

Lara leads fightback

Cricket AFP, Durban

Brian Lara and Ridley Jacobs hit half-centuries to save the West Indies from humiliation on the first day of the second Test against South Africa at Kingsmead Friday.

Ntini followed up, reducing West Indies to 17 for four when Daren Ganga and Shivnarine Chanderpaul were caught at first and third slip respectively.

SCOREBOARD Table showing cricket match details including innings, runs, wickets, and extras for both teams.



Grand Master Ziaur Rahman (L) and International Master Reefat Bin Sattar are engaged in a cerebral warfare during their third round match of the Leonine Grand Masters chess tournament at the NSC Conference room yesterday.

SMS powers Veeru

Cricket IANS, New Delhi

It took an SMS from his coach for swashbuckling Virender Sehwag to change his batting stance and the result was a buccaneering 195 on Friday, the opening day of the third Test against Australia at Melbourne.

Nothing going to plan

Cricket SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, Melbourne

Boxing Day at the Melbourne Cricket Ground was where it all began for Steve Waugh 18 years ago. Now, after Saurav Ganguly's superb Indian side yet again ignored the script for Waugh's farewell summer, it could well be where it all ends in a series defeat for the Australian Test captain.

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Cricket SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, Melbourne

While the pitch there was flat and supposedly more like home for the Indians, the MCG would be full of bounce. And while one Australian fast bowler, Jason Gillespie, was out injured, the fastest, Brett Lee, was back and ready to rattle the tourists with bouncers.



HARD DAY'S WORK: Steve Waugh wipes the sweat off his brow at the Melbourne Cricket Ground yesterday.

India bludgeon

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Chopra, more sedate than the audacious Sehwag, attempted a sweep shot off MacGill only to dolly a catch to Katich at short leg just after drinks in the post-lunch session.

NZ resist Shoaib

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At the other end, Richardson battled on, leading the Black Caps recovery with a 53-run partnership with Styris then a 51-run combination with Craig McMillan to give New Zealand a modicum of respectability.

Scoreboard at stumps

Table showing cricket match statistics for NZ vs India, including scores, wickets, and extras.

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Table showing cricket match statistics for South Africa vs West Indies, including scores, wickets, and extras.

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Participants of the BTI Cup Golf tournament are seen with the Chief of Army Staff and president of Kurmitola Golf Club Lt Gen Hasan Mashud Chowdhury (fifth from left) in the inaugural ceremony of the meet yesterday.

Defining Sehwag

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Bracken at long on 11 overs from stumps. "I was not disappointed to get out because the ball was a full toss and that was a loose ball, and I went for it. It didn't matter if I got out," he said.

Kapali impresses

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balls that included eight boundaries. RAJSHAHI V BARISAL Rajshahi were in dire straits losing five wickets for 15 runs after being sent in by home team Barisal at the Barisal Stadium. But as always, Mashud was there to see them through the crisis.

Scoreboards

Table showing cricket match statistics for Dhaka vs Sylhet and Rajshahi vs Barisal, including scores, wickets, and extras.

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Park wins BTI

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Quddus, Ladies Best Gross: C D Hwang, 2nd Best Gross: M Saber Afzal, Runner-up: Maiaz Rahman, 2nd Runner-up: Big Gen Rafiqul Islam, Nearest to Pin: Ft Lt Rahman Ali, Longest Drive: Maiaz Rahman.

CROSSWORD

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer. ACROSS 39 Simba, eventually... 1 Feminine pronoun... 4 House-hold staffer... 8 Incite... 12 Valentine mis-spelling... 13 Right-hand person... 14 In the neighborhood... 15 Will Smith biopic... 16 Tart jelly fruit... 18 Model builder's wood... 20 La-la lead-in... 21 Com-motions... 24 Massage targets... 28 Some of our ancestors watched over them... 32 New Zealand... 33 Literary collection... 34 — Maples Trump... 36 Enthusiast... 37 Cold-shoulder...

Cryptogram puzzle grid with letters and numbers, including a clue: 'Today's Cryptogram Clue: A equals S'.

Joy for Muktis

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With that win, Muktijoddhas raised their tally to four points from three matches. On the other hand, it was Badda's second defeat against a win that kept them glued to three points. Yellow cards: Hasan Al-Mamun and Tushar (Muktijoddha).

Scoreboards

Table showing cricket match statistics for Anwar (Sabur) and Johnny (Milan), including scores, wickets, and extras.



Shaheed mother Begum Rizia Ahmed (L) opens the Shaheed Freedom Fighter Captain Bashir Memorial Cricket League at the Boro Math in Nilphamari yesterday. Local Member of Parliament (MP) Asaduzzaman Noor (3rd from L) was present as the chief guest