Rodney Martin

clawed back from

a game down Sat-

urday to clinch

his first appeara-

nce in a World Open squash

final and end Chris Dittmar's

ambition of a hometown

seed, fresh from his three-

game demolition of world No.

1 Jansher Khan on Friday

night, dissolved the crushing

expectations of victory that

had shadowed Dittmar over

first 10 points, edged out the

fourth-seeded Dittmar 5-15 .

15-13, 17-14 and 15-13 in

tency in the past, pointed to

pre-tournament help from a

sports psychologist for getting

him fully focussed for the

chologist leading up to the

tournament just to get a few

hints of how to concentrate a

bit more and not let things

worry me," said the 25-year-

get uptight and worry about a

few decisions that may go

Lynagh, is the father of

Michael Lynagh, the world-

record pointscoring Wallaby

spirits on the international

squash circuit, needed to be

switched on after Dittmar

playing that kind of squash for

"I play better when I don't

Martin's psychologist, lan

Martin, one of the freer

"I have seen a sports psy-

Martin, plagued by inconsis-

Martin, who conceded the

The technically-rich fifth

triumph, reports AFP.

the past few months.

just more than an hour.

World Open.

old Martin.

against me."

rugby union player.



Pakistan's Waseem Firoze (R) dives to flick the ball into South Korea's goal during Friday's match in the Sultan Azlan Shah hockey meet in Ipoh. Pakistan won 8-0.

India lift Azlan Shah Cup



Aug 3: India hockey. carved out a decisive 3-0 win over the Soviet Union today to left the Sultan

Azlan Shah Cup for field hockey after an unbeaten run in the six-nation tournament, reports AFP.

The victory for India, currently ranked 10th in the world, lifted New Delhi's hopes of making it to the Barcelona Olympics at qualifying rounds to be played in Auckland, New Zealand, in September.

"The victory is a great morale booster," said jubilant Indian coach Balkishen Singh, a former Olympian. He said India was now ready to return to the top ranks of world

Jagdev Singh shot India into the lead in the 15th minute through a penalty corner that had Soviet keeper Vladimir Pleshakov completely

The Soviets, holding the sixth spot in the world ranking, tried to make an even contest of the game but repeatedly failed to find the final touch after penetrating the Indian goal area.

Mukesh Kumar scored off a penalty corner taken by Jagdev Singh in the 22nd minute to give India a 2-0 lead at half-

The Soviets pressed hard in the second half but Igor Julchiew was disallowed for sticks after clearly beating Indian keeper Ashishi Ballal in the 49th minute.

The Indians responded with a quick counterattack that saw Edgar Mascarenhas beat Pleshakov off a Darryl D'Souza pass a minute later to put India three up.

STANDINGS

Standings after Saturday's game between India and the Soviet Union in the Azlan Shah Cup international field hockey tournament: GP W D L GF GA Pts

India	5	5	0	0	12	13	10
Pakistan	4	3	0	1	20	6	6
Soviet Union	5	1	2	2	9	10	4
Malaysta	4	1	1	2	7	10	3
South Korea	4	0	2	2	3	13	2
New Zealand	4	0	1	3	3	12	1
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Pakistanis drub hosts 8-3



IPOH, Aug 3: Pakistan registered an 8-3 win over Malaysia to take second place in the sixnation Sultan

Azlan Shah invitational field hockey championships here Saturday, reports AFP. Pakistan led 2-1 at the in-

terval. The homesters were put under tremendous pressure by

the fast moving Pakistanis from the start. The Malaysians first cracked in the 11th minute

when M. Khalid moved up from the defence and relayed the ball to Aijaz Ahmad to beat keeper Paul Lopez.

Hardly had the Malaysians recovered than Pakistan dealt another blow.

Skipper Shahbaz Ahmad accepted a long pass from Aijaz and pushed it to Shehbaz Jr to

Malaysia tried hard to make a comeback, but the tight Pakistan defence gave no room

score in the 12th minute.

to launch attacks.

After missing a penalty corner, Malaysia scored in the 30th minute when K. Embaraj took a direct hit off another penalty corner. In the second half, Pakistan

continued their onslaught with Waseem Feroze making it 3-1 in the 37th minute.

Four minutes later. Tahir Zaman made it 4-1 while Khalid Bashir and Waseem Feroze scored a goal each to extend the lead by the 50th

The Malaysians reduced the deficit to 6-2 in the 53rd minute through Mohamad Hadi, but then Pakistan hit back again, scoring two goals in succession through Khalid Bashir and Shahbaz Ahmad for an 8-2 lead.

In the closing stages of the match. Malaysia scored through Gary Fidelis to reduce the defict to 8-3.

NZ beat Koreans

In another match. New Zealand beat South Korea 2-0

for its first win in the six-nation championships, on the final day of play, Saturday.

The victory allowed the New Zealanders to finish in fifth place with a win, draw and three losses, and consigned the South Koreans, who had only two draws in their five games, to the cellar.

Both the game's goals were scored in the first half, and New Zealand scored the fastest goal in the championships when Craig Russ scored off a penalty corner in the first minute.

Before the Koreans could recover from that setback, the Kiwis struck again as Greg Russ dribbled past two defenders to score in the fifth minute.

The youthful Koreans, represented by the team which finished fourth in the recent Student Games in England, forced seven penalty corners in the second half, but the New Zealanders put up a

formidable defence.

Holyfield to top'em all



3: Undisputed world heavyweight boxing champion Evander Holyfield

is expected to top the list in earnings this year among the world's professional athletes, reports

Forbes Magazine, in its August 19 issue, estimated Holyfield's gross earnings for 1991 at a little more than 60

million dollars. Former champion Mike Tyson, who faces Holyfield in

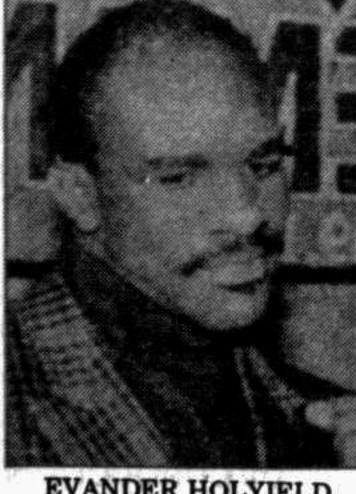
November, is second with earnings estimated at 31.5

WTA's top 20

Following are the top 20 women's singles players. according to latest rankings issued by the Women's Tennis Association in St Petersburg.

Monica Seles (Yugoslavia); 2. Steffi Graf (Germany); 3. Gabriela Sabatini (Argentina); 4. Arantxa Sanchez Vicario (Spain); 5. Martina Navratilova (US); 6. Mary Joe Fernandez (US); 7. Conchita Martinez (Spain); 8. Jana Novotna (Czechoslovakia): 9. Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere (Switzerland); 10. Jennifer Capriati (US); 11. Zina Garrison (US): 12. Katerina Maleeva (Bulgaria); 13. Leila Meskhi (Soviet Union); 14. Nathalie Tauziat (France); 15. Helena Sukova (Czechoslovakia); 16. Barbara Paulus (Austria); 17. Anke Huber (Germany): 18. Judith Wiesner (Austria); 19. Amy Frazier (US): 20. Natalia

Zvereva (Soviet Union).



EVANDER HOLYIELD million dollars, followed by Chicago Bulls superstar Michael Jordan at 16 million

In Jordan's case, more than 13 million dollars comes from endorsements and other outside contracts. His salary is set at 2.8 million dollars.

Boxers comprise four of the top-10, with George Foreman earning little more than 14 million dollars and Canada's Donovan 'Razor' Ruddock pulling in some 10 million dol-Olympic TV rights

BIRMINGHAM, England. Aug 3: The sale of television rights for next year's Barcelona Olympics and the 1992 Winter Games in Albertville will generate more than 925 million dollars, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) announced on Thursday.

IOC Information Director Michele Verdier also said the Olympic marketing programme for Barcelona and Albertville would bring in a further 175 million dollars.

Fifth and sixth places went to formula one rivals Ayrton Senna of Brazil (13 million) and Alain Prost of France (11 million).

Golfing greats Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus occupy the eighth and 10th positions, respectively. Most of Palmer's 9.3 million dollars is derived from endorsements and course designing fees.

crack the top-10, with world number one Monica Seles taking 12th place with estimated earnings of nearly eight million dollars. Sweden's Stefan Edberg is the top male at 7.4 million dollars, good for 14th.

Tennis players did not

Joe Montana, quarterback for the Sanfrancisco 49ers, is the top-paid American football player at 7.5 million dollars. while Toronto Blue Jays' outfielder Joe Carter is baseball's richest man at 3.9 million dol-

Turin's novel plan

TURIN, Italy, Aug 3 Turin has put forward a novel 'three-city' proposal designed to bring the Olympic Games to northern Italy in the year 2000, reports AFP.

The city's mayor Valerio Zazone has written to his counterpart in Milan, Paolo Pilliteri, suggesting that the two cities, along with the port of Genoa, should put in a joint bid for the Games.

Milan have already formally announced their intention to bid for the Games, and are preparing a dossier for the Italian National Olympic Committee.

Berlin remain favourites to host the turn-of-the-century Games.

Samaranch

HAVANA, Aug 3: The president of the International Olympic Committee, Juan Antonio Samaranch, said today he would turn down any offer to be Secretary General of the United Nations to remain in his

asked at a press conference about reports that he would be interested in replacing UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar who retires

Samaranch, who is in Havana for the 11th Pan American Games which opened competition today. said: "I am very satisfied with the position I now have. Being president of the IOC has been my dream and I would not change it for any position in the world."

Tapie backs coach over Waddle

backing his coach over a con-

Marseille's success last season, 2-0 win over Metz.

But in an interview with local daily Le Provencal on Saturday, Tapie claimed Waddle was free to play wherever he wanted - a statement not borne out though by the

"There is no problem with Waddle," Taple said, and as for Yugoslav coach Tomislav Ivic. "For the moment I have only one reproach to make - that of not explaining things prop-

"If he had done so, he would have told everyone that Waddle is the only player in the team, really the only one,

"He is free - free to do

"Waddle is not a robot - but come the end of August, he'll be his old self again. Like the rest of the team for that mat-

Waddle told the paper that

linked with a possible move to the revamped Paris, St. Germain, and in Britain with his old club Newcastle United.

says 'No'

present post, reports Reuter.

Samaranch had been

MARSEILLES, Aug 3: The millionaire chief of French champions Olympique Marseille, Bernard Tapie, is troversial move to play England striker Chris Waddle in defence, reports AFP.

Waddle, whose goals and penetrating runs were key to was left playing a link role between a back three and the midfield in Wednesday night's

English ace.

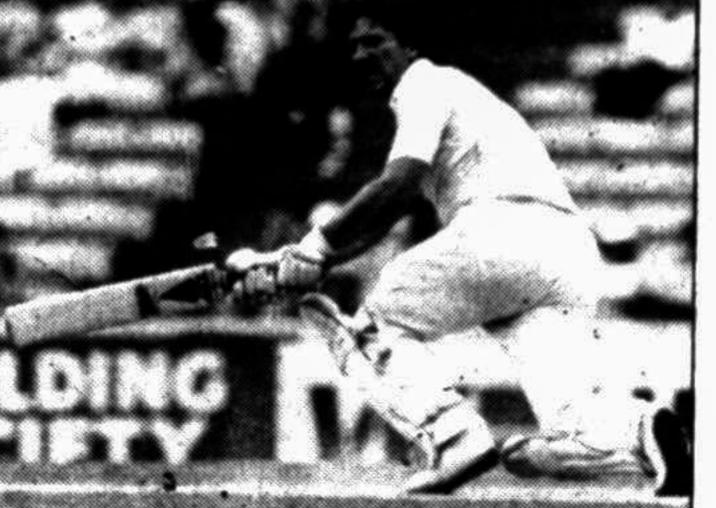
erly to people."

who has no orders to carry

what he thinks is right, and if he pulls back and plays on the defensive, it's because he decides to."

Tapie also reckoned that Waddle "is quite simply, not at his best. Among all of our players, he is the one who has the most difficulty with the heat."

as a professional, he was just "following orders", about where to play. In France, Waddle has been



LONDON, Aug 3: Ian Botham improved his chances of an England return on Friday but then admit-

ted: "I don't worry about it any more, "reports AFP. The 35-year-old all-rounder scored 81 for Worcestershire

against the game's meanest county attack at New Road.

But while the campaign for

him to face West Indies at the Oval next Thursday is growing by the minute. Botham will not lose any sleep this weekend. For after his superbly timed knock against Warwickshire he could not resist a typically flip

you just hope he can't keep

bolted away to a 10-0 start in

the first game, but he kept

hanging in. Chris was just play-

ing too well at the start, and

the whole match," Martin ex-

plained.

"It was just a matter of

ADELAIDE, Aug 3: Jahangir

Khan stayed on course to win

his seventh World Open squash

title after a comfortable 15-3,

14-15, 15-6, 15-4 semifinal

victory over Australian third

seed Chris Robertson on

ber two was rarely troubled as

he set up an intriguing show-

down with Australian Rodney

Martin, a 5-15, 15-13, 17-14.

15-13 semifinal winner over

compatriot Chris Dittmar, in

victories over world number

one Jansher Khan and Dittmar.

Jahangir showed he was in the

described as a "volley barrage"

he won the first eight points

before wrapping up the first

Two, electing to gamble on

playing straight through when

Jahangir was serving at 14-all,

but the second seed quickly

regained the initiative and

took the following two games

nance this year by notching a

record 10th successive British

Having returned to domi-

game in 11 minutes.

in 24 minutes.

Unleashing what Robertson

Robertson levelled in Game

mood to seize another title.

Despite Martin's surprise

Sunday's final.

The Pakistani world num-

Saturday, reports Reuter.

"It will be a shame in some ways if I'm picked for the Test because the base are running

in Alderney," Bothem's love of fishing is

Shirov nearer to title

BIENNE, Switzerland, Aug 3: Soviet chess player Alexel Shirov closed in on victory at the Bienne Grandmasters' tournament by overwhelming Yugoslav Zdenko Kozul in 28 moves, reports AP.

With one round to go Shirov's closest rival, Evgeny Bareev, fell one point behind after settling for two draws in Friday's games.

One was an adjourned match against US Grandmaster Larry Christiansen, the other a regular 13th-round contest with France's Joel Lautier. 12th round adjourned

Larry Christiansen, US -Evgeny Bareev, Soviet Union, 0.5-0.5.

13th round games: Michael Adams, Britain -Larry Christiansen, US, 0.5-

Viktor Gavrikov, Soviet Union - Ulf Andersson, Sweden, 0.5-0.5. Joel Lautier, France -

Evgeny Bareev, Soviet Union, 0.5-0.5.

STANDINGS

Barev, 8.

Shirov. 9 points. Andersson, Christiansen, 7.

Lautier, 6.5.

Adamas, Gavrikov, 5.5. Kozul, 3.5. In the World Mixed, Argentine Grandmaster Daniel Campora virtually assured himself of the title with an easy defeat of Ketevan Arakhamia of the Soviet Union, one of the woman competitors, who played white.

10th round results: Daniel Summtermatter, Switzerland - Joseph Gallag-

her, Britain, adjourned. Lars Bo Hansen, Denmark -Alexander Boog, Switzerland,

pines - Miodrag Todorceviv, Yugoslavia, 1-0. Markus Kluaser, Switzerland - Vlastimil Hort,

Rogelio Antonio, Philip-

Germany, 0-1. Pia Cramling, Sweden -Claude Landenbergue, Swi-

tzerland, adjourned. Keteyan Arakhamia, Soviet Union - Daniel Campora, Argentina, 0-1.

STANDINGS

1. Campora, 7.5 points. Antonio, 6.5. Cramling, 6 and one adjourned game. Boog, Hort, 5.5.

Landenbergue, Gallagher, 4 and one adjourned game

Todorcevic, 4.5.

10, Arakhamia, 4. 11. Summermatter, 2.5 and one adjourned. 12. Klauser, 2.5.



Scene from yesterday's play in the Dr. Mannan memorial chess, now going on at the National Coaching Centre.

Jahangir on course

"Chris's length at the start

was spot on. I just couldn't get

(length) was just too short, and

"My game picked up. I got

in front of him, and my

better length in the second

game and my drop (shots)

he just dominated.

started going off."

JAHANGIR KHAN

Open crown, Jahangir insisted Martin would be no pushover. When he's on he can beat

anybody," said the Pakistan. But Jahangir can draw satisfaction from the fact he has beaten Martin in their three meeting this year, including the British Open semifinals

last April. Robertson said: "I think it'll make a cracking final, they 're obviously the two form players of the tournament."

If fifth-seeded Martin triumphs he will become the first Australian to win the world championship since Geoff Hunt in 1980.

Martin dashes Dittmar dream It was Martin's third straight win over the flameheaded left-hander - he bested Dittmar in five games at the German Open in March and followed up with another

victory over the distance in the French Open in April. . Doubts over Dittmar's match toughness going into Saturday's semifinal materialised as Martin gradually got

on terms and held the white hand as the match progressed. Dittmar, a four-time loser in the World Open finals, had relatively easier assignments in disposing of qualifier Brett Newton and Australian junior champion Craig Rowland in quick time before a hollow decision over injury-weakened Anthony Hill in Friday's quar-

ter-finals.
All looked to be proceeding to plan in Saturday's semifinal when he recled off the first 10 points, but the writing was on the wall when Martin began finding his delicate touch.

Despite Dittmar leading 13-12. Martin went on to level at 1-1 and then strung together the last three extra points to take the third game 17-14. Dittmar was fighting for

survival in the fourth and led 7-6 and 13-12 before an error into the tin and another Martin drop volley set up match ball. Even though the scores were close I felt I was struggling to grab control and surge

> neck and I also seemed to be that point or two behind Dittmar lamented. "That seemed to be the pat-

> ahead. It was always neck and

tern of the match. I was playing catch up."

Botham strengthens his Test claim well known. But most England "And Dermot Reeve must wonder what he's done wrong supporters would prefer to see

team next week. "I don't know what I have to do to get in," he said. "After I was injured during the one-day internationals they told me to go away, get fit, score runs and take wickets. I've done that." "Some things recently have mystified not only me but

him tackling Viv Richards'

other players as well." Botham was shocked by Chris Lelwis's return ahead of him for the fourth Test at Edgbaston. "Chris came in and did very

after being made 12th man and then left out of the next match." Botham also banged the drum for David Gower's recall

"David's record speaks for itself," he said. "I'm a bit mystified that someone who got two cen-

next week.

has not even been considered this summer.' At least Botham is guaranteed a good report Friday night from England observer Fred Titmus, who was sent to New Road by the selectors to pro-

turies in Australia last winter

CRICKET CLIPPINGS

Moody at his brilliant best



Tom Moody

LONDON, Aug 3: Australian Tom Moody hammered a career best double century for Worcestershire against his former country Warwickshire on Friday, reports

Moody plundered 210, his 10th hundred of the season, as Worcestershire piled up 454 for eight declared on the first day of their three-day match with current country championship leaders Warwickshire. Warwickshire released Moody at the end of last season, retaining South African

fast bowler Allan Donald when new restriction were placed on the number of overseas players with each county. Donald quickly reduced Worcestershire to 25 for two on Friday, his pair of victims including out of form England batsman Graeme Hick who made just four.

But Moody when put the Warwickshire attack to the sword, his runs coming off 256 balls with 28 fours and three Warwickshire closed on 36 for no wicket. Second placed Essex and Nottinghamshire, third, who trailed Warwickeshire

game in hand on the leaders. Wagar, Akram rise to occasions

by 44 and 47 points respectively before the start of play are

not currently involved in championship games. Both have a

ONDON, Aug 3: Lanchashire and Surrey, fourth and fifth but with two games in hand on Warwickshire, were again well served by their Pakistani pace bowlers, reports Reuter. Surrey's Waqar Younis took six for 72 including a burst of

four wickets in seven balls as Kent were bowled out for 358. Mark Benson and Matthew Fleming both struck centuries as Kent cruised past 300 with just four wickets down before Waqar pegged them back.

Lancashire's Wasim Akram returned five for 91 as his side dismissed Yorkshire for 318. But Lancashire were struggling at 33 for two at the close.



Russell turns bowler BRISTOL, England, Aug 3: Gloucestershire's England wicketkeeper Jack Russell turned bowler on Friday and captured the prize wicket of Richie Richardson as West Indies' latest threeday tour match petered out into a draw, reports Reuter.

Russell handed over his pads and gloves

to Mark Alleyne and had Richardson, a

century maker in the first innings. stumped by Alleyne for 48 with only his fifth delivery. Carl Hooper hit an unbeaten 111, his fourth hundred of the tour, before West Indies declared their second innings at

261 for five, setting Gloucestershire an unrealistic target of 359 in two session. Gloucestershire played out a draw with few alarms despite losing former England batsman Bill Athey who retired hurt after being hit on the elbow by a ball from Malcolm Marshalla

Goldsmith holds up Sri Lankans

DERBY. England, Aug 3: Derbyshire's Steve Goldsmith hit a career beat 98 not out to hold up Sri Lanka after the tourists had taken the upper hand on the first day of their three-day cricket match on Friday, reports Reuter. Sri Lanka reduced the home side to 141 for five before

Glodsmith and Ewan McCray put on an unbroken 117 to take the score to 258 for five at the close. Goldsmith made his runs off 268 balls while McCray batted 59 overs for just 31 runs against some accurate bowling by

left-arm spinner Don Anurasiri and the Sri Lankan battery of medium-pacers.

The home side closed on 132 for four.

well and I'm pleased for the lad," said Botham. "But I should think he was as surprised as vide à last minute condition anyone to be picked.