

TAAN Cup soccer

Nepalese invite a Bangladeshi team

Sports Reporter
The Trekking Agents Association of Nepal (TAAN) has invited a Bangladeshi club team to take part in the TAAN Cup football tournament, organised by All Nepal Football Association (ANFA) beginning from September 8 in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Shah sports soccer result

Sports Reporter
National Football Training Club moved into the quarter-finals of the second Shah Sports Football tournament when they outplayed Narayanjan Duntirbar by 4-1 in yesterday's encounter at the Hazaribagh Park ground.

Tufnell ensures England win

Sports Reporter
England defeated minnows Sri Lanka by 137 runs yesterday in their one-off Test at Lord's, according to BBC commentary monitored in Dhaka late last night.

Phil Tufnell, England's hero in their fifth Test win over the West Indies earlier this month, was again their match-winner. The spinner needed only three deliveries after tea to end the determined resistance of Sri Lanka's last-wicket pair and finish with figures of five for 94 in a total of 285.

Champaka Ramanayake and Don Anurasiri had forced England to go back into the field for the final session, even though tea was taken half an hour late to allow them to capture the final wicket.

But it mattered little as Tufnell trapped Anurasiri lbw for 16 immediately after the break to leave Ramanayake unbeaten on 34.

Chris Lewis had spilled a difficult, diving chance to remove Anurasiri before the interval, but that was typical of his unusually slipshod display in the field.

At lunch Ian Botham snapped up a catch in the final over before the break as Sri Lanka's cricketers stumbled to 159 for five chasing a world record victory target of 423.

Roshan Mohanama edged a catch to Botham off left-arm spinner Phil Tufnell and departed for 15. With him went Sri Lanka's last realistic chance of gaining the massive victory target.

Earlier report said: England captain Graham Gooch hammered a splendid 174 to set cricket minnows Sri Lanka a massive target in their Test at Lord's on Monday.

Gooch declared England's second innings at 364 for three, leaving Sri Lanka needing 423 to win. By the close of the fourth day, they were 79 for two and the odds remained very much stacked against them.

Sri Lanka would have to set a record if they were to reach the target.

The highest total made by a side batting last to win a Test match is India's 406 for four against West Indies in 1975-76.

Gooch took advantage of a glorious sunny day and an easy-paced pitch to put the Sri Lankan bowlers to the sword.

The 38-year-old, who started the day on 60, reached 7,000 runs in Test cricket when he had made 146.

His innings took him past cricketing knights Len Hutton and Don Bradman and into 13th place in the list of all-time Test run scorers.

It was his 15th Test century, seven of which have come in the past 13 months.

Resuming at 100 for one, Gooch and first innings century-maker Alec Stewart took their second-wicket partnership to 139 before Stewart miscued left-arm spinner Don Anurasiri and was caught by captain Aravinda De Silva for 43. Sri Lanka's sole success of

West Indies-Sri Lanka one-dayers

PM to be chief patron of organising body

Sports Reporter
Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia will be the chief patron of the organising committee which will conduct the two one-day cricket inter-nations between West Indies and Sri Lanka scheduled in Dhaka on October 27 and 28, says a BCCB press release.

Chowdhury Kamal ibne Yousuf Health and Family Planning Minister, has been named chairman of the high power committee which was formed yesterday.

State Minister for Youth and Sports, Sadq Hossain Khoka, National Sports Council (NSC) Chairman, Major General Mahbubur Rahman, Bangladesh Cricket Control Board (BCCB) President Kazi Bahauddin Ahmed, have been named Vice-Presidents while Tanveer Haider as Organising Secretary and Sheikh Bashir Uddin Ahmed (Mamun) Joint Secretary.

Names of other members of the full-fledged committee will be announced later.

The two Test playing nations will participate in the official matches at the Dhaka National Stadium on October 27 and 28.

Sri Lanka will also play another one-day match against Bangladesh on October 29.

Western CC to play in Div II
Sports Reporter
Western Cricket Club will play in the Second Division Cricket league next year as they became the group champions beating Evergreen Club by 33 runs in their group final match of the Second Division qualifiers yesterday at the Dhaka Stadium.

Western CC, batting first, managed 85 runs for the loss of seven wickets in their allotted 20 overs.

In reply, bowling, Evergreen Club were bundled out for a paltry 52-run in 17.1 overs.

Konchellah lifts Kenya's 2nd gold

TOKYO, Aug 27: Billy Konchellah won Kenya's second gold medal when he triumphed in the men's 800 metres here today, reports AFP.

The Kenyan, world champion in 1987, missed the 1988 Seoul Olympics through illness.

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Krabbe spoils Ottey's party

TOKYO, Aug 27: Katrin Krabbe of Germany ended Merlene Ottey's 56-race winning streak Tuesday by

streaking to victory in the women's 100-meter dash in the World Track and Field Championship, reports AP.

Krabbe was timed in 10.99 seconds in edging Gwen Torrence of the United States, second in 11.03.

The Jamaican star, meanwhile, could do no better than third, in 11.06. Ottey came into the final a heavy favourite after winning three heat races impressively.

The racers faced a 3 meters-per-second wind down the track and the start was ragged, with most runners staying in the blocks when the gun fired.

Krabbe was the quickest out, with Torrence and Ottey far behind.

The 22-year-old European champion ran strongly and maintained a clear margin to the finish.

In the final strides, Torrence managed to edge Ottey out of second place.

"I am just going crazy" Krabbe said. "I had a fantastic start and I kept telling myself to keep my strides going. I was sure I had won only after seeing the replay on the stadium screen."

She said she was cool and confident before the final because she was aware Ottey was the favorite and the pressure would be all on her.

Torrence said she was pleased with second.

"I have done my best. The field was very strong, but Krabbe had a better chance to it," the American sprinter said.

Ottey was almost in tears and clearly upset.

"It was terrible. I felt fine, but I had a bad start and the whole race was just terrible," she said.

Michael Johnson of the United States won the gold medal in the men's 200-meter in 20.01, with a 3.1-meter-per-second wind against the runners.

Johnson led from start to finish, with a clear margin over Frank Fredericks of Namibia at the finish. Atlee Mahorn of Canada was third in 20.49.

In another final, Samuel Matete of Zambia won the gold medal in the men's 400 meters hurdles.

The 23-year-old Zambian star had a strong start and led clearly all the way, but as he came down the homestretch he slowed down and then incredibly began raising his arms in a gesture of victory even before crossing the finish line.

This slowed his time to 47.64 seconds and almost let Winthrop Graham of Jamaica to catch him. European cham-

pion Kris Akabust of Britain was third in 47.86.

Matete had vowed to beat the world record of 47.02 held by two-time Olympic champion Edwin Moses, but he had no chance.

The United States failed to win a medal in an event it had dominated for many years with

Matete said.

Marie-Josée Perce of France won her country's first gold medal by leading the women's 400-meter final from start to finish. The third runner was timed in 49.13, fastest in the world this year and a French national record.

Grit Breuer of German finished

time in the semifinals of the men's 400 meters with 44.52 seconds. He beat Cuban Roberto Hernandez (44.66) and fellow American Danny Everett (44.97).

Roger Black of Britain won the other semifinal in 44.64, with American Andrew Valmon second in 45.08. The final is on Thursday.

There was a sad elimination for the American team, with world and Olympic champion and world record holder Jackie Joyner-Kersey falling out of the heptathlon.

The American star was ahead after three events and was leading her 200-meter heat when she pulled her right hamstring. Joyner-Kersey was carried away on a stretcher, but doctors said she would be back training in a few weeks.

Greg Foster of the United States started his quest for a third gold medal in the 110-meter hurdles by winning his heat in 13.32. He said he wasn't too happy with the time.

"I can run much faster. I am in good condition and this is a good track," he said. Foster said he has an excellent chance to add a gold in Tokyo to those he won at Helsinki in 1983 and at Rome in 1987.

"It isn't going to be easy. There is a strong field. But I expect to run under 13 seconds, close to the world record," he said.

There were faster times in the heats, however. Fellow American Jack Perce won his in 13.23 and Colin Jackson of Britain had a 13.25.

The Americans lost one of their hurdlers, former world record holder Renaldo Nehemiah, with a back injury which prevented him from running. It would have been his first international appearance since 1981.

Medals table

TOKYO, Aug 27: Tabulation of medals at the 3rd World Track and Field championships after Tuesday's events:

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1. Soviet Union	4	5	5	14
2. United States	4	2	3	9
3. Germany	3	2	2	7
4. Kenya	2	1	1	4
5. Finland	1	1	1	3
(tie) Jamaica	0	1	1	2
6. Romania	A	A	1	2
8. (tie) Italy	0	1	0	1
8. China	1	0	0	1
8. Poland	1	0	0	1
8. France	1	0	0	1
8. Zambia	1	0	0	1
13. (tie) Japan	0	1	0	1
13. Sweden	0	1	0	1
13. Cuba	0	1	0	1
13. Brazil	0	1	0	1
13. Netherlands	0	1	0	1
13. Namibia	0	1	0	1
19. (tie) Morocco	0	1	0	1
19. Hungary	0	0	1	1
19. Canada	0	0	1	1
19. Spain	0	0	1	1
19. Britain	0	0	1	1



Germany's golden girl Katrin Krabbe who put an end to the stunning run of victories by Jamaican Merlene Ottey when she won the women's 100m final in Tokyo yesterday.

Moses. Kevin Young was fourth in 48.01 and Harris a disappointing fifth in 48.46.

"I went out very strong because I like to be in front early in the race, but I must say I was just tired at the end," Antonio Pettigrew of the United States had the fastest

Christie to quit

TOKYO, Aug 27: Britain's European 100 metres champion Linford Christie said today he would retire from athletics after failing to qualify for the World Championships 200 metres final, reports Reuter.

"I have made up my mind to retire," Christie said after finishing sixth in his semifinal.

Christie, who was fourth in Sunday's World Championship 100 metres final in a European record time of 9.92 seconds, criticised the scheduling of the sprint events.

"It's Crazy," said the 31-year-old Briton. "Whoever did the programme should be taken out and shot. We didn't have a rest day."

"This is hard, it's very very hard," Christie said he would discuss his decision with coach Ron Roddan but said he had made up his mind.

"I'm going out on top," he said.

India may inaugurate tours to S Africa

NEW DELHI, Aug 27: India, long at the forefront of boycotts of South Africa, may inaugurate the country's return to the international cricket fold with a 1992 tour, Cricket Board sources said on Monday, reports Reuter.

The sources said the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) had decided to seek New Delhi's approval to tour South Africa after the non-racial United Cricket Board of South Africa won international recognition.

"We have accepted in principle the invitation of the non-racial cricket body (to tour)," one Indian Cricket Board source said.

Another source said the Indian Board was keeping dates free at the end of 1992.

This could make India the first official visiting cricketers to South Africa after more than two decades, the sources said.

But they emphasised the tour would depend on government consent.

The Indian government agreed to let Test cricket's highest Test-run-getter, Sunil Gavaskar, attend the June inauguration of the new South African cricket body in Johannesburg but said then that it remained loath to encourage sporting links with South Africa.

It was India which proposed South Africa's readmission to the International Cricket Council (ICC) last month.

"Tremendous goodwill exists for India in South African cricket circles after our proposing their case for readmission to the ICC," one source said.

Kenyan Tanui wins 10,000 metres

TOKYO, Aug 27: Moses Tanui maintained the fine, free-running traditions of Kenyan distance runners on Monday with an upset victory in the men's 10,000 metres on the third day of the World Athletics Championships, reports Reuter.

Tanui, best known for his cross country ability, outspurred compatriot Richard Chelimo after the pair had simply run away from the rest of a talented field.

The race had been expected to develop into a duel between Moroccan world cross-country champion Khalid Skah and Italy's European champion Salvatore Antibo.

But Skah elected to keep an eye on Antibo until the middle of the race, by which stage he lost touch with the Kenyans

and forfeited any chance of a gold.

The Kenyan duo were well under world record pace at 5,000 metres, but the pace slowed in the second half with Tanui winning in 27 minutes 38.74 seconds.

The chirpy Skah seemed unperturbed later.

"The Moroccans will beat the Kenyans in the 5,000 metres," he predicted.

There was also an upset in the men's javelin where Finn Kimmo Kinnunen upstaged compatriot and defending champion Seppo Raty.

Defending heptathlon champion Jackie Joyner-Kersey, watched by brother Al Joyner and his wife Florence Griffith-Joyner, the double Olympic sprint champion, pulled up sharply while coming off the curve in the 200 metres and collapsed to the track in agony.

The 29-year-old American had been comfortably on course to add a second world Olympic title to her Olympic gold but a pulled hamstring in her right leg split a sudden end to her dream.

Joyner-Kersey, who also sprained an ankle in successfully defending her long jump title on Sunday, said sadly: "Next year is the Olympic games and I'll have to do it over again."

In Joyner-Kersey's absence, China's Zhu Yuqing heads the heptathlon standings after four disciplines with 3,901 points.

The Kenyans were not the only runners with cause to celebrate on a night when the focus switched from the sprints to the middle and long distance.

Soviet women won both the 800 and the 3,000 metres to put them on top of the medals

table with four golds.

Lilia Nurutdinova ran a perfectly-judged race to edge favourite Ana Quirot of Cuba for the 800 title, winning a four-woman battle off the final curve.

And Tatyana Dorovskikh, formerly Samolenko, retained the 3,000 title with a surge on the final straight.

Her compatriot and European silver medalist Elena Romanova was second while Susan Sirma became the first Kenyan woman to win a medal at a major championship with third place.

The day's fifth title, the triple jump, went to American Kenny Harrison whose 17.78 metres was a year's best.

Harrison revealed later he had been competing for the last six months with a painful stress fracture in one of his shins.

Kinnunen steps out of Raty's shadow

TOKYO, Aug 27: Kimmo Kinnunen burst out of the shadow of fellow Finn and world record holder Seppo Raty to win the men's javelin title at the World Athletic Championships here Monday, in the last major battle of the manipulated super-javelins, reports AFP.

The 23-year-old son of former world record holder Jorma Kinnunen tossed a championship record distance of 90.82 metres in the first round to deny Raty's bid for a second straight world crown.

Raty, a 29-year-old former brickyard worker who has moved the world mark close to the 100 metres twice this year, improved his throw in each try to hurl 88.12 metres in the sixth and final round.

Vladimir Sastimovich of the Soviet Union took the bronze with a throw of 87.08 metres, with two former world record holders, Czechoslovak Jan Zelezny and Britain's Steve Backley, failing to make the finals.

Backley bowed out with a throw of 78.24 metres and

Zelezny crossed the fault line after hurling beyond 83 metres, which would have put him through to the finals.

"I exploded with emotions after the great first throw and I feel numb now," Kinnunen said. "The first throw left me relaxed."

The International Amateur Athletic Association decided last week to ban manipulation of the javelin surface, such as dimples and grooves, after the Grand Prix final in Barcelona on September 30.

It means an end to the thick plastic tape that helped Raty hurl 96.96 metres in June, shattering his own month-old world record of 91.98 metres.

Likewise, the javelin with a roughened tail, produced by 1976 Olympic champion Miklos Nemeth of Hungary, would be out after helping Zelezny and Backley rewrite the world record earlier.

Zelezny, the 1988 Olympic silver medalist, threw 89.66 metres in July last year with a Nemeth, which can fly higher and farther with its rough surface reducing air resistance, as with the dimpled golf ball.

Backley improved the mark with his Nemeth to 90.98 metres a week later.

Then Raty, who won the bronze in Seoul, came out with tape spirals, a product of Sweden's Sandvik Co, to hurl 91.98 metres in May and 96.96 metres on June 2 at a local meet in the Finnish town of Punkalaidun.

For the second time in history, the IAAF stepped in to change rules on the javelin shaft. In 1984, the IAAF shifted the javelin's center of gravity four centimeters (1.6 inches) forward when East German Uwe Hohn threw 104.80 metres.

The IAAF technical committee is to meet Wednesday and discuss whether to start all over against with a new cycle of world records.

But Raty seemed to care little. "After all, it is quite the same for me what type of javelin it will be. I'll manage with any kind of models," he said.

"The best will throw farthest anyhow," he added. "It is only good if they ban these tricky models. I might lose my

world record, but I don't mind if the rules just make sense."

Perec wins 400m gold for France

TOKYO, Aug 27: France found itself a new women's 400m heroine when the long-legged Marie-Jose Perec beat, came the new world champion here today, reports AFP.

The 23-year-old Perec timed 49.13 secs for a new national record to take the title.

It is two decades since France's Colette Beason and Nicole Ducloux dominated the event but Perec now looks set to follow in their steps.

Germany's Grit Breuer, Perec's biggest threat, took the silver in 49.42, a new world junior record with Spain's Sandra Myers taking the bronze in 49.78.

An exhausted Perec collapsed on the track afterwards. "It was a tough race. I knew that if I could head Breuer out of the bend I would win. I looked across and I was in front," said Perec, who also beat Breuer in the European Cup earlier this year.