

Junior tennis meet concludes today

Chotiyangwong poised for a double

Sports Reporter

Top seed Atip Chotiyangwong of Thailand and number two Asim Shaifq of Pakistan justified the accolades by reaching today's final of the boys' singles of the sixth Bangladesh International Junior tennis championships.

The six-day meet concludes today with the boys' singles, the girls' singles and doubles and the finals of the consolation events for early losers being scheduled for the morning and the afternoon.

Chairman of the National Sports Council Maj General Mahbubur Rahman will give away the trophies as the chief guest in the afternoon.

Tournament favourite Chotiyangwong put himself up for a fine double when he lifted the boys' doubles title in partnership with Indian Vasudev Reddy at the Ramna Tennis Complex yesterday.

Chotiyangwong and Reddy, the top doubles seeds, pulled themselves together after being 1-4 down to clinch the first set 6-4. Once again their Pakistani opponents Hassan Mehmood and Md Khalique Siddiq took a runaway 4-1 lead in the second set but this time the Pakistanis held on to their lead to draw level with a 6-3 win. In the deciding third set the Pakistanis were broken in the eighth game to make the score 5-3. Atip Chotiyangwong broke the Pakistanis' service

with some brilliant strokeplay to take the match at 6-4.

It was a remarkable performance by the winners, especially the Thai, who displayed fine court sense and a wide range of shots that delighted the crowd. The left-and-right-handed combination of the Pakistanis saw them threatening to take the match away from the top seeds, especially with Vasudev Reddy breaking up his service and making a series of unforced errors. Yet, always keeping his cool, the Thai Chotiyangwong, playing with his left hand and wearing a white peaked cap, rallied to deny the Pakistanis any advantage.

In the singles semifinals earlier in the morning, Chotiyangwong had a lucky break of sorts when his determined Polish opponent Aleksander Mierzwinski had to retire with a bout of stomach muscle cramps in the third game when the Thai was leading 3-0.

Chotiyangwong lost the first set 4-6 and the Pole passed up two match points before taking the second set 7-5. But soon afterwards the Pole's luck ran out and he walked off the court in agony.

The other semifinal was a slightly less exciting affair that saw the Pakistani second seed Asim Shaifq prevailing 7-6, 7-3, 6-2 over his Indian opponent Subel Malhotra. The latter had eliminated his third

seeded compatriot Vikram Venkataraghavan in the quarter-finals on Thursday.

In today's all-Thai girls' singles final top seed Chartsurhipun Sudsopee will meet Tamarine Tanasugarn. The match is scheduled to start at 1.30 pm.

In yesterday's exciting semifinals, Sudsopee rallied from behind after conceding the first set 6-7 (7-4) to her Indian opponent Sahiba Chadha to take the next two sets 6-1, 6-2.

Tanasugarn beat fellow Thai Pimpisamat Kansuthi 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 in yet another three-setter.

But unlike her male top seeded counterpart Chotiyangwong, Sudsopee's chances of a twin triumph in the ITF ranked Group Four meet vanished yesterday afternoon when she and her Indian partner Arthi Ponappa lost 4-6, 6-3 and 4-6 to the South Korean girls' Seok Eun-Sah and Gi-Jung Chung. Ponappa's poor serving let Sudsopee down.

The Korean pair will face the Thai pair of Tanasugarn and Kansuthi who thrashed the Bangladeshi pair of Mithun and Ruma 6-0, 6-0.

That final is billed for an early 8:30 start this morning.

The meet, marked by last-minute withdrawals by several players, was shortened by a day from its originally scheduled Nov 24 conclusion.



Top seed Atip Chotiyangwong of Thailand reached today's final of the sixth Bangladesh international junior championships boys' singles when his semifinal opponent Aleksander Mierzwinski retired in the third set of the contest at the Ramna Tennis Complex yesterday. —Star photo by Enamul Haq

It's a tie at Lahore



LAHORE, Pakistan, Nov 22: West Indies and Pakistan tied their second one-day international on Friday after Pakistan batsman Mushtaq Ahmed was run out going for the winning runs off the last ball of the match, reports Reuter.

Needing two to win, Mushtaq hit the ball to the covers but he could manage only a single before being run out, leaving the scores equal on 186 after 39 overs each.

Although Pakistan lost four wickets more than the West Indies, who made their runs for five wickets down, the game was declared a tie under the rules governing the three-match competition.

West Indies remain one up with the final game being played in Faisalabad on Sunday.

A full house of nearly 30,000 watched spellbound as Curtley Ambrose came up to bowl the final over with Pakistan needing 10 to win.

The big paceman caught and bowled wicketkeeper Moin Khan with his third ball, but was driven for four by Waqar Younis who then took a single off the penultimate delivery, leaving two for victory.

But Mushtaq could not oblige and honours ended even.

The man of the match award went to West Indies opener Desmond Haynes for an effortless 69.

Haynes stayed at the wicket for 169 minutes and hit six fours before being yorked by an in-swinging Aaqib Javed.

Captain Imran Khan hit a fine 51 to sustain the Pakistan hopes after three wickets tumbled for one run, leaving the home side reeling at 70 for four.

Imran and Ijaz Ahmed, who was drafted into the side at the last minute to replace Javed Miandad, whose back trouble ruled him out for the match, shared the best stand of 47 for the fifth wicket.

Imran was caught by Richie Richardson at mid-wicket as he tried to hook Patrick Patterson when Pakistan still needed 16 runs for victory.

AP from Lahore adds: Pakistan's skipper Imran Khan won the toss for Pakistan. In a surprise decision Khan asked

the West Indies to bat first.

Last Wednesday, Khan be-moaned Pakistan's fate to bat second saying his team had trouble chasing the target.

The West Indies openers, Desmond Haynes and Phil Wallace gave a solid start of LTW runs to their team.

Haynes scored an unblemished 69 in this match playing the sheet anchor's role once again.

In the first match in Karachi he scored 45. The newcomer Wallace gave good support with 32.

West Indies' skipper Richie Richardson, however, disappointed his following for the second time in this series. But Brian Lara and Carl Hooper played well to give their team a respectable total of 186 for 5 in 39 overs.

Pakistan, needing a per

and looked like they might reach their target.

Imran fell to Patterson when the score was 171. After that a belated effort by Waqar Younis and Moin Khan brought them to a position where they needed two runs to win on the last ball.

Mushtaq Ahmad hit Ambrose to the mid on position and tried to take two runs but WAF run out while running the second.

Haynes took man of the match for his polished innings of 69.

The final game will be played Sunday in Faisalabad.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at close of play in the second one-day international between Pakistan and the West Indies here today.

WEST INDIES

Haynes b Aaqib	69
Wallace lbw Imran	32
Richardson c Aamir b Aaqib	14
Lara b Akram	18
Hooper c Haq b Akram	22
Arthurton not out	5
Marshall not out	2
Extras	24
Total (5 wks in 39 overs)	186
Fall of wickets: 1-53; 2-85; 3-134; 4-178; 5-183.	

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Imran	8	0	19	1
Akram	7	0	36	2
(nb1, w2) Younis	8	0	47	0
(w4) Mushtaq	8	0	22	0
(w-1) Aaqib	8	0	49	2
(nb1, w2)				

PAKISTAN:

Aamir Sohail c and b Patterson	13
Ramiz Raja c Williams b Marshall	26
Inzamamul Haq b Marshall	20
Salim Malik run out	0
Imran Khan c Richardson b Patterson	51
Ijaz Ahmed c Williams b Ambrose	27
Wasim Akram b Marshall	12
Moin Khan c and b Ambrose	7
Waqar Younis not out	12
Mushtaq Ahmed run out	1
Extras: (lb6, nb2, w9)	17
Total: (9wks in 39 overs)	186
Fall of wickets: 1-27; 2-69; 3-69; 4-70; 5-117; 6-136; 7-171; 8-180; 9-186.	

Bowling: O M R W

Bishop	7	0	41	0 (w8)
Ambrose	8	1	28	2
Patterson	8	0	44	2 (nb2)
Marshall	8	0	39	3 (w1)
Hooper	8	1	28	0

Babu, Elena new nat'l badminton champs

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Babu of Chittagong University and Elena of Bangladesh Biman bagged the men's and women's singles titles respectively on the concluding day of the sixteenth national badminton championships which ended yesterday at Jessore.

Babu beat Sarwar of Biman in the men's singles final yesterday 15-12, 9-15 and 15-9. Elena beat her teammate

Juthi, 11-3 and 11-4 in the women's singles final.

Mehboob and Juthi of Biman won the mixed doubles crown throning the husband-wife pair of Hashem and Dana of Bangladesh Ansars 15-10 and 15-10.

Mehboob won double crowns when he paired with Suman, also of Biman, to defeat last year's champions Hashem and Rana 12-15, 15-11 and

15-11 in the men's doubles.

Earlier, on Thursday, Elena and Mita of Biman clinched the women's doubles title beating Juthi and Momo 15-7, 15-3 while in the veterans' doubles Aminul and Morshed Zaman of Dhaka defeated A Karim and M Chowdhury of Chittagong 15-10, 15-10.

More than a hundred shuttlers from all over the country took part in the week-long meet.

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Age	Holyfield	Cooper
Weight	210	215
Height	5-1/2	6
Reach	77 1/2	74
Chest Normal	43	42
Chest Expanded	45	44
Biceps	16	18
Forearms	12 1/2	13
Waist	32	32
Thigh	32	34
Calf	13	14
Neck	19 1/2	19
Wrist	7 1/2	9
Flat	12 1/2	13

Jamalpur soccer

JAMALPUR, Nov 22: Dhaka East Bengal Sporting Club beat Gobindaganj Krira Sangtha of Gaibandha by a goal in Group 'Kha' of Shaheed Smriti Gold Cup Football Tournament played at Dewanganj High School field today, reports UNB.

East Bengal Sporting Club Captain Sohel scored the lone point for his team in the last half of the match.

Last year's champion Netrokona Eleven will face Konika Sangkritik Sangha of Dhaka today (Saturday) in the final encounter Group 'Ka'.

Organized by Dewanganj Moktjodha Sangadha, the tournament is participated by 23 teams from 14 districts.

MSC in semis

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A fine all-round performance by skipper Minhazul Abedin Nannu enabled defending champions

Dhaka Moham-medan Sporting Club to fly safely over Bangladesh Biman by five wickets into the semifinals of the 13th Damal Summer cricket tournament yesterday at the Dhaka Stadium.

Mohammedans will now meet the winners of today's GMCC versus Brothers Union quarter-final in the first semifinal on Nov 25.

Biman, bathing first, scored 181 runs for the loss of six wickets in their stipulated 45 overs.

In reply, Mohammedans reached 182 for the loss of five wickets in 43.2 overs.

Nannu, after winning the toss, decided to insert Biman, who soon lost their openers Saiful for 16 and Bachchu for five with only 29 runs on the board.

Selim Shaded and skipper Shahncwaz Shanu put on 94 runs for the third wicket, Selim Shaded falling for a patient 34 off 72 balls. Shanu scored a responsible 51 off 72 balls and his knock included to boundaries.

Zakaria and Enamul Haque Mont were run out cheaply for one and 12 runs respectively.

Shabbir, 29 not out, and Piyal 13 not out added 22 vital runs for the unfinished seventh wicket.

Nannu was the most successful Mohammedan bowler with two wickets for 34 runs. Aminul Islam Bulbul and Wahidul Ghani also took a wicket each.

Mohammedans' opening

batsmen Azhar Hossain Shantoo and Jahangir Alam scored 22 apiece to give their team a reasonable start.

Bulbul and Nannu then batted steadily to take their team to 128 when Bulbul was caught brilliantly by Ahmed Iqbal Bachchu off Mont for 30 runs.

Nannu went on to hammer a polished 59 off 71 deliveries. His knock consisted of two fours and one well timed pull off Selim Shaded for a six.

Rafig, 23 not out, and Gamage with four not out saw Mohammedans to victory.

Shanu followed up his good batting efforts with two wickets for 34 runs. Bachchu and Mont claimed one wicket each.

Last year's runners up Greater Mymensingh Cricket Club (GMCC) will take on Navana Premier Division league champions Brothers Union in today's quarter final at the Dhaka Stadium.

Six-a-side cricket

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A six-a-side cricket competition organised by the Dhaka Cricket Players' Association will begin from November 30 simultaneously at the Dhaka Stadium and Dhanmndi Cricket Stadium.

Defending champions Bangladesh Biman, plate champions BKSP along with teams from Navana Premier and Milnars First Division leagues are expected to take part in the three day meet.

All interested teams have been asked to send their entries to the association at the BCCB office along with a fee of Taka 100 by November 26.

Biman lead table

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The reigning league champions Bangladesh Biman were leading the points table with ten points after the completion of the first round matches of the First Division chess league yesterday at the National Sports Council's chess room.

Biman's star players Ziaur Rahman, Rezaul Haq and new national champion Rifat-bin-Sattar won their respective games against the Kanika Sangskriti players while last year's national champion Syed Tahmidur Rahman drew his game against Kanika's Shaheen.

Biman earned 3.5 points while Kanika had to be satisfied with half a point.

Chalantika Krira Chakra were placed in the second position with 8.5 points. They defeated Farashganj Sporting Club by 3.5 to .5 points yesterday.

Pony Electronics beat Genus Chess Club to earn 3.5 points and are placed in the third position in the points table with eight points.

Ansars, Brothers Union and BTMC were jointly placed fourth with seven points each.

Ansars and Anushlon Daba Club won their matches against Tilak Chess Club and Protibha Daba respectively.

Brothers, BTMC, Free Birds International, and Parjat drew their matches.

Fifteen teams are taking part in this year's league.

The teams are: Anushlon Daba Krira Chakra, Mahakkhal Pradiip Sangha, Protibha Daba Gosthi, Chalantika Krira Chakra, BTMC Pony Electronics, Bangladesh Ansars, Free Birds International, Kanika Sangskriti Sangha, Bangladesh Biman, Parjat Chess Club, Tilak Chess Club, Genus Chess Club, Brothers Union and Farashganj Sporting Club.

Aussies to tour Sri Lanka in '92

COLOMBO, Nov 22: Australia will become the first Test side to visit Sri Lanka for more than five years next August, reports Reuter.

Their six-week tour is expected to include three Tests and three one-day internationals, Sri Lanka Cricket Board president Tyrone Fernando said on Thursday.

New Zealand's tour of Sri Lanka in 1987 was cut short after a bomb explosion in Colombo.

Since then no Test team have visited Sri Lanka because of ethnic violence.

Fernando said Australian Cricket Board chief executive David Richards had confirmed the visit next year.

Early upset for leading teams

BARCELONA, Nov 22: Three of the five top-ranked men's table tennis teams failed to reach the second phase of the World Team Cup tournament on Thursday, reports Reuter.

Second-ranked Yugoslavia, finalists last year, crashed against North Korea. World number three Czechoslovakia fell to China and number five Germany were eliminated by world champions Sweden.

All three lost 3-0. Yugoslav veteran Zoran Kallinic said the war in his country had affected the team greatly and news of the death of compatriot and former leading player Anton Stipanac had been a heavy blow.

Stipanac, 42, died of a heart attack, Kallinic said.

The Swedes and fourth-ranked Belgium, who defeated sixth-ranked South Korea 3-1, will be challenged for the title by China, North Korea, England, Australia and France this weekend.

North and South Korea are expected to face stiff competition from China in the women's competition.

Third-ranked France lost 3-2 to Japan but still reached the last eight.

Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Sweden also qualified.

TODAY'S MATCH

Mohsin Club vs Nitaiganj KC

World Cup women's soccer results

HONG KONG, Nov 22: Results from the women's Football World Cup in China on Thursday:

Group A
China 4 New Zealand 1
HT 3-0

Group B
Norway 2 Denmark 1
HT 1-0

Group C
United States 3 Japan 0
HT 3-0

Group D
Sweden 2 Brazil 0
HT 0-0

Group E
China 2 Nigeria 0
HT 1-0

Group F
Germany 2 Italy 0
HT 0-0

GROUP STANDINGS

Standings (played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, goals against, points)

Group	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
Group A							
China	3	2	0	1	10	3	5
Norway	3	2	0	1	6	5	4
Denmark	3	1	1	1	6	4	3
N. Zealand	3	0	0	3	1	11	0
Group B							
USA	3	3	0	0	11	2	6
Sweden	3	2	0	1	12	3	4
Brazil	3	1	0	2	7	9	2
Japan	3	0	0	3	0	12	0
Group C							
Germany	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
Italy	3	2	0	1	6	4	4
C. Taipei	3	1	0	2	2	2	2
Nigeria	3	0	0	3	0	7	0

Novotna sends Graf packing

NEW YORK, Nov 22: Eighth seed Jana Novotna of Czechoslovakia served her way into the semifinals of the Virginia Slims Championships by stunning Wimbledon champion Steffi Graf 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 on Thursday, reports Reuter.

"It's unbelievable, it's so emotional to me I just can't believe it," said Novotna after crushing the second-seeded, two-time champion in the third set.

Novotna, who had beaten Graf only once in 12 previous encounters, at this year's Australian Open, was brilliant from the service line, especially in the final set when she dropped just two points on her serve.

"I was able to come back in the third set with a lot of great serves," said Novotna, who will face fourth-seeded, five-time champion Martina Navratilova in the semifinals.

Earlier, Navratilova was able to do what Graf could not — rebound from a miserable first set.

Navratilova kept alive her chance to break Chris Evert's record of 157 career titles this year by holding off fifth-seeded Spaniard Arantxa Sanchez Vicario 1-6, 6-4, 6-2.

"Arantxa was like a house on fire. I don't think I have ever lost a set that quickly," Navratilova said of the 18-minute opening set. "I have played worse in a set but I ran into a juggernaut."

Graf, who ends her year with seven titles including her third Wimbledon crown, was

equally impressed with her opponent's quick start.

"She played awfully well. In the first set she had such a strong serve I could barely do anything."

"But I made too many fore-

break of the second set for 4-2 when Novotna made one of her few errors from the service line, double faulting at break point.

The former world number one tenaciously held onto that advantage to send the dramatic contest into a deciding set.

The expectation that Graf would return to form and control the set faded quickly when Novotna blasted an ace to hold her first serve at 15 and broke the