

Richie Benaud took three wickets without conceding a run against India at Delhi in 1959-60. His figures 3.4-3-0-3.



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Nitol-Tata Super Six Muktijoddha Sangsad vs Mohammedan

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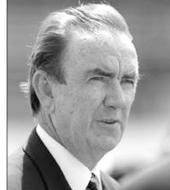
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Bob Simpson

(Former Australia cricket captain) "I don't believe in having too many specialist. If you can't handle things like throwing, then you shouldn't be a coach. A good coach should have strong all-round knowl-



The Bailly Star

Competition closes at 8 pm Sept 12, 2003 and draw shortly afterwards

Who won the Champions Trophy hockey title? Netherlands Australia

2. Who clinched the Europa Khulna College Mastermind Notre

. Bangladesh lost the first Test against Pakistan by: 7 wkts 42 runs

Who became man-of-the-match and South Africa?

Paddlers off to

Asian Junior TT

A six-member Bangladesh table

tennis team left yesterday for Kolkata

to take part in the ninth Asian Junior

Championship to be held in

Bangladesh will only play in

boy's team, boy's singles and boy's

doubles events in the 16-team

Hyderabad from September 2-7.

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competition.

in the 4th Test between England Class...... Roll No......

knockout stage. But the line-up of the last four

last robin league match between Mohammedan and Muktijoddha.

goal victory over Arambagh while Mohammedan dumped the same team 3-0 in their opening

Back in the day's game, it was spirited Wanderers, who dominated their fancied opponents hroughout the 90 minutes.

seen busy defending their own fort much to the disappointment of a few thousand loyal sky blue supporters.

The team comprises four players -Masud Rana Parag, Dhanonjoy Shil Tirtha, Mehedi Hasan and Mohammad Al Helal-- and two officials Zahid Mahmud (manager) and Khandakar Al Mustafa Billa (coach).

Whatmore speechless

Cricket

HASAN MASOOD from Peshawar

The nine-wicket defeat of Bangladesh against Pakistan in the second Test at Peshawar yesterday left coach Day Whatmore shell-

He pointed out lack of mental strength for his team's reversal in the match although they were in charge until yesterday morning.

"I am speechless and at a loss to describe the reversal in this match. Whatmore told a host of reporters Saturday.

"I would say it is a mental thing with the team. They come so far and are unable to give the final push...we were in a position to win the match."

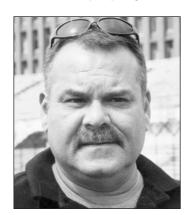
Bangladesh had led by 66 runs after the first innings, making 361 before being skittled for 96 in their second knock on the fourth day.

"Yes, the first three days, I thought t was good except the last session of Friday when we were looking to score some runs in the second innings. We got the lead, talked about shaping the game on the first innings advantage. But it was a total reverse performance in the second innings," he

When asked what was the probem behind the debacle after coming so near to a victory, he said he was still finding it out.

"Oh, I have been thinking and thinking. Well, it has to be something mental because we went so far to earn a victory and just couldn't take the last step. It has to be a mental problem," Whatmore said.

Whatmore added: "The wicket was a bit up and down today. But still, it is a big let-down given that we had won the toss and put up a big total.



DAV WHATMORE

"We had a perfect opportunity to really pursue a victory. It's very disappointing the way we finished it up," he

About fast bowler Shoaib Akhtar, who took ten wickets in the match and won the man-of-the-match award, Whatmore said he really bowled well, but leg-spinner Danish Kaneria was also very impressive.

"I don't know. I hope not. But certainly we were in a position of strength and to be bowled out in just

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33 overs. I'm just speechless." he said in reply to whether his team got carried away with the first innings

About the loss of the series, Whatmore said he was not bothered about that. He said that he had no purpose of

winning the series. He was only concerned about the Bangladesh team's improved performance. "I want them to do well and

mprove. That's all," said the Bangladesh coach, who coached Sri Lanka to World Cup glory in 1996.

Captain Khaled Mahmud looked totally embarrassed with his team's performance. "Until the last session on the third

day we were very much in the match.

It's just that we did not bat well in the second innings. I think they really bowled well and took the match away rom us." he said. When asked to comment on his

coach's thinking that his team was lacking mental strength, Mahmud denied to agree.

"I don't think it was mental. We tried hard in the middle, I mean everybody worked hard. Again I will say Shoaib Akhtar bowled really well which we failed to negotiate," said Mahmud.

"We also bowled well in this match but the batting in the second innings let us down," he added.

When asked what he said to Alok Kapali before he delivered the hattrick ball (on Friday). Mahmud said that he just asked him to deliver the ball straight.



MASHRAFEE MISSES, GUL HITS: The Bangladesh tail-ender is done in by the Pakistan paceman yesterday.

PAKISTAN DIARY

Cricket

HASAN MASOOD from Peshawar

Off-spinner Saglain Mushtag was recalled to national duty when Pakistan named 16-member squad for the third and final Test that begins in Multan on September 3.

Saglain, who last played in a Test against South Africa in January, earned a call-up because he would bolster the team especially with fast bowler Shoaib Akhtar rejoining English county Durham.

According to Pakistan Cricket Board chief selector Aamir Sohail told reporters on Saturday: "Saqlain is a champion bowler and his hunger for the game is renewed. We feel now is the right time to bring him back into the team.'

Saglain, who has taken 205 wickets in 47 Tests, has been ignored since Pakistan failed to make the Super Sixes stage of this year's World Cup.

Batsman Younis Khan also returns after missing the first two Tests due to family commitments. Pakistan have also included

three uncapped players in the squad who recently toured South Africa with the academy team. Opener Salman Butt scored a

double hundred and century on the tour, while batsman Asim Kamal and fast bowler Yasir Ali also impressed.

Nasir have been dropped while Shoaib Malik is ruled out due to a groin injury suffered in the second

PAKISTAN SQUAD: Mohammad Hafeez, Taufiq Umar, Yasir Hameed, Inzamamul Haq, Yousuf Youhana, Younis Khan, Rashid Latif, Saqlain Mushtaq, Shabbir Ahmed, Umar Gul, Danish Kaneria, Farhan Adil, Salman Butt, Yasir Ali, Asim Kamal and Mohammad Khalil.

FIVE YEARS LATER

It took five years to happen but in the end the people of Peshawar had every reason to celebrate when the home side won the second Test by nine wickets to clinch the threematch series 2-0. The third Test starts in Multan on September 3.

Around 5,000 fans gathered at the Arbab Niaz Stadium on Saturday and went home relieved seeing Pakistan, who had lost the previous two Tests at this venue finally break the duck.

Pakistan lost to Zimababwe by seven wickets in November 1998 and suffered a 57-run defeat ah the hands of Sri Lanka in March 2000. Ironically, Dav Whatmore was

the coach of Sri Lanka at the time. But on Saturday even he couldn't lift Bangladesh to a tantalising victory despite taking a useful 66-run first

WI nations can place WC bids

CRICINFO, undated

Caribbean countries can begin applying in November to host natches in cricket's 2007 World

Interested governments have until January 31 to submit applications, said Chris Dehring, managing director of the tournament. Officials must show that their

country's infrastructure meets nternational cricket standards, he "We are not just talking about

"We are dealing with proper airports, marinas and health facili-'These need to be in place for

stadiums," Dehring said.

any country to be considered. The West Indies, which won the first two World Cups in England in 1975 and 1979, will

be hosting the tournament for the

AFP, Peshawar Final scoreboard of the second Test between Bangladesh and Pakistan at the Arbab Niaz Stadium in Peshawar on Saturday:

BANGLADESH: First innings 361 (J Omar 119, H Bashar 97, M Ashraful 77; S Akhtar 6-50) PAKISTAN: First innings 295 (T Umer 75, Y Youhana 64 not out; M Rafique 5-118, A Kapali 3-3) **BANGLADESH:** Second innings

Hannan c Umer b Akhtar Javed c Latif b Akhtar Bashar Ibw b Gul Ashraful c Umer b Kaneria Saleh Ibw b Akhtar Kapali c Latif b Shabbir Mashud Ibw b Akhtar Mahmud Ibw b Kaneria Rafique not out Murtaza b Gul Kabir b Gul Extras: (lb-2, nb-2) Total: (All out in 33.5 overs)

Bowler

10 3 27 Kaneria PAKISTAN: Second innings Hafeez not out Umer c Mashrafee b Mahmud 43

Hameed not out 18 Extras: (lb-1,w-1) Total: (For 1 wkt in 47.3 overs) 165 Did not bat: Inzamam, Youhana,

4.5 1 16

| Latif, Malik, Kaneria, Gul | Akh | tar, | Shabbi | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------|--------|---|
| Bowler | 0 | M | R | ٧ |
| Mashrafee | 7 | 1 | 26 | (|
| Kabir | 7.3 | 1 | 39 | C |
| Mahmud | 14 | 5 | 28 | 1 |
| Rafique | 12 | 2 | 34 | (|
| Kapali | 6 | 0 | 30 | (|
| Ashraful | 1 | 0 | 7 | (|

Result: Pakistan won by 9 wickets and winning 2-0 lead. Man-of-the-match: Shoaib

Umpires: Steve Bucknor (West Indies) and Russell Tiffin (Zimbabwe).

Third Test: September 3-7,

Toss: Bangladesh. Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-20, 3-43, 4-43, 5-64, 6-64, 7-65, 8-75, 9-90

Bode sinks Abahani

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Moulvibazar Wanderers Club entered the last four of the Third Nitol-Tata National Football League in grand style when they pulled off a 1-0 win against giants Abahani

Krira Chakra in a 'Super Six' encounter at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium yesterday.

Nigerian Bode Baba Lola was the hero of the big spending Sylhet outfit scoring the all-important goal n the 26th minute with a spectacular

The victory placed Wanderers at the top of Group A with four points from two games. The pushover-turned-aspirants had earlier inished group champions in the rst round of the final phase.

The outcome also completed the semifinal quorum with Wanderers joining the three top guns --defending champions Mohammedan Sporting Club, last year's runners-up Abahani and Muktijoddha Sangsad KC in the

will be determined after today's

Muktijoddha scored a solitary

A lacklustre Abahani were

Wanderers pressed hard right om the word 'go' and in was in the 26th minute when the Abahani defence buckled under pressure Johnny galloped down the right flank before releasing a nice cross that Bode hit the back of the net

with a bounced header past a hapless Abahani custodian

After conceding the goal Abahani got two chances to come back into the match, but their Nigerian recruit Donald Ague spoiled both chances shooting the ball wide off the mark. The well-built striker frustrated

the popular Dhanmondi outfit again after the break when he failed to capitalise on two good moves down the middle. It was however Abahani captain Nazrul, who spoiled the easiest chance in the 77th minute Mintoo lobbed a fine cross that

beat the Wanderers defence, but Nazrul failed to tap the ball into the net from a handshaking dis-On the other hand. Wanderers

captain Murad Ahmed Milon got a

couple of distinct opportunities to increase the margin. But he somehow managed to drive the ball wide. The metalwork also denied Wanderers at the stroke of the final whistle when a blistering leftfooter from Kabir Hossain deflected off the post

Yellow cards: Gobinda, Milon and Bode Baba (Wanderers).

Moulvibazar Wanderers: Mohammad Ali, Gobinda (Rony), Apu, Deen Mohammad, Milon, Kabir, Masud Khan Jhony (Jalal), Masud Alam, Ladi Baba, Saiful Islam Chanchal and Bode Baba. Abahani KC: Titumir (Nazmir Ahmed), Nazrul, Sila Fode (Parvez Babu), Amit Khan, Mintoo, Prodip Barua, Nayan (Iqbal), Pranatosh, Donald Ague, Khokon and Bulbul. Referee: Abdur Rakib



Abahani defender Amit Khan Shuvro (R) tries to intercept Masud Khan Johnny of Moulvibazar Wanderers during their Nitol-Tata National Football League clash at the Sher-e-Bangla Stadium in Mirpur yesterday.

Champions bounce back

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Defending champions Abahani Krira Chakra returned to winning ways with a 3-0 victory over Ajax Sporting Club in a 'Super Five' battle of the Green Delta Premier Division Hockey League at the Maulana Bhasani National Stadium yesterday.

The win erased their shock 3-2 defeat against Sonali Bank and increased the sky blue's tally to 31 points from twelve matches while Ajax remained on 19 points from eleven matches.

Zahidul Islam Rajan, Ashraf Hossain Shishu and Indian MK Prakash scored for the Dhanmondi outfit in the crucial

The winners led the first half 2-0 when Rajan scored in the 6th minute and Shishu doubled the margin after two minutes. Indian striker Prakash found

the net with a field goal in the third minute of the second half to extend the tally. But the last match of the league between two old foes Abahani and Mohammedan on

September 2 will decide who will

have the last laugh this season. However, Mohammedan might start that big match against their arch-rivals as favourites if they win against Ajax on September 1.

TODAY'S MATCH Sonali Bank v Usha KC (4pm)

Mali UCB's new chief

REUTERS. Durban

ceeding Percy Sonn.

Ray Mali was elected president of the United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA) on Saturday, suc-

Sonn, who had been president

since 2000, did not stand for re-

election and will attempt to further his career in cricket administration at international level. "I am very conscious of the fact that I come from a cricket culture that stretches back more than 100 years but that was marginalised by

apartheid for nearly five decades,

said Mali, 66, who was elected

unopposed. "(The office of UCB president)...is about leadership of cricket in a dynamic South Africa at a time when we are striving to become the world's top cricketing nation," Mali was quoted as saying in a UCB media release after his election in

Telegraph chess

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Minhazuddin Ahmed Sagar and Shamima Akter Liza are sharing the second position with 4.5 points each with four other Indian players after the end of the fifth round games in the Telegraph Schools' Chess in

Nazir Arifeen earned 4 points. Shirin and Evana earned 3.5 points

Another ton-up Akhtar Cricket Khan (362 in 88) head the list with over 300 wickets.

AFP/REUTERS, Peshawar

Express Pakistan pacer Shoaib Akhtar broke another century barrier as he completed his hundred wickets in Test cricket in the second Test against Bangladesh here on

Shoaib dismissed Bangladesh's Rajin Saleh to complete his century of wickets in his 27th Test and became the 11th Pakistani bowler to reach the milestone. The 28-year-old, known as

Rawalpindi Express for his bowling speed, twice recorded deliveries over 100 miles per hour on a speed gun, a unique feat in international The pace bowler took six for 50 in

the first innings and four for 30 in the second to put his team in a winning And taking 10 wickets in a Test

for the first time in his career made him pleased. "Pakistan's victory is the icing on the cake. But from a personal point of view I am very happy at getting 10 wickets on this pitch, which was flat and lifeless for the fast bowlers," he

told Reuters. "All my wickets came because of my speed. It was exhausting out in the middle because of the heat and

humidity. Shoaib, who bowled in an ice jacket during the first innings after feeling unwell on the opening day, added: "Bangladesh have improved since I last played against them. But I think my pace got to them. My spell after lunch on the second day was

the turning point of the match. "I knew I had to bend my back and I did that and the ball also reversed a bit."

He made his Test debut against the West Indies at Rawalpindi in 1997-98, claiming David Williams for his first wicket.

His 50th victim was

Bangladesh's Mohammad Sharif in the Chittagong Test in 2001-02. Wasim Akram (414 in 104 Tests), Waqar Younis (373 in 87) and Imran

Abdul Qadir (236 in 67), Saqlain Mushtaq (205 in 47), Mushtaq Ahmed (183 in 50), Sarfraz Nawaz

(177 in 55), Iqbal Qasim (171 in 50), Fazal Mahmood (139 in 34) and Intikhab Alam (125 in 47) are the other Pakistani bowlers to have taken 100 or more Test wickets.

Shoaib, who had begun the match with 91 wickets in 26 Tests at 27.54 apiece, will miss the third and final Test to rejoin English county Durham but is due to play for Pakistan in the home series against South Africa starting next month.

He hoped injured fellow strike **SEE PAGE 14 COL 1**



BREATHING FIRE: Pakistan fast bowler Shoaib Akhtar hurls down a delivery to Rajin Saleh (not in picture) on the fourth day of the second Test at

| Pesnawar yesterday. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|------|---------|------|---------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Country | Tests | overs | runs | wickets | best | average | 5wkt | | | | | |
| Australia | 7 | 214.2 | 771 | 20 | 5-21 | 38.55 | 1 | | | | | |
| Bangladesh | 3 | 104.5 | 258 | 17 | 6-50 | 15.17 | 1 | | | | | |
| England | 1 | 19 | 64 | 1 | 1-64 | 64.00 | 0 | | | | | |
| India | 1 | 39.3 | 118 | 8 | 4-47 | 14.75 | 0 | | | | | |
| New Zealand | 1 | 8.2 | 11 | 6 | 6-11 | 1.83 | 1 | | | | | |
| South Africa | 3 | 78 | 257 | 6 | 5-43 | 42.83 | 1 | | | | | |
| Sri Lanka | 4 | 121.5 | 431 | 16 | 5-75 | 26.93 | 1 | | | | | |
| West Indies | 3 | 82 | 246 | 12 | 5-24 | 20.50 | 1 | | | | | |
| Zimbabwe | 4 | 131.4 | 431 | 15 | 4-75 | 28.73 | 0 | | | | | |
| Total | 27 | 798.4 | 2587 | 101 | 6-11 | 25.61 | 6 | | | | | |
| FIRST WICKET: David Williams of West Indies at Rawalpindi, 1997-98 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50TH WICKET: Mohammad Sharif of Bangladesh at Chittagong, 2001-02 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BEST: 6-11 against New Zealand at Lahore, 2002-03 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Rules bent for him

Cricket

CRICINFO, New Delhi

government did something illegal by waiving the import duty on Sachin Tendulkar's Ferrari are mistaken they did not break the law, they simply changed it. The government's reply to the

Public Interest Litigation (PIL) filed by VM Bharadwaj, a Mumbai advocate, has established the sequence of events. Tendulkar had been given the car

applied for exemption from customs duty on July 27. On September 4 Jaswant Singh, the finance minister, wrote to Tendulkar saying that the waiver would be approved.

There was a slight problem, though it wasn't legal. Singh's officials informed him that the law

start of a sports tournament as in the case of Ravi Shastri's Audi in



SACHIN TENDULKAR

to be populist, dismissed the objections, stating that they were "not Singh said: "There was no cham-

pionship, but equalling Sir Don Bradman's record of 29 centuries is a landmark achievement. The spirit of the exemption notification is that the prize should reflect a landmark achievement. The duty exemption may therefore be granted."

The government achieved this by bringing about an amendment to the Customs Act, which was proposed during the Financial Bill in February 2003, and eventually became law in May. The amended section, section 25 (2), gives the government sweeping powers to allow customs duty exemptions on a case-to-case basis, with reasons to be recorded in every case.

solicitor general of India who is representing the government in this case, said: "It may not be the intention to benefit any one person. However, Sachin did get the benefit of the amended rules.

Indeed he did.

be granted for a prize that is announced for the winner before the

Those who think that the Indian

on July 8, 2002, for having made his 29th Test century, drawing him level with late Sir Don Bradman. He had

SB Jaisinghani, the additional

1985. Singh, sniffing an opportunity