India to take

part in Asian

T&F meet

Amateur Athletic Federation of

India (AAFI) yesterday decided

to sendits full contingent of 30

athletes to the ninth Asian

Track and Field Champio-

nships to be held at Kuala

Lumpur from October 19 to

Suresh Kalmadi, said the federation would bear the full cost

of the contingent which at-

tained the qualifying mark laid

down by the selection commit-

cleared by the government

did not include top athletes

like Shiny Wilson, Ashwini

Nachappa, K Saramma and it

would be 'unimaginable' on

the part of the federation not

to send these athletes who

have brought glory to India in

time when Indian athletes needed maximum exposure and encouragement they should not be denied and op-

The AAFI chief said at a

The selection trials held

yesterday, the 4X400m relay

team of B Baiju, PV Raju, DK

Malviya and Arjun Deviah

clocked only 3:09.59 against

the qualifying mark of 3:09.50.

However, the AAFI has decided

Junior cycling

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petition, organised by the

Bangladesh Cycling Federation,

will be held on October 25

around the Suharawardy

advised the cyclists to report

at the Shishu Park gate by 6

am on the day. Those who

failed to send their entries

earlier have also been advised

to report there on time and

participate in the contest after

depositing a Taka 20 entry fee

in national meets will not be

Cyclist who have taken part

In a press release the BCF

Uddyan in the capital.

on the spot.

A junior open cycling com-

earlier international meets.

portunity like this.

to send them also.

Mr. Kalmadi, MP, said the

originally

The AAFI president, Mr

23, reports PTI.

tee of the federation.

four members

NEW DELHI, Oct 13: The

Riffat needs only a draw

The 15th and final round of the 17th national chess championship begins at the NSC chess room this afternoon with two players out of the 16 participants still in

Biman's former national junior champion Riffat bin-Sattar led the field with 11 points after 14 rounds completed on Saturday. Yesterday was a rest

with a chance of clinching the

Riffat is closely followed by Ziaul Kader Tuhin of Dhaka Metropolis who has ten points from his 14 games. Riffat needs only a draw against Dhaka Metro's Anisur Rahman in his final game today to dethrone last year's champion Syed Tahmidur Rahman. But should Riffat lose, and should Tuhin manage to beat his last opponent Khandaker Kayes Hassan of Bangladesh Ansars,

then Tuhin with 11 points would tie Riffat on points but, under the Buschwoltz tiebreaking method, be deemed the champion by virtue of his having beaten Riffat in their

11th round clash last week.

Moreover, Tuhin would

then finish the championship unbeaten - he has won six and drawn eight of his 14 matches. On the other hand Riffat, who has been in the lead throughout the duration of the competition and at one stage threatened to settle the issue as a runaway winner until his first loss in the 11th round, has suffered two defeats in succession. He lost his 12th round match to Shabana Parveen Nipa of Faridpur the day after suffering his maiden loss to

Riffat's Biman teammate Tahmidur Rahman the defending champion, is tied in third position with Anisur Rahman, both having collected 8.5

points each.

In two adjourned matches played at the NSC yesterday, Khandaker Kayes Hassan of Ansars beat former national women's champion and International Woman Master Rani Hamid of Biman while last year's runner-up Younus Hasan of Ansars split with Shabana Parveen Nipa of Faridpur.

TODAY'S MATCHES Riffat-bin-Sattar vs Anisur

Rahman. Syed Tahmidur Rahman vs Rezaul.

Jamilur Rahman vs Mainuddin Mamoon.

Younus Hassan vs Sheikh Anwar Hossain. Rani Hamid vs Shamsul-

Kabir Chowdhury. Ziaul Kader Tuhin vs Khandaker Kayes Hassan. Shabana Parveen Nipa vs

Shahinoor Hossain. Shahabuddin Ahmed Qurcishi vs Sheikh Shahadat Hossain Ratna.

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n X b3

bd 5

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31. re 3

32. qf 1

33. rb 1

34. qb 1

35. b 3

36. bXc 4

37. reb3

39. bb 3

40. q d 1

42 . rb 1

43. rb 2

41. r X d 1

44. n X e 5

45. rX b 3

38. r X b4

25. c X b 4

27. b X e 7

21. d X e 5

20. d4

Khandaker Kayes Hassan of Ansars (L) defeated IWM Rani Hamid of Biman (R) in their adjourned 14th round match

held last evening at National Sports Council's chess room. - Star photo

Graf, Tauziat in Zurich final

ZURICH, Switzerland, Oct 13: Top-seeded Steffi Graf of Germany said she played persistent wrist inflammation and pain but still beat fifth-seeded Helena Sukova 6-4, 6-3 to reach the final of the dlrs 350,000 European Indoors, reports AP.

Graf will face in Sunday's final Frenchwoman Nathalic Tauziat, who had a slightly more difficult time overcoming fourth-seeded Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere Switzerland 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (7-

Sukova, who defeated her third-seeded Czechoslovak compatriot Jana Novotna in the quarterfinals, crumbled under relentless pressure from 22-year-old Graf in their 64minute match.

Despite the pain and inflammation, Graf said it would not prevent her from playing on Sunday. However, she said she will take two weeks off from competition after the Zurich final.

For Tauziat it was her second upset in as many days after ousting No 2-seed Gabriela Sabatini in the quarterfinals.

Maleeva-Fragniere, a native Bulgarian, seemed rattled by several contested line calls in the first set.

In a baseline duel, the world's No 10 missed several easy chances and never managed to impose her game against the more consistent 23-year-old Frenchwoman.

Korda pips Jarryd

BERLIN, Oct 13: Fourthsceded Petr Korda of Czechoslovakia defeated seventh-seeded Anders Jarryd 6-3, 1-6, 6-2 and Arnaud Boetsch of France beat Germany's Patrik Kuehnen 6-2, 6-3, Saturday in the semifinals of the dollars 300,000 Berlin Open tennis tourna ment, reports AP.

Boetsch, 22, alternated his play with slow, top-spinning volleys and hard passing shots to down the likewise unseeded German. Kuehnen, a former German Davis Cup team player, could not recover after Boetsch got an early break to lead 3-1 in the first set.

Boetsch, who has never won a major tournament, needed just an hour and five minutes to defeat Kuehnen.

In the other match, Korda had no trouble controlling Jarryd in the first set, but starting missing in the second, allowing the Swede to win the set easily.

Beijing marathon

BEIJING, Oct 13: Negash Dube of Ethiopia defeated Japan's Taisuke Kodama by 11 seconds Sunday to win men's title in the Beijing International marathon, reports AP.

Deborah Noy of Britain won the women's division in 2:35:18. China's Li Yemei was second in 2:36:52 and Jill Costley of New Zealand third in 2:37:38, the official Xinhua News Agency reported.

12 minutes, 54 seconds. Kodama was second in 2:13:05 and Cai Shangyan of China third in 2:13:49, Xinhua said.

BAF handball

CHITTAGONG, Oct 13: BAF Base Zahurul Haque team defeated BAF Base Mattur Rahman team 16-8 in a qualify ing match of Bangladesh Air Force annual handball champi onship held at the BAF Buse Zahurul Haque here this

BAF Base Bashar defeated Air Headquarters Unit 12-0 in another match played on Saturday afternoon.

TT league from tomorrow Sports Reporter



Tucsday, at the National Coaching Centre.

On the opening day Tuesday, defending champions Armanitola JS will take on newcomers Renaissance Club, Village Defence Party (VDP) will meet Paschim Jatrabari. Young Boys Club face Bangladesh Bank Club and Bangladesh Biman take on Purbachal Parishad. All these matches are scheduled for a

simultaneous start at 4:00 pm. Matches will be played on a best-of-five sets of four singles and a doubles on the new Swathling league system.

Arab Bangladesh Bank Limited, sponsoring the league for the second time, will bear the total expense of the league amounting to Taka seventy thousand.

Twenty-eight city teams, divided into four groups of seven teams each will participate in the first phase of the league which will conclude on October 31. There are nine fresh teams in this year's league.

The participating teams are: Group A: Armanitola JS, Village Defence Party (VDP), Young Boys, Ajax SC Bangladesh Bank Club, West Jatrabari and Renaissance. Group B: Bangladesh Biman,

Young Stars, Swamibagh TTS.

Pallima Sangsad, Kalpa Taru

Medical College, Combined SC and Swamibagh Boys.

Group D: Bangladesh Ansar,

two top teams from each of the four groups will qualify for the super league.

earned in the super league. The points of first phase will not count in the super league.

permitted to play for a team in from the BTTF and clearance

ence at the National Sorts Council yesterday evening, president of the BTTF Syed Yusuf Hossain said his federation would organise a junior league either late this year or carly next year.

He also said the federation was planning to supply table tennis gear to at least five schools within this year.

The press briefing was also attended by Kazi Moinuzzaman Pila, the BTTF Secretary, Ishtiaque Ahmed Karen and Alauddin Ahmed, Vice President of AB Bank Limited.

Paschim Jatrabari, Ranaissance Club, Pallima Sangsad Kalpa Taru, Kasaitully, Dhaka Medical College, Swamibagh Boys, NMS and Lalmatia Club are the new entrants in this year's league.

eligible for the competition. Udity Club

The Udity Club, in an emergency meeting held last week, approved its executive committee which was elected on June 9 in the annual general meeting, says a press release.

office-bearers

Engineer Moshtaque Ahmed and Ataur Rahman Khan have been elected president and secretary of the club respectively for 1991-92.

M/s A S M Akram, Ziauddin Ahmed, Khaled Lutfar and Zahirul Hassan Mahmud have been elected vice-presidents while Shahidullah Kamal and Shahjahan Malik Labu are the

joint secretaries. Mr Nurrullah is the organis ing secretary while joint secretary Shahidullah has been

given additional charge as the cricket secretary of the club. Bridge results

The following are the results of "Pair of the month" duplicate bridge contest of Dhaka Metropolis Bridge Association, held on last Friday at the Bangladesh Bank Club premises, states a DMBA press

First: TR Chowdhury and Md Abdul Quddus (61.82 per cent), Second: Md Israil and SJ Quadri (58.18 per cent), Third: Md Jahirul Haque and Rafiqul Hussain Siddiqui (57.73 per cent) and Fourth Naimul Hasan Topu and Bani Amin Econ (56.36 per cent). .

Cyclist succumbs to injuries

BRUSSELS, Oct 13 Belgian cycling hopeful Danny Alaerts died on Tuesday, á day after crashing during the sprint finish to an amateur race, a hospital official said last Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Jahangir-Martin semifinal likely top half of the draw and will be



the world champion, could meet again here this week for the first time since their controversial World Open final two months ago, reports AFP.

Then, the brilliantly gifted Australian conjured a surprising triumph against a background of Pakistani allegations about rough tactics and bad refereeing.

This time, they should meet in the semifinal of the US Open, which starts here on Monday at a Brooklyn Castno.

Martin is only seeded fifth, place higher by virtue of a bet-

ter world ranking. Jahangir is the unexpected US Open favourite because his unbeaten fellow Pakistani Jansher Khan, the world num-

mystery injury sustained while practising back home in

"If we meet again I shall try to put out of my mind what happened last time," said Jahangir about Martin.... "But it may be very different from

"We will playing in a neutral country, which is quite unlike meeting each other in Pakistan or Australia. I think a lot of people will be interested to

see what happens."

Despite this, Jahangir probably feels he has achieved a small measure of revenge over the Australians. He was victorious in the Pakistan Open in Karachi against Chris Dittmar. the world number three who upset him in the Australian Open final in Melbourne, one week after the world.

-Star photo

Dittmar is the man who may benefit most from Jansher's withdrawal because the lefthander from Adelaide is in the

TV story irks Tyson's camp

between players and referees

alarming levels.

said Jahangir, who has been an outspoken critic of refereeing standards.

favour ex-players refereeing on a semi permanent basis. This at the World Cup in Dubai in · December.

Chiburdanidze ploy backfires

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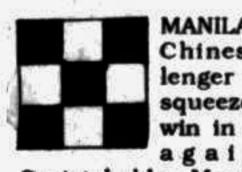
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10. b c2

12. nf 1

11. nb d 2



lenger Xie Jun squeezed out a win in 56 moves against

Soviet holder Maya Chiburdanidze on Saturday to level their battle for the women's World Chess title halfway through the 16-game series, reports Reuter.

Xie exploited listless play by Chiburdanidze, who, analysts said, tried to stick to the strategy she used to win Game

Playing black, Xie seized control on the 24th move but had to overcome stubborn defence before forcing the vic-

The Chinese player is seeking to end six decades of Soviet dominance over the women's chess title. The first player to score 8.5

points wins. A victory counts for one point and a draw for half a point. Chiburdanidze retains the title in the event of an 8-8 tie. Game Nine will be played

on Monday. Following is the

move by move account of Game

Eight. Chiburdanidze (white) Xie (black) 1.e 4

2. nf 3

Edberg keeps Seiko crown

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14. ng 3

15 nf 5

nc 6 17. a 4

16. nx e 7

Stefan Edberg fought off another barrage of service aces Sunday to third tournament in a row, beating giant-killer Derrick Rostagno

TOKYO, Oct 13:

6-3, 1-6, 6-2 in the final of the dollar one million Seiko Super tennis tournament, reports AP. Rostagno, who reached the final by beating Boris Becker of Germany and Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia, slammed in 12

aces against one by Edberg, the world's No 1-ranked But a couple of volley errors when he was serving at 2-3 in the deciding set ended his streak. Edberg thus added the Seiko title to his triumph last

Open and his US Open championship in early September. On Saturday, Goran Ivanisevic of Yugoslavia bombarded Edberg with 21 aces before the Swede prevailed 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 7-5.

week in the Australian Indoor

Against No 7-seeded Rostagno of the United States, Edberg broke service in the fourth game after three deuces, was broken himself on a double fault, and then broke



STEFAN EDBERG



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two dcuces.

just kept playing good tennis and very solid tennis." having "a little bit of luck." Rostagno said of his week:

> Edberg reached the finals by beating American David Pate 6-2, 6-4, Frederic Fontang of France 6-2, 7-5, eighth-seeded Michael Chang of the United States 6-2, 6-2 and sixthseeded Ivanisevic 4-6, 7-6, 7-

The unseeded pair of Jim Grabb and Richey Reneberg defeated top- seeded fellow Americans Scott Davis and David Pate 7-5, 2-6, 7-6 (7-3)

for the men's doubles title. Edberg, the Swedish champ who came to Japan after winning the Australian Indoor Open Tennis Championships last Sunday, received dollars 122,700 for his sixth victory of the season and Rostagno pock-

first game, and broke Edberg

in the fourth and sixth games. Men's Olympic qualifiers begin today



Zealand, Oct 13: Franziska Hentschel scored on a penalty corner 22 minutes into

in a women's field hockey Olympic qualifying match, reports AP. fifth in two matches. She scored all four German goals in

the game Sunday, leading

Germany past South Korea 1-0

a shutout victory Saturday over the United States. AFP adds: The New Zealand women celebrated their second Olympic qualifying hurdle

win over France. New Zealand beat Japan 1 0 in their opening pool match yesterday.

today when they posted a 2-0

They were slow to get going today but found their form in the second half when they scored two brilliant field goals after missing opportunities in the first half.

After a couple of early probes into the goal circle in the second half, New Zealand had a goal disallowed in the 50th minute for shepherding. They again found the back of the net in the 55th minute from a penalty corner, only to have the shot ruled too high.

Bell. New Zealand's most incisive forward, finally-broke the drought when she dribbled past three defenders and beat the goalkeeper.

cross into the goal circle and

from close range.

in the second half.

ports AP.

She later sent a perfect

Anna Lawrence drove home

New Zealand were rarely pressured in defence. They were favoured in the penalty Hentschel's goal was her count 12-4, allowing the French just one penalty corner

Thursday night on reported

plans to restructure the men's

professional tennis circuit and

sharply increase the promi-

nence of certain events, re-

sports daily L'Equipe, the ATP

Tour will designate nine

events, along with the four

Grand Slams, to constitute a

super series that will produce

a No 1 player at the end of the

for the ATP Tour office in

Monaco, said she knew of no

major imminent announce-

ments and would not confirm

Anna Legnani, a spokesman

According to the French

India, New Zealand and the Soviet Union, begins. Germany and New Zealand

> The French paper said that the new series will be made public at the ATP Tour World Championship in Frankfurt,

Germany, in November. The nine tournaments would be worth more money

SHEFFIELD, England, Oct in Sheffield on Tuesday, reports AFP.

Birmingham on Monday 3-2, and the women 4-1. On Tuesday the mon won 4-1 and women 3-2.

46. rb 2 47, nd 3 48. g 4 49. nc 5 50, ne 4 51. ng 3 ra 8 52. ne 2 rX a 4 53. nc3 54. rb f 2 ch 55. kg 1 rg 2 ch 56. kf1 57. Resigns. again in the sixth game after Edberg broke again in the eighth game to wrap up the 96-minute match on the artificial court of the Tokyo Mctropolitan Gymnasium. "I think the US Open did a

lot for my confidence, really believing in myself," Edberg said. "I played great tennis and

He added that he also was

"I really shouldn't complain."

eted dirs 66,000.

Germans, Kiwis win in Auckland

head Pool A and have a vital match Wednesday against each other. In other matches Sunday, Canada edged Ireland 3-2 for its second victory in two days, China beat Italy 4-2, Argentina

shut out Britain 2-0 and Japan. with goals by Hisayo Takahashi and Akiko. The women are idle on Monday, when the men's qualifying tournament, headlined by

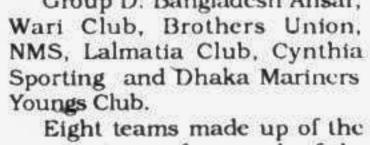
New tour planned? PARIS, Oct 13 ATP Tour Dube finished in 2 hours, officials declined comment

Badminton result 13 :England's men and women beat Japan in the second and final badminton international

England's men won at

morning, reports BSS.

The AB Bank of the player's national federa-Club, Kasaitully and Purbachal Metropolis table tennis league, or-Addressing a press confer-Parishad. ganised by the Group C: Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation (BTMC), Bangladesh Table Tennis Federa Armanitola Juniors, Young tion (BTTF), begins tomorrow, Pegasus, Victoria SC, Dhaka



The league championship will be decided on the points

Two foreign players will be the league after due approval

Following is the league roll of honour: Champion 1975-76 Abahani KC .Dhanmondi Club 1976-77

League not held 1977-78 Abahani KC 1978-79 1979-80 BIGGS Bangladesh Biman 1980-81 1981-82 1982-83 B Biman 1983-84

1988-89

1989-90

Mohammedan SC Armanitola JS B Biman 1984-85 1985-86 Brothers Union Bangladesh Ansars 1986-87 Bangladesh Ansars 1987-88

Farashganj SC Abahani KC Dhanmondi Club Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC B Biman

Runners-up

B Biman Armanitola JS Mohammedan SC B Biman B Biman B Biman

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League not held

Armanitola JS

Syed Yusuf Hossain (2nd from left), president of the Bangladesh Table Tennis Federation addressing a press conference at the NSC yesterday in connection with the AB Bank metropelis TT league beginning tomorrow. On his right is M.Alauddin Ahmed, Vice

President, AB Bank and on left is Kazi Moinuzzaman Pila, BTTF secretary.

: Jahangir Khan, the British Open squash champion, and Rodney Martin.

but will be slight favourite to get past a likely quarter final tussle with fellow Australian Chris Robertson, seeded one

ber one, has withdrawn with a

Nevada, Oct 13 Mike Tyson's camp was furious here Friday over a story aired on a local television station that

cal clinic, reports AFP. The station, KTNV, reported that an unidentified woman had telephoned saying she had seen Tyson, promoter Don King, and members of his

camp entering Mountain Diagnostics, which at first confirmed the story but later refused to release any informa-"He (Tyson) didn't go to a

clinic," said John Solberg, a

spokesman for Tyson. "He's the former world fine. He's in perfect condition. champion had visited a medi-These are only rumours.

The television report appeared to gain some credibility when Tyson did not show up on Thursday to train at his usual gymn.

Jahangir would also be eagerly Jahangir and the spectators here will also be particularly interested in the unique referring experiment to be con-

expected to reach the final.

Another rematch with

ducted by the organisers. Competitors are to be paid for the first time in the history of the game to referee their fellow players.

The aim is to reduce the

aggravation among players, and

which has recently reached "I think this is a good idea, and I hope it will take some of the pressure off the players,

However, both Jahangir and the Board of the International Squash Players, Association will be tried for the first time