant opener only succeeded in being adjudged leg before to the part-time off-spinner.

Was it worth playing such a needless shot at that point?

MIANDAD MADE MCC LIFE MEMBER

Pakistan's highest Test run-scorer Javed Miandad Friday expressed elation at being given life membership of cricket's most famous and oldest club, England's Marylebone Cricket Club.

"I received a letter from MCC



JOY UNLIMITED: Bangladesh fast bowler Mashrafe-bin-Mortuza celebrates after trapping Misbahul Haq lbw during the third day's play in Karachi yesterday.

Hockey League suspended

2 BHF officials beaten up

SPORTS REPORTER

The Green Delta Premier Division Hockey League has suspended for indefinite period after some Mohammedan officials and supporters attacked Bangladesh Hockey Federation officials during the first 'Super Five' match between Abahani Kirra Chakra and Usha Kirra Chakra at the Maulana Bhasani National Stadium yesterday.

Mohammedan officials and supporters led by manager Wasim Khan rushed to the BHF office claiming that one of the Indian umpires was 'drunk'.

The agitated fans manhandled BHF executive member and secretary of the tournament committee Nurul Amin and league committee secretary Mashirul Kabir Ritu. They also ransacked the federation's office before leaving.

"I hold Umpire Mahbulul Haq Mitu responsible for what happened. I will file a case against him," said an angry Amin, who suffered a cut on the nose.

Ritu told reporters that it was perfectly legal to change umpires during a match if the official fell sick.

After the match the Indian umpire Venu Uthappa denied that he was drunk and withdrew after the first half because his blood pressure suddenly shot up.

"I felt dizzy that's why I asked the reserve umpire (Abdur Rashid Khan) to take over. It was as simple as that if I was drunk then how could I have conducted the first half," he said.

Uthappa's colleague HS Sokhi, defended his Indian colleague saying he was sick.

Uthappa, however, was unhappy there was no doctor present at the ground.

"Actually our appointed doctor informed us just before game the started about his unavailability. So we were unable to arrange a replacement for him," league committee secretary Ritu said.

BHF general secretary Shamsul Bari told The Daily Star Sport that an emergency meeting would discuss the incident.

Abahani off to a flyer



SPORTS REPORTER

Defending champions Abahani Kirra Chakra made a solid start in the 'Super Five' phase of the Green Delta Premier Division Hockey League when they handed Usha Kirra Chakra a 4-1 defeat in the first match at the Maulana Bhasani National Stadium yesterday.

With the comfortable win, the league leaders not only extended their tally to 28 points from ten

matches but also got back on track after their 2-2 draw against bitter rivals Mohammedan Sporting Club on Wednesday.

Indian Amor Ayamma with two field goals in each half helped the popular sky-blues to an easy victory against Usha. When the teams in the first round Usha went down 4-2.

Besides, Shahidullah Titoo and Ashraf Islam Shishu netted one each for Abahani while Indian Mobinur Rahman scored for the losers.

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Indian umpire Venu Uthappa (x) being escorted off the field by police after the incident-packed Green Delta Premier Division hockey league Super Five encounter between Abahani and Usha yesterday.

Papa Pollock!

AFP, Durban

Former South African cricket captain Shaun Pollock became the proud father of a daughter Thursday, just days after he left a Test series in England to be at his pregnant wife's side.

Pollock, 30, who took six for 39 in England's second innings at Trent Bridge last week, was given a special leave of absence to be with his wife, Tricia, when she gave birth to the couple's first child in the east coast city of Durban.

"You have to make a number of sacrifices when you become an international sportsman," Pollock said in comments quoted in Durban's Daily News newspaper on Friday.

"Not being able to come home for important events is often one of them. Watching the birth was helluva exciting. It was much better than winning a Test."

The Pollocks have named their daughter Jemma Leigh. Pollock will spend the rest of this

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Eng make solid reply

AFP, Leeds

England, taking advantage of a depleted South African attack, were 110 for one at tea on the second day of the fourth Test at Headingley on Friday.

Marcus Trescothick was 36 not out and fellow left-hander Mark Butcher 33 not out with the five-match series all square at 1-1.

England were 232 behind after South Africa had rallied to 342 in

Zondeki in the 21-year-old Test debutant's second over.

Zondeki, who earlier made a career-best 59, left the field with a left side strain.

According to a South Africa spokesman Zondeki was "unlikely to bowl again today (Friday)."

The Proteas were already without leading fast bowler Shaun Pollock after the former captain had returned to Durban to witness the birth of his daughter.

And Zondeki's departure after 1.5 overs left them with four fit bowlers on the field, none of them spinners as South Africa, like England, opted for an all-pace attack.

Makhaya Ntini, who earlier posted a Test-best 32 not out, took the lone wicket to fall when he had England captain Michael Vaughan playing on for 15.

Vaughan, on his home ground, was unlucky to see a defensive shot bounce, spin back and clip the top corner of leg stump.

England were now 27 for one but



England opener Marcus Trescothick square cuts on to his way to a half-century at Headingley yesterday.

Warne stops training



AFP, Melbourne

Disgraced Australian Test cricketer Shane Warne said Friday he will take no further part in any official training until his 12-month drug ban ends in February.

The controversial 33-year-old leg spinner told a press conference here that arguments over what he can do in cricket under his ban had gone on for too long.

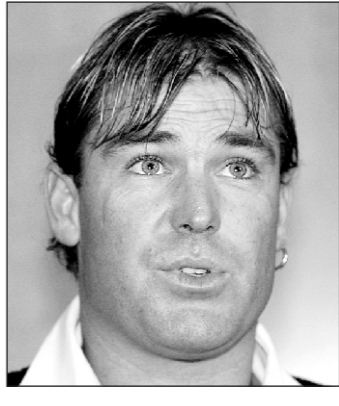
Cricket Australia (CA) has been told by the government-funded Australian Sports Commission (ASC) that it was unacceptable for Warne to train while serving his 12-month ban for taking a banned diuretic, detected in a doping test prior to the World Cup in South Africa that Australia won without him.

Under CA's anti-doping policy, the training ban covers national, state and even club training.

Warne called it "ridiculous" that six months after his ban he was being told he could not train.

"(It) just seems there are too many agendas with too many people," Warne said, reading from a statement.

"I am going to remove myself from all official training. I have made this decision as I do not want to place any teammates or anyone else in an awkward position.



SHANE WARNE

"I will continue to work on my fitness and my cricket skills by myself and with some friends.

"I know I still have a lot to offer cricket, at what level that is, is out of my control.

"All I can do is to present myself in the best possible way and hope that the powers that be will enjoy my

return (to cricket)."

Warne would not take questions at his press conference, wherein he advised that any issues or allegations concerning his private life would remain private.

Friday's remarks at the Crown Casino were the first comments on the controversy since a fortnight ago when South African woman Helen Cohen Alan accused Warne of sending her raunchy text messages.

A Melbourne stripper has also approached media outlets with allegations of an affair with the leg spinner.

The new allegations follow an admission in August 2000 that Warne made lewd telephone calls to a nurse while playing county cricket in England. He subsequently lost the Australian Test team vice-captaincy over the incident.

Former Test teammate Merv Hughes said the official refusal for Warne to train with his national, state and club sides had affected him.

"I saw him a couple of days ago and he's not the Shane Warne that you know; he's really flat and it just seems to have really gotten hold of him," Hughes said on Friday.
"Shane Warne is a close friend of

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