



Did U Know?

Paul Collingwood of England scored 134 not out from 252 balls in the first innings of the first Test against India. It was his maiden century.



Roberto Carlos (Real Madrid's Brazilian superstar) "For the players it would be better if the president did not speak so strongly. We play in the best club in the world, we are players who have a high-profile image and we make a lot of money for the club. I think I deserve what I earn."

What to Watch ESPN Sportscentre Live at 8:30 pm English Premier Football League Wigan vs Man United Live at 1:55 am (Tuesday)

DAY'S EVENT 7th Nat'l Cricket League Four-Day Match (Day Four) Barisal vs Dhaka Venue: Barisal Divisional Stadium

More closes door on Ganguly

Sourav Ganguly will not be recalled into the Indian team as long as the present selection committee is in office, Kiran More, the chairman of the five-man committee, told Cricinfo in an interview last evening.

Cruciani drops 4 stalwarts Bangladesh face Cambodia in opener

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Diego Cruciani has dropped four stalwarts Arman Mia, Matur Munna, Feroz Mahmud Titu and Ariful Kabir Farhad from Bangladesh's preliminary squad for next month's AFC Challenge Cup.

very much but he has been carrying a muscle injury for long and has not been 100 per cent fit. His performance has also deteriorated. Munna and Farhad's form in the last few games have been really low," he added.

want players who are strong both mentally and physically," the 41-year-old said adding that his goal against Pakistan was a 'fluke'.



MATIUR MUNNA When asked about Titu, who scored Bangladesh's match winner against Pakistan away in Karachi last December in the Asian Cup pre-qualifier, the Argentine said that he is another injury-prone player.



ARMAN MIA preparation camp last year and during the build-up to last month's two Asian Cup qualifiers.

Zia shares glory

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Bangladeshi Grand Master Ziaur Rahman shared the 1st-6th positions in the ONGC Cup International Open Grandmasters Chess Tournament which concluded in Hyderabad, India yesterday.



Sri Lanka spinner Muttiah Muralidaran walks out of the Sonargaon Hotel to board the team bus for Bogra on Sunday.

Tigers off to Bogra

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Bangladesh and Sri Lanka cricket teams left Dhaka for Bogra yesterday for the second and final Test of the series.

Ctg, Rajshahi on top



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Rajshahi and Chittagong stormed to the top of the first-class table of the Ispahani Seventh National Cricket League with outright victories against their respective oppositions yesterday.

CHITTAGONG-SYLHET Resuming on 198-8, Sylhet were forced to follow-on at the Dhanomdi Cricket Stadium when they were bundled out for 214 in the first innings in reply to Chittagong's mammoth 579.

Nazmus Sadat was dismissed on 151, studded with 17 fours and one six in 240 deliveries.

Draw after late drama Jaffer hits ton in comeback match



AFP, Nagpur

and accepted the umpires' offer of bad light. Pathan had hit a 25-ball 35 while Tendulkar was unbeaten on 28 as India ended on 260-6, 108 runs adrift of the England target with 11.4 overs remaining.



India opener Wasim Jaffer plays a square drive on the fifth day of the first Test against England at Nagpur on Monday.

scalps in the first innings, again looked the most dangerous bowler early on as he tested both Jaffer and Dravid in a disciplined seven-over opening spell.

LATEST SPORTS REPORTER Australia won the third one-dayer to keep the five-match series alive with a 24-run victory over hosts South Africa at St George's Park in Port Elizabeth on Sunday.

Ponting back with vengeance



AFP, Port Elizabeth

small ground which has yielded some high totals. Conditions looked good for batting but the pitch was slow and the Australian batsmen struggled to time the ball against accurate bowling, while South Africa fielded well.

Yuvraj back for second Test

CRICINFO, undated

Cook hailed



AFP, London

England captain added. "Mind you, some of us were still like that after 100 Tests and a decade at the top." Cook has been mentioned by Atherton's old opening partner Graham Gooch and the Essex and Graham great, himself a former Test skipper, told the tabloid News of the World.

Akram wishes Murali to take 1500 wkts

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Former Pakistan cricket captain Wasim Akram wished Muttiah Muralidaran to scalp 1500 international wickets.



Wasim Akram takes questions from reporters during a press conference at an agreement-signing ceremony with Riz Events on Sunday. Rizwan Bin Farouq, the managing director of the company, is also seen.

The only other change in the 15-man squad is the return of Yuvraj Singh, recovered from the hamstring strain that ruined his match-winning century in the final ODI against Pakistan at Karachi.