Tenth Asian Club Cup Championship

Rates of tickets announced



The rates of the tickets for the Asian Club Cup ch ampi on shi p, scheduled to begin in Dhaka for

July 19-22, was announced by the Bangladesh Football Federation in a press release issued vesterday.

Eight champion teams of Asia will be competing in the 11-day tournament, to be hosted by the BFF under the aegis of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

The teams have been divided into two groups with Al-

E Bengal, Cal. MSC clash today Sports Reporter

East Bengal and Calcutta Mohammedan Sporting will meet each other today in the Calcutta Super Division football league match.

The match will kick-off at 4.30 pm (BST).

Kaiser Hamid, Imtiaz Sultan Johnny, Manik, Kanan and Rehan, the five Bangladeshi players are already in Calcutta, and most of them are expected play for Calcutta Mohammedans today.

Munna, Aslam and Rumi are already playing for East Bengal and probably be playing today in this crucial encounter.

Lot of interests have been generated among the Dhaka crowd, with the Abahani fans supporting East Bengal as their club stars are playing for them while Dhaka Mohammedan fans will be supporting Calcutta Mohammedan as their favourite booters will be playing for them.

East Bengal are yet to drop a point while Mohammedans have drawn a match.

Dahari dead KUALA LIMPUR, July 12:

Mokhtar Dahari, a leading Asian soccer forward in the 1970s, died Thursday at the Subang Jaya Medical Center. He was 39, reports AP.

Family members said Mokhtar had been suffering since 1988 from a disease that caused deterioration of the muscles, and was admitted to the center Wednesday when his condition worsened.

Mokhter began playing for Selangor state in 1972 when he was 19, and won the nickname "Supermokh."

He last represented Malaysia in 1985 in World Cup qualifying rounds in Scout. South Korea.

Mokhtar is survived by his wife, Tengku Zarina Tengku Ibrahim, and three children.

Sports Reporter Nasser Club of Oman, P S 25 Pelita Jaya of Indonesia, Al-

Ramatha of Jordan and Liaoning FC of China being clustered into Group A and Dhaka Mohammedan Sporting Club, Isteghal SC of Iran, Bangkok Bank Club of Thailand, April 25 of North Korea

making up Group B. Two matches will be held

The rate of the gallery tickets for robin league will be Taka 20. The rate of tickets for each semifinal will be Taka 20 with the third place play-off and final tickets costing Taka

UEFA changes Cup venues

GENEVA, July 12: European football's government body, UEFA, made the following venue changes to the Cup draws announced earlier on Thursday, reports AFP.

European Cup Winners Cup: Eisenhuttenstadt (German Bundesliga) V Galatasaray Istanbul (Turkey UEFA Cup).

Steaua Bucharest (Romania) V Anorthosts Samagust (Cyprus) Ossasuna Pamplona (Spain) V Slavia Sofia (Bulgaria); VAC Izzo (Hungary) Dynamo Moscow (USSR); Real Madrid (Spain) V Slovan Bratislava (Czech).

Marseille triumph

PARIS, July 12: French champions Olympique Marseille won the Paris exhibition tournament here on Thursday night, beating Flamengo of Brazil 1-0.

Paris St. Germain took third place with a 2-1 victory over Portugal's Sporting Club.

The VIP Gate Number 1 and season ticket will cost Taka 400 and Taka 35 for club officials. VIP Gate No-2 will be sold at Taka 300 and 250 for club officials.

VIP Gate No-3A will cost Taka 250 and Taka 200 for club officials. VIP Gate No-3B will be of Taka 200 and 150 for club officials.

The season tickets for Gate No-21 for players will cost Taka 100 each. All galleries' season tickets will be sold at Taka 100.

AFC have appointed Mr Chandra Sen (Malaysia) as its chief representative in the tourney. Mr A R Khalil of India will be the chairman of the disciplinary committee.

The AFC has also released name of the referees who will be conducting the Club Cup matches. They are: Rustam Baquer (Qatar, incharge of referees). Sayeed Salem (UAE), Yousuf Ahmed (Bahrain), Y Abewapansa (Sri Lanka). Rajamanhika (Singapore). Subramaniam (Malaysia) and Sham Shrestha (Nepal).

The BFF will provide the conducting referees with free tickets, first class hotel lodging, laundry and transport facilities. Referees will receive daily fifty US dollars each as pocket allowance and another 50-US-dollar for conducting each match.

The participating seven foreign teams will stay in Hotel Purbani, while the foreign referees will be staying at Sundarban Hotel

The AFC's representatives will be staying at the Sheraton Hotel.

The BFF also announced the budget of the tournament which will be of Taka 44 lakh.

Navy sail into final

Sports Reporter

The reigning national champions Bangladesh Navy out gunned Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) by 86-65 points to cruise into final of the BGIC Cup 15th national basketball championship yesterday at the wooden-floor basketball gym-

In yesterday's first semifinal, Bangladesh Navy came up with a swashbuckling style to shoot out the free-flowing ri-

Navy led 42-33 at half time. BDR; last year's runners-up and one of the most consistent teams of this tournament. looked a rugged out from the beginning of their semifinal

encounter

Aminur, one of the BDR'S prolific scorer, was tightly marked by Navy's defence thus cutting BDR half into size.

The six-footer Ghoshwami, the leading scorer for Navy in the previous matches, once again proved his mettle by dunking 36 points. He was followed by another six-footer Seraj with 24 points. Ayub with 24 and Aminul with 20 points were the prominent BDR

Favourites Bangladesh Army will take on inter-university champions Dhaka University in the second semifinal today at 4

Pakistan leads Asia-Middle East bridge meet Bangladesh beat S Arabia

NEW DELHI, July 12 Unbeaten Pakistan maintained its position on top with 168 victory points after eight round in the open team event of the Gold Flake Asia and Middle East bridge championship

here yesterday, reports PTI. Egypt continued to hold the second spot with 154 victory points (VPs) while Bangladesh was third with 136 VPs. Hosts India were placed fifth with 114 points.

Beginning the day with a 21-9 win against Bang-ladesh, the Pakistan squad whizzed past defending champion Egypt 18-12 in the post-lunch

Egypt, however, recovered from that setback to thrash Mauritius 20-10.

Bangladesh, riding the crest of a vastly improved display this year, made light of a 9-21 reverse against Pakistan. defeating Saudi Arabia 20-10 in the noon session.

Reunion Island fell back having tasted two consecutive defeats against Sri Lanka (4-25) and Mauritius (8-22). Mauritius moved up to the

Skah to skip 5,000 metres at Tokyo

ATHENS, July 12 Moroccan Khalid Skah, beaten by compatriot Brahim Boutayeb in the Mediterranean Games 5,000 metres final, said on Thursday he would not take part in the event in next month's World Championships in Tokyo, reports Reuter.

He said he had aimed to win both the 5,000 and 10,000 titles a feat yet to be achieved at the World Championships.

"I think it's better if I play it safe and go for the longer race," the world cross-country champion said.

"My form can still improve but I feel I don't quite have the finishing kick, much needed for the 5,000 metres."

fourth place by virtue of a significant 22-8 win against Reunion. India, smarting under a

shock 3-25 defeat at the hands of leaders Pakistan, went down 8-22 against Saudi Arabia in the morning. The team, however, made up lost ground by downing Jordan 25-1 to take the fifth spot.

Egypt continued to reign supreme in the ladies event at the end of the fifth round with 97 VPs. The leaders thrashed Sri Lanka 25-4 Indian women took the

second spot with 80 VPs following their drawn game (15-15) against Pakistan. Sri Lanka trailed in the third place with 53 VPs. Points tally after the eighth

Pakistan - 168 VPs; Egypt - 154 VPs: Bangladesh - 136 VPs; Mauritius — 115 VPs; India -114 VPs; Saudi Arabia -113 VPs; Reunion - 108 VPs; Sri Lanka — 87 VPs; Jordan — 85 VPs.

Brazil, Colombia fail to win steadfastly refused to call them, saying he wants to prepare a team "with what we

soccer champion Brazil on Thursday was held to a 1-1 tie by Uruguay in a hard-fought Fonseca, Rubean Sosa and America Cup match, reports

In the first game of the doubleheader, the surprising young Bolivia team tred 1-1 with favourite Colombia.

VINA DEL MAR, Chile, July

12: Defending South American

Joao Paulo, a fast winger who plays for Bari of the Italian league, scored at 39 minutes on a pass from Renato to put Brazil (2-0-0) ahead.

But Peter Mendez, who plays for Defensor, a small club of Montevideo, scored the equalizer for Uruguay (0-0-3) at 66 minutes.

Brazil, displaying its traditionally brilliant game, easily dominated the Uruguayans during the first half. But it was unable to increase its advantage against Urugauay's tight defense, led by veteran Felipe Revelez, 31, who plays for

Nacional of Montevideo. In the second half, the Uruguayans took control and kept the pressure over the Brazilian defense and goalkeeper Taffarel, who stars for

Uruguay is playing here without its Europe-based stars. such as Carlos Aguilera, Rubean

Head coach Luis Cubilla

have at home" to seek a spot among the 24 finalists in the 1994 World Cup in the United has gone into virtual hiding.

Chang struggles



TOKYO, July 12: Michael Chang of the United States raced to a 6-0, 6-3 victory, but needed extra effort

at the final moment to beat Luis Herrera of Mexico in the first round of the 250,000dollar Gunze world tennis tournament here Thursday, reports AFP.

The 19-year-old Chinese American, who became the youngest-ever-French Open champion two years ago, completely dominated the first set. giving only seven points to Herrera, and went on to take a commanding 5-2 lead in the

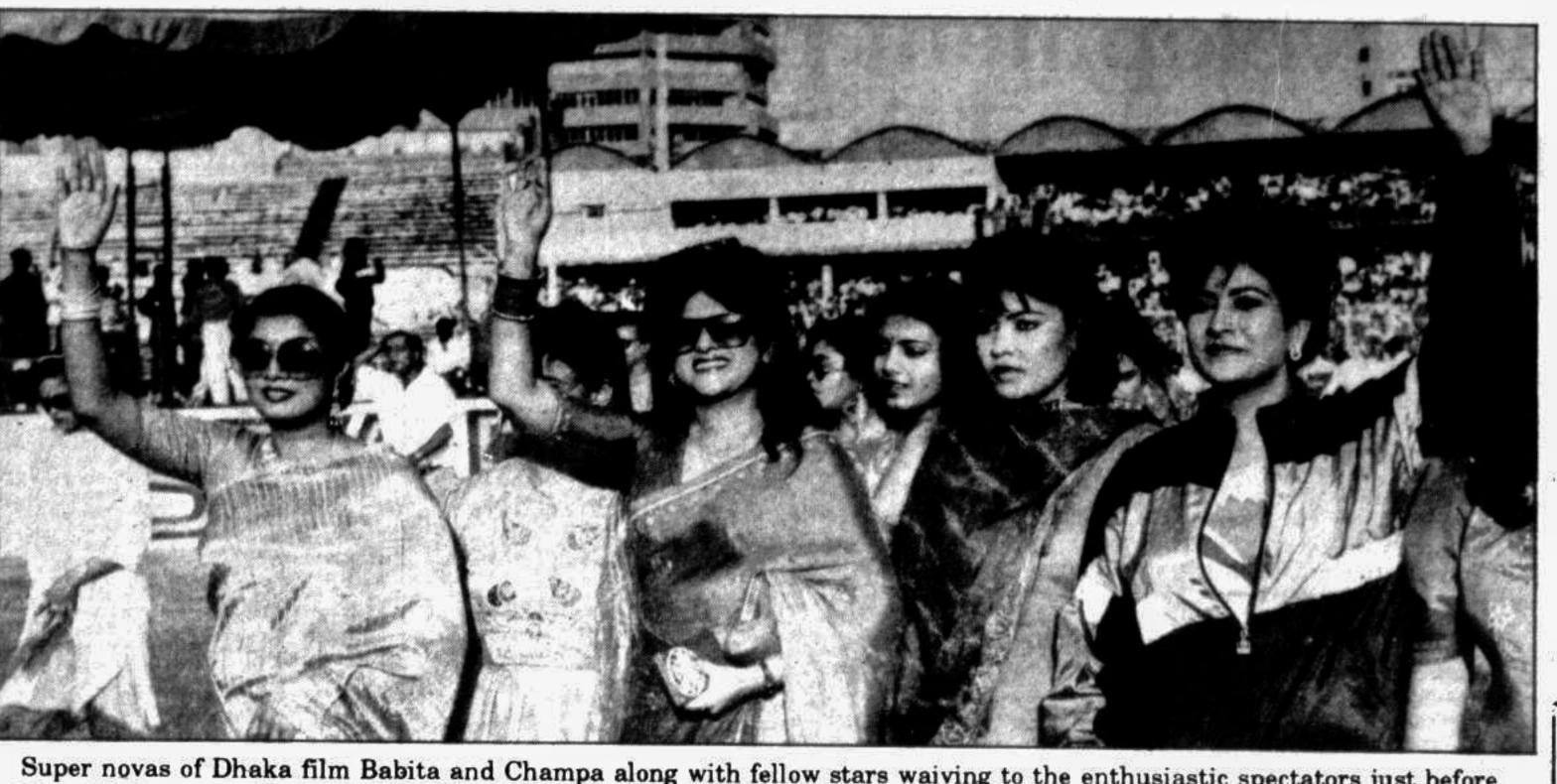
But the Mexican, a surprise winner over current French Open champion Jim Courter in

the Davis Cup meet in March, suddenly came alive, firing two service winners and an ace to hold the eighth game at love and led 40-15 in the following

The two players fought point for point with Herrera missing nine break points and Chang six match points until finally the American's powerful forehand shot just landed on the Mexican's left-hand corner for a clean winner.

"This one is probably the longest-ever game I had," said Chang. "Luis is one of the upand-coming players and he's done quite well this year. he started playing better and better as the match went on."

"It's always difficult when out before her second round you serve for the match.



Super novas of Dhaka film Babita and Champa along with fellow stars waiving to the enthusiastic spectators just before kick-off of yesterday's charity bazaar at Dhaka Stadium. -Star photo

SA left out of '92 World Cup

Cowdrey said "We have given

them our good wishes because

South Africa has satisfied all

the things we have hopped for

an asked for over many years

Cowdrey said at a news confer-

world's other major cricket-

playing nations - including

England, India, Pakistan and

the West Indies - now are

possible, as well as visits to

those nations by a South

tor of the UCBSA and the cap-

tain of the South African na-

tional team when the interna-

tional ban was first imposed in

1970, said "this is the happi-

"The news today will be a

great motivating factor, in

stimulating cricket in all sec-

tions of our society," said

Bacher, who thanked South

African President FW de Klerk

and representatives of the

African National Congress for

making the ICC readmission

Steve Tshwe'te, the ANC of

ficial in charge of sports mat

ters, actively lobbied in recent

Ali Bacher, managing direc-

African national team.

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possible.

Tours of South Africa by the

and much more than that,'

LONDON, July 12 South Africa will not be included in next year's World Cup of

cricket because that nation's readmission to world cricket has come too to allow proper scheduling, reports AP.

The International Cricket Council, which a day earlier had welcomed South Africa back to international play after a 21-year absence, said Thursday it would be impossible to make wholesale changes less than a year before the tournament

The World Cup will be held in Australia and New Zealand

Windies held by Minor Countries

DARLINGTON, England July 12: West Indies were held to a draw on Thursday after Minor Countries avoided the follow-on with a late fight back in their two-day match. reports Reuter.

Ironically, it was Jamaicanborn Rupert Evans who helped save the day for the Countries with a half century in an unbeaten last wicket stand of 101 with Dorset's Neil Taylor. Taylor made 52 not cut.

The two transformed the game after Minor Countries had slumped to 155 for nine in their first innings, needing 201 to avoid the follow-on. They eventually declared on 256 for nine. West Indies, 300 for eight

declared in their first innings. raced to 34 without loss in the second but then lost three wickets in the space of the opening nine overs. Opener Clayton Lambert

went for 23 and Keith Arnold then had Riche Richardson caught behind for nought. Brian Lara, who boosted his

claims for a place in the West Indies Test team with an impressive 82 on Wednesday, was bowled by Arnold for 13. West Indies were 55 for

three but opener Phil Simmons halted the slide and finished with 78 not out. Carl Hooper hit an unbeaten 41 and his team finished on 163 for

The

next

That's the word from

Gerard Smith, the executive

director of the Women's

Tennis Association. He's been

trying to arrange a meeting

with Seles since she withdrew

from Wimbledon because of a

arranged," Smith said

Thursday. "She knows I want

to speak with her, and I be-

lieve she is anxious to speak

with me to resolve the matter."

Wimbledon three days before

the tournament, which began

June 24, the 17-year-old Seles

Since withdrawing from

'lt's currently

reports AP

minor accident"

BURG, July 12:

mystery may not

be resolved until

Monica

week.

being

in February and March.

"There would be very significant logistical difficulties," said Dave Richards, chief executive of the Australia Cricket Board. "It would have meant moving heaven and earth."

The ICC also voted Thursday to continue a fiveyear ban against 16 English Cricket players who toured South Africa on a 'rebel' tour last winter.

The world cricket body said it would review the ban against the players next July.

One-time English cricket captain Mike Gatting and 15 other players were paid up to dlrs 160,000 apiece for the 1990 tour, which was cut short by protests in South

The cricketers who went on the tour were told in advance that they would be banned for five years if they made the trip, outlawed at the time by the ICC.

Earlier report said, one day after its return to the Olympic movement, South Africa was readmitted Wednesday to international play in one of its most popular sports — cricket. ICC Chairman Colin

LONDON, July 12

: Struggling En-

gland batsman

Graeme Hick

Worcestershire

Thursday, reports Reuter

first five Test innings, fell for

pounded when he dropped

Hugh Morris off the bowling of

Neil Redford at second slip.

in reply when bad light and

Northamptonshire into the

quarter-finals by a nine-wicket

declining to step forward and

explain why she pulled out of

out varied. They ranged from

Seles being involved in a minor

car crash to shin splint to one

British tabloid that speculated

she was pregnant. There were

even reports that she stayed

away from Wimbledon in order

to maintain her No. 1 ranking

for a full year and earn bonus

The WTA fined Seles

Smith said his conversation

with Seles, who won the first

two Grand Slam events — the

Australian and French Opens —

would go beyond the

my mind," Smith said. "I have a

There are other things on

money from her racket spon-

\$6,000 when she withdrew.

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Wimbledon affair.

Reports of why she backed

the Grand Slam event.

Glamorgan were 19 for two

Alan Fordarm powered

the ball going for four.

rain ended play early.

His misery was com

Hick fails again margin with a superb unbeaten 132 against Leicestershire.

He hit three sixes and 12

fours in a 134-ball blast to

record the highest individual failed again as score by a Northamptonshire reached 233 for nine off 60 player in the competition. James Whitaker had earlier against unfenced Glamorgan in the Natwest set the tempo with 94 not out Trophy second round on 135 deliveries as

Leicestershipre totalled 255 Zimbabwe-born Hick, who has made just 55 runs from his DONALD EXTENDS DEAL

Another report says. South African fast bowler Allan

Donald had accepted an

extended three-year contract

with Warwickshire. The deal will take him to the end of the 1994 English

Donald, from Orange Free State, heads the first class averages this season with 48

odically discuss with the top

players. I had hoped to have

dinner with her at

Seles sightings in Florida,

where she surfaced briefly at

Donald Trump's Palm Beach

estate Mar-A-Lago. There also

Newsweek showing Seles

wearing a wig and leaving a

next week in a tournament in

Mahwah, New Jersey an ap-

pearance that tournament offi-

cials say has been confirmed by

her representatives at

International Management

sanctioned by the WTA and

Seles reportedly is to receive a

six-figure appearance fee.

The Mahwah event is not

Seles is scheduled to play

a photograph in

There have been several

championship wickets.

Seles mystery may end at Mahwah

Wimbledon.

limousine.

Group

months for South Africa's return to international cricket. "Steve and the ANC have in-

spired us to bury our differences and he will go down in history as one of the true statesmen of world cricket," Bacher said. Reaction among South

African cricketers, many of whom play for English clubs, was ecstatic.

"I am going to find a bottle of champagne," said Allan Donald, who plays for Warwickshire. "I thought we might be readmitted in two or three years time. but I'm delighted that it has come so

"It's what I have been waiting for and what every young South African cricketer has been waiting for."

Gooch, Marshall head ratings

LONDON, July 12: England batsman Graham Gooch and West Indies pace ace Malcolm Marshall head the latest world cricket ratings, reports AFP.

Gooch leads an England one-two in the batting, with spot after jumping eight places, while Marshall narrowly edges Pakistan quickie Wagar Younus out of top slot. Leading cricket ratings:

(England) 885 points, 2. Robin Smith (England) 847. 3 Richie Richardson (W. Indies) 817, 4. Shoib Mohammed (Pakistan) 773, 5. Mark Taylor (Australia) 742, 6. Imran Khan Pakistani 740, 7. Salim Malik (Pakistan) 739, 8. Martin Crowe (NZ) 721, 9. Desmond Haynes (W.Indies) 720, 10. Mohammad Azharuddin (India)710.

 Malcolm Bowling Marshall (W. Indies) 856, 2 Waqar Younus (Pakistan) 852, 3. Curtly Ambrose (W. Indies) 807, 4. Ian Bishop (W. Indies 764. 5. Imran Khan (Pakistan) 6. Wasim Akram (Pakistan) 747, 7. Craig McDermott (Australia) 727, 8. Angus Fraser (England) 696, 9. Bruce Reid (Australia) 686, 10. Merv Hughes (Australia) 658.

event would be in San Diego

"I believe she has every in-

AFP adds in an earlier re-

port, Monica Seles continued

to evade attempts by the

Women's Tennis Association

here to contract the world

number one in the wake of her

mysterious withdrawal from

has been trying to talk to the

Yugoslav since she pulled out

of Wimbledon three days be-

fore the tournament began,

week when Seles is slated to

play in an exhibition in

Mahwah, New Jersey. Her next

scheduled tournament is in

San Diego, California, starting

The mystery may end next

citing a 'minor accident'.

Smith said Thursday that he

tention of playing in it." he

the week of July 29.

Wimbledon.

Robin Smith occupying second

Batting: 1. Graham Gooch The other quarterfinals . feature No. 2 seed Magnus Gustafsson of Sweden against

fellow Swede Jan Gunnarsson. Stefan Edberg, jor clay-court tournament

WELLINGTON, July 12 cials aid today he was disap-Cricket Council's (ICC) deci-

Cowdrey had said earlier in London that South Africa's admission would involve a "very, very complicated change of programme" but New Zealand cricket chairman Peter McDermott said the obstacles could have overcome.

World Cup with Australia.

had the opportunity to discuss the South African involvement. Any real differences could have been overcome but there were some problems and obviously the chairman didn't feel it was worth it."

The ICC on Wednesday ended South Africa's 21-year absence from world cricket by electing the United Cricket Board of South Africa to immediate full membership.

Bablee, Tanima maintain lead

Tanima Parveen and Afroza

Tantma and Afroza playing

Rani Hamid, Shabana Parveen and Rokhsana Gulshan were placed jointly in the second place with 32 points each.

Meanwhile in the 11th national sub-juntor chess championship, Syed Ruhul Shiplu Shawkat Hossain, Khairul Hassan and Ali Ahad with full four points were leading the table after the completion of the fourth round matches yes-

Tang pulls out, Huang sent packing match because of unspecified round, continued her good

long list of things that I peri- Smith said Seles' next WTA

onesia, July 12: World cha-mpion Tang Ji-ughong of China pulled out of the Indonesian

badminton championships here while joint third seeds Sarwendah Kusumawardhani of Indonesia and Huang Hua of China crashed out on the second day of the tournament Thursday, reports AFP.

In the men's singles, the top seeds with the exception of joint fifth seed Malaysia's Rashid Sidek and Indonesia's Eddy Kurniawan cruised on to the quarterfinals without much resistance. Tang, the number one seed

in the women's singles, pulled

iliness while Sarwendah lost against India's Madhumita as she played with a foot injury sustained while robbing the Malaysia Open title from Tang last week. On the third round for

Thursday, South Korea's rising star Bang Soo-Hyun scored an upset win against the more senior Huang, the 1991 Japan open champion. Bang's accurate play and deadly drop shots, coupled with her top stamina, easily

overpowered Huang, who lost

the game in a straight 4-11. 0-

women's singles, held later

Second seed Susi Susanti from Indonesta, who eastly trashed England's Joane Muggeridge in the second

performance on the third round by defeating compatriot Linda Djaela Wijaya. South Korea placed another two to the quarterfinals after

Lee Heung Soon, the joint fifth seed, easily beat Japan's Mizui Hisako while Shum Eun-Jung. had a tougher time defeating Fresh from her recent kilion the second round Madhumita played aggressively

in the first set but exhausted by Shum's long rally play, she became an easy prey for the South Korean who came back with a vengeance on the second and third set. Shum took the game 4-11, 11-2, 11-4.

Zhou Let of China defeated Kim Ji-Hyun of South Korea in

a tough rubber set to become her country's only hope for the Also moving up to the

> quarterfinals were Indonesia's Meiluawati and Yuliani Santoso and Sweden's Christine Magnusson. In the men's third round

> top seed Ardy Wiranata of Indonesia and second seed Wu Wenkai of China made an easy job of finishing their matches against Indonesia's Arief and Hermawan Susanto respec-

The joint third seeds, Indonesia's Allan Budi Kusuma and China's Liu Jun, also defeated their opponents, respectively Steve Buttler of England and Herianto Arbi of Indonesia in straight sets.

ciation was held at Dhaka Stadium yesterday in aid of the April 29 cyclone victims of the country. Stage Minister for Informa-

tion Md Nurul Huda and State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeq Hossain were present and met the players before the kick-off.

Film artistes

win charity tie

Sports Reporter

tween Bangladesh Film Artis-

tes Association and Bangladesh

Football Players' Welfare Asso-

A charity football match be-

The renowned film artistes of the country took part in the match.

The Film Artistes defeated football players by 5-3 goals. The match was followed by a colourful variety show.

Volkov extended by Pernfors

BASTAD, Sweden, July 12: Third-seeded Alexander Volkov was extended to three sets before finally overcoming Mikael Pernfors 6-4, 4-6, 6-4 on Thursday in the second round of the Swedish Open tennis championships, reports AP. Pernfors, a 1986 French Open finalist who has slipped to 272nd on the ATP tour computer after a long injury, led 4-1 in the opening set. But the Swede, a former two-time US college singles champion at the University of Georgia, rallied from 1-3 to win the second set.

Volkov, a Soviet ranked 25th in the world, dominated the decisive set from the outset and prevailed after taking a 5-2 lead.

Also advancing to the quarterfinals were Alberto Mancini of Argentina and two Swedes, Magnus Larsson and Lars Jonsson. The other secondround matches in the dlrs 250,000 tournament were played Wednesday.

Mancini also needed three

sets to advance, beating

Claudio Pistolesi of Italy 3-6, 6-3, 6-2. He will play Larsson, a finalist here last year, in Friday's quarterfinals. Larsson, who has beaten top-ranked players Boris Becker and Stefan Edberg this year, needed just 52 minutes

Lars-Anders Wahlgren 6-0, 6-3. Jonsson, who has not dropped a set so far, easily beat former Swedish Open a champion Marcelo Filippini of Uruguay 6-1, 6-2. His next opponent is Volkov.

to knock out Swedish qualifier

Pablo Arraya of Peru and Christian Bergstrom against

playing his country's only ma-

NZ disappointed

New Zealand's top cricket offipointed with the International sion not to allow South Africa to compete in next year's World Cup, reports Reuter. ICC Chairman Colin

The country is hosting the

"We accept the ruling of the Chairman of the ICC. I guess it's with reluctance because our Board has not actually discussed the matter. McDermott said today "I feel that we could have

Sports Reporter

Khanam Bablee maintained their joint lead on top of the points table after the comple tion of the fifth round matches of the 12th national women's chess championship yesterday at the National Sports Council's chess room.

each other, had to settle for a International woman master