Charity soccer for cyclone victims

Sports Reporter The Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) will arrange a series of exhibition football matches in the capital from May 7 to raise funds for the victims of the Apr 29 cyclone and tidal bore in the southern parts of the country.

The decision for holding five exhibition matches with four leading teams between May 7 and 15 was taken at a BFF meeting yesterday evening

Mohammedan SC, Abahani KC. Brothers Union and the Bangladesh Pre-Olympic (Under 23)) football team, now undergoing training, will take part in the charity matches.

The matches, five in all will be held at the Dhaka National Stadium starting at 7-00 pm

Mohammedans and Abahani will play three exhibition matches each while Brothers Union and the Bangladesh Pre-Olympic team will participate in two matches.

The fixture is as follows: May 7: Mohammedan SC vs Brothers Union

May 9: Mohammedan SC vs Pre-Olympic team

May 11: Abahani KC vs Pre-Olympic team May 13 : Abahani KC vs

Brothers Union May 15 : Abahani KC vs Mehammedan SC.

Sonali Atit

Meanwhile, the Sonali Atit Club will play an exhibition football match at Ghorashal against a local football team today at 4-30 p.m. to raise funds for the cyclone victims. The renowned footballers of

yesteryears will take part in the match.

Nat'l meets postponed

Sports Reporter

All the national sports championships have been postponed for the time being following an instruction from the State Minister for Youth and Sport's Mirza Abbas yesterday.

The national cricket championship final round, which was scheduled to start today, May 3, at the Dhaka Stadium, and the national shooting competition, which was scheduled to begin on May 6 at the Gulshan shooting range. have been affected by the de-

Fresh dates for these meets will be announced later.

NSC to donate Taka one lakh

Sports Reporter The National Sports Council has decided to donate Taka one lakh to the Prime Minister's relief fund to help the distressed people left ravaged by the devastating cycionic storm.

The officers and employees of NSC have also decided to donate their one-day's salary to the Prime Minister's relief

30 called for handball camp Sports Reporter

Thirty handball players have been called for a coaching camp to select the national junior team which will take part in the Commonwealth junior handball championship '91 scheduled to begin from August 6 in New Delhi. The course will be con-

ducted by Iqbal Shahnewaz while Wastm Khan will organise the camp.

The selected players have been asked to report by May 5 at the Bangladesh Handball Federation office.

The names of the selected players are: Helal, Evan. Palash (Jr). Mintoo (all from Brothers Union), Kiron, Shaheen, Salauddin, Topu and Babul (all from Surjadoy Boys Club), Abu, Palash, Rashedul, Rahal (all Junior Moishundi United), Shawpon, Saiful, Abu Sayeed (all from Jagoron Sanskriti Sangha). Humayun, Azad Rahman, Nayan (all from Dhaka Wanderers). Apu. Mukesh (Nicecop), Shahed Ali (BAF), Didar (West Jatrabari KC). Akul (Arunayaton). Tuhin (Kurmitola Apollo Club) Mongshah Prue (BDR), Taleb (Ansar). Nurul Islam (Police). iqbai (Farashgonj) and Arabindu (Christian Youth

TT coaching for school students

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Table Tennis Federation will organise a coaching camp for school boys and girls, according to a BTTF press release yesterday.

The press release added that with the schools being closed because of the current SSC exams the students will avail the opportunity to join the coaching camp. All interested participants have been asked to report to coach Hafizur Rahman at the National Coaching Centre tomorrow after 2:30 pm.

Aussies salvage pride

ST JOHN'S. Antigua, May 2: Australia regained some of their lost pride with a 157run victory in the fifth and final Test as their

bowlers prised out West Indies on Wednesday, winning with a day to spare, reports Reuter. West Indies, chasing a

daunting 455 to win, never looked like getting remotely close after the run outs of Gordon Greenidge (43) and Desmond Haynes (33) following an enterprising opening stand of 76.

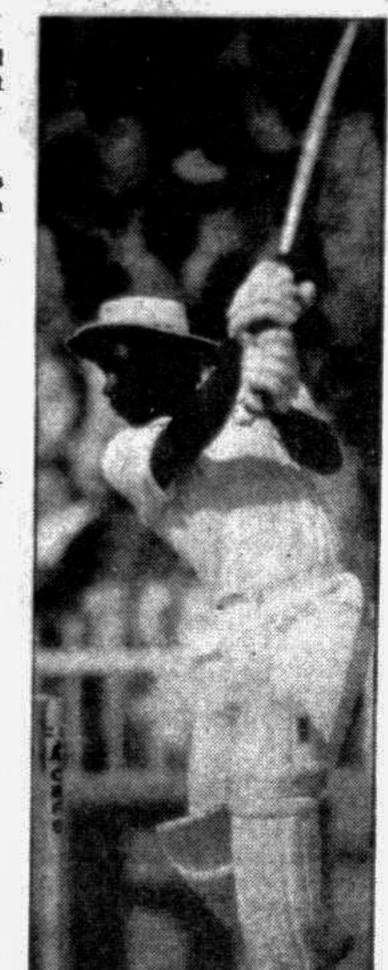
When Viv Richards, almost certainly playing his last Test on his home island, was out for just two, West Indies' challenge collapsed in the face of steady bowling and fine field-

Gus Logie and Malcolm Marshall prolonged the chase with half centuries, but it was always a matter of when, rather than if, and after three tailend wickets fell in one over he Australians wrapped up their victory with nine overs and a day remaining.

West Indies had gone into the match boasting a 2-0 lead in the series.

The West Indies began promisingly. Greenidge lifter Terry Alderman for 10 runs in consecutive balls and they reached 76 in the 21st over when Mery Hughes deflected a Greenidge drive on to the nonstriker's stumps with Haynes (33) out of his ground.

Four overs later David Boon, at square leg, dived to stop a Greenidge flick and hit the



RICHIE RICHARDSON Man-of-the-series

stumps with a direct throw to run out the opener for 43. Richie Richardson, later named Man-of-the-series, was displaying the sort of form he

had shown in his innings of 182 in Guyana when Jones caught him well down at cover

With 300 runs still to chase, Richardson's dismissal spelt the end. Although Carl Hooper (35), Gus Logie (61) and Malcolm Marshall (51) showed spirit the task was always too

great. Richards' early dismissal, caught by Terry Alderman at mid-wicket off Alan Border, was another disappointment and it gave him a series average of less than 25 from eight innings.

"I'm happy to bounce back to show we can compete against these guys," said Border. "But the West Indies are still the best team."

The series has been increasingly soured by animosity and Richards added: "There is bad blood everywhere in cricket now. We need something so people respect the game. People should realise no one is bigger than the game of cricket.

Border said: "When people get aggressive it means they respect you. When we have cooled down we will meet in Australia later this year and laugh about it."

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the fourth day of the fifth and final cricket Test between West Indies and Australia on Wednesday.

Australia: first innings 403 (M. Waugh 130 not out, D. Jones 81, M. Taylor 50, A. Border 59).

West Indies: first innings 214 (D. Haynes 84, C. McDermott four for 42, M. Hughes four for 65).

Australia: second innings 265 (M. Taylor 144, C. Walsh four for 56).

West Indies: second innings (overnight two for no wicket). Greenidge run out Haynes run out Richardson c Jones Hooper c M. Waugh b P. Taylor Richards c Alderman b Border Logie Ibw b Alderman Dujon lbw b McDermott Marshall lbw b Hughes Ambrose run out Walsh c Healy b Hughes Patterson not out Extras (b-5 lb-7 bn-8)

197 Total Fall of wickets: 1-76; 2-92; 3-142; 4-145; 5-182; 6-193; 7-271; 8-271; 9-271.

Bowling: McDermott Alderman Hughes P. Taylor 0 39 2 71 Broder M. Waugh Result: Australia won by 157

First Test: Kingston- match Second Test: Georgetown-

West Indies won by 10 wickets Third Test: Port-of-Spain Match drawn

Forth Test: Bridgetown West Indies won by 343

West Indies won series 2-1

US may hold 94 Cup indoors and a negative," Berlin said. DETROIT, May 2 its selections in December.



tes could place its mark on the World Cup in 1994 in many ways - one of them is being the first tournament to hold the games indoors, reports AP.

Under a bid announced by local businesses and government leaders, the Pontiac Silverdome had bid for games, so have the New Orleans Superdome and . Houston Astrodome.

The biggest challenge, organizers say, could be proving that a grass field is feasible indoors for the far-flung soccer tournament. The natural turf surface would have to be placed on top of the existing artificial ones in those stadi-

The Michigan Committee is one of 27 groups throughout the country that submitted bids by Wednesday for eight to 12 slots to host parts of the international event. World Cup USA 1994 Inc., the organizing committee for the month-long. 52-game event, is expected to announce

BRONDBY, Den-

mark. May 2:

China made a

stuttering start in

their attempt to

regain their sup-

remacy in world badminton

here on Tuesday night on the

opening day of the Sudirman

the expertise of their men's

and women's doubles pairings

to overcome a gallant Swedish

team 3-2 after world number

one Wu Wenkai had suffered a

shock defeat at the hands of

wished for a better send-off

when Huang Hua, the game's

top ranked woman, routed

Christine Magnusson 11-2, 11-

with their expected success in

the mixed doubles, Par-Gunnar

Jonsson and Maria Bengtsson

trouncing Zheng Yumin and Lai

tional 15-11, 15-8 triumph in

the men's singles, which rated

alongside his victory over

Danish legend Morten Frost in

the European Championships

stons I'd played him in the

past, but this time my net play

was very good," said the world

shots from the net, but they

only went mid-court, so I

nervous as well, because he

was expected to win, whereas

there was no pressure on me. I

Wenjiso paid tribute to the

lanky Swede. "He played very

well today, especially in the

"But Wu made a lot of mis-

takes and played too much

from the front of the court. He

must place the shuttle better."

that the Chinese might lose

the match, though, and it was

Wang was never worried

Chinese manager Wang

"I think he was a little bit

"He tried to shoot long

number 26 from Sweden.

could smash them down.

had everything to gain."

netting," said Wang.

"He was very sharp.

"I'd lost to Wu on both occa-

Then came Olsson's sensa-

Cat Qtn 15-6, 15-9.

But the Swedes pulled level

China could not have

They needed to call on all

Cup, reports AFP.

Jens Olsson.

"We believe we have the ingredients for a tremendously strong bid," Roger Faulkner, a member of the Michigan group's executive committee, said at a news conference on Wednesday

The Michigan group is bidding for the right to hold six of the games - four openinground contests, one second round and one quarterfinal contest. In first round, 24 national

round-robin competition, 16 teams advance to the singleelimination second round and Seven communities so far have applied for the final. Charles Cale, chief executive

officer of World Cup US 1994.

teams playing six groups. After

said he hoped 12 finalist cities would be selected by Dec. "It is our desire to have this tournament spread through the United States," Cale said. "I think the geographic dispersal we've seen from our bid cities

Cities that have applied for

dented by their defeat.

is exactly what we're hoping

"I was pleased because our

"And I was especially

women have been playing re-

ally badly and tonight they

pleased with Cheah Soon-Kit,

who had never played mixed

doubles before tonight and just

that Razif and Jalani Sidek

would not be missed by win-

ning the men's doubles with

Soo Beng-King 15-7, 15-7

after Lee Wai Leng had been

demolished 1-11, 8-11 by

to make up for Lim Siew

Choon's shortcomings in the

decisive mixed doubles, the

Malaysian partnership losing

the final rubber 15-2, 14-17.

10-15 to Alex Meyer and Eline

easy to see why as their

women's and men's doubles

teams came up trumps yet

Sweden on goal riot

May 2: Sweden beat Cyprus 6-0

(halftime 2-0) in a European

under-21 soccer champi-

onship Group eight qualifier on

(9th minute). Hakan Mild

(37th, 84th), Jonny Rodlund

(49th). Bjorn Lilius (52nd).

Soccer hooligans

2: About 600 holigans smashed

windows, threw stones and

fired flare guns in riots on

Wednesday before a European

soccer championship qualifier

between Germany and

fured in the unrest which

broke out near Hanover's cen-

tral railway station about three

hours before the start of the

Group five match, a police

He said about 300 hooligans

Four policemen were in-

HONOVER, Germany, May

Thomas Brolin (70th).

Belgium, police said.

spokesman said.

were detained.

Scorers: Patrik Andersson

Wednesday, reports Reuter.

HELSINGBORG. Sweden.

However, Cheah was unable

Astrid van Der Knaap.

Coene.

Cheah had first ensured

went in and did quite well."

played better," he explained.

the World Cup final are Dallas; Kansas City , Missouri; Los Angeles and Pasadena, California; Miami; East Rutherford, New Jersey; New York; and Tampa, Florida. The favorites are considered to be Joe Robbie Stadium in Miami. the Rose Bowl in Pasadena and Memorial Coliseum in Los

Cities will make oral presentations in Los Angeles the week of May 20. The cities will be selected jointly by the organizing committee and by FIFA, soccer's governing body.

The 1994 World Cup could be the first in which games are played indoors. US organizers are interested in attempting indoor play, but want evidence that indoor facilities can handle the grass surface required by international regulations. The domed stadiums would have temporary fields placed over their artificial surfaces.

Ross Berlin, World Cup USA 1994 vice president in charge of venues, says the idea of playing a game indoors can work both for and against a prospective city. "It can be both a positive

First Guan Weizhen and

Nong Qun Hua crushed

Bengtsson and Magnusson 15-

8, 15-1. Then Li Yongobo and

Tian Bingyi showed why they

have been world champions

since 1987 by rallying superbly

"Both the ladies' and men's

from 8-13 down in the first

doubles pairs played very well.

especially the ladies," said

Danes beat Japan

trouble disposing of Japan 4-1

in their Group One match,

although Dorte Kjaer and Netti

Nielsen - back together fol-

lowing Lotte Olsen's sacking -

struggled to win the crucial

9 against Kimiko Jinnai and

Hisako Mori after Hisako Mizui

had upset Permille Nedergaard

Ikeda complained: "The Danish

Japanese manager Nobutaka

They won 15-3, 13-15, 15-

women's doubles.

11-8, 8-11, 12-10.

Denmark had rather less

Wang.

game to triumph 15-13, 15-8.

"The positive is that it presents America with a chance to put its stamp on the World Cup. The negative is can we place a field indoors and maintain it at a necessary level for the length of the tournament?" The Superdome is bidding

for first-and second-round games and semifinals, while the Astrodome bid to play host to first-round games. Faulkner said the Michigan group might join them in a combined trial of indoor turf cultivation. The Stiverdome would have to build a platform to hold the playing surface, he said.

If the 80,000-seat Silverdome is picked as one of the 12 World Cup '94 sites, southeastern Michigan would see an additional 80 million dollars in economic activity, said Miran Sarkissian, another executive committee member. The group estimates the

event would use up to 25,000 hotel rooms out of the 36,000 rooms within an hour's drive "It will put Detroit in the limelight, the international

limelight," Sarkissian said. Stuttering start by Chinese

players' concentration was a

lot better, especially in the

men's doubles. We lost the

match because of that defeat."

made short work of Chinese-

Taipei, whitewashing them 5-

0, while the Netherlands

in their impressive opening,

despite missing former

European champion Darren

Hall, who was sidelined by a

Butler, was also injured, but

his painful right arm did not

prevent him overwhelming Lee

England manager Ciro

Ciniglio commented: "With all

the trials and tribulations

Mou Nhou 15-9, 15-1.

His replacement, Steve

England did not lose a game

edged past Malaysia 3-2.

bad back.

In Group Two England

National champion Syed

Tahmidur Rahman maintained his lead in the first United Insurance International Masters' chess tournament at the end of the sixth round yesterday at the NSC chess room.

FIDE Master Tahmidur Rahman now has five points from six games and remains unbeaten. Yesterday he defeated Maruf Ahmed of

Pakistani International feat each.

In yesterday's other results, Mahmood Ahmed Lodhi beat FIDE Master Jamtlur Rahman of Bangladesh and TN Parameswaran defeated compatriot V. Sareen in their fifth matches while Zillur Rahman Champak outplayed Ashraf Hossain Nannu of Bangladesh in his sixth encounter. It was Nannu's sixth consecutive de-

we've had, this is quite a good V. Koshi beat fellow Indian Punch Gunalan, the Malaysian supremo, was happy with his side as well, even though their hopes of promotion to the top level were

Syed Tahmidur Rahman (L) beat Maruf Ahmed yesterday at the NSC chess room to maintain his lead in the United Insurance Masters' meet after six rounds. -Star photo

MCC stands for male chauvinism!

LONDON, May 2: Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC), owners of Lord's and once described as the most venerated institution in the British empire, on Wednesday voted to uphold a 200-year-old tradition and remain all-male.



England Former women's cricket captain Rachel Heyhoe-Flint had hoped to become the first woman Queen Elizabeth excepted - allowed into the members' pavilion, but the club rejected two proposals that would have made that possible.

The first proposal, that all women should be eligible for membership, was defeated by a 2-1 majority.

A second, that any including individual. women, should be eligible honorary membership of the club, was defeated by a 319 majority. The voting was: 3, 684 for, 3,365 against. Heyhoe-Flint's

application for membership was the first from a woman since the MCC was founded in 1797.

Felicitations

Sports Reporter

The Hockey Players' Association has congratulated Chapai, Nasim, Sadeq and Jumman Lusai for receiving the Bangladesh Sports Journalists' Association (BSJA) awards for 1987, 1988,1989 and 1990 respectively, which was presented to them on May 1 at a local hotel.

The Hockey Players' Association also feted other award recipients and praised the BSJA for making the awards which the association hoped will inspire the sportsmen, organisers, coaches and help the development and improvement of the country's

Tahmid leads

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh in the sixth round.

Master Mahmood Ahmed Lodhi, Indian International Master TN Parameswaran and local International Master Zillur Rahman Champak are jointly in the second position with four points each. All of them have conceded one de-

Bipin Slenoy while Rezaul Hoque of Bangladesh drew with Almasur Rahman in the other sixth round matches yes-

Matthaeus fires German winner

HANOVER, GERMANY, May 2: World champions Germany stepped up the pressure on Group Five leaders Wales with a workmanlike 1-0 victory over Belgium in their European Championship soccer quali-

fier on Wednesday, reports Reuter. A third minute goal from captain Lothar Matthaeus put the Germans into second place in the group, one point behind the Welsh. Berti Vogts's team, who travel to Cardiff for the group's key clash next month, have a game in hand.

After dominating the first half with Matthaeus some attractive, attacking soccer, the Germans seemed happy to hold on to their slim lead as Belgium pushed forward after the break. But Guy Thy's young team rarely looked dangerous and are

Striker Rudi Voeller was originally given Germany's early goal when he scrambled the ball over the line after Belgian keeper Michel Predud'homme failed to hold Matthaeus's shot from a narrow angle. But after the game Yugoslav referee Zoran Petrovic gave

now out of contention with just three points from four games.

the goal officially to Matthaeus, ruling that his shot had crossed the line.

"It was a lucky win and I can't be satisfied with that," Vogts said. But it may be easier for us in Wales because they are sure to play a more attacking game. The Belgians did not play and open game. They came here just to get a good result."

Danes upset Yugoslavs

BELGRADE, May 2: Bent Christensen scored twice as Denmark gained a surprise 2-1 win over Yugoslavia in a European Championship Group Four qualifier on Wednesday. reports Reuter.

The Danes controlled the game throughout and could have won more convincingly against the Yugoslavs who had taken maximum points from their four previous games in the group. Christensen, part of the Brondby side which reached the

UEFA Cup semifinals, headed home from close range after a pass by Borussia Dortmund's Flemming Povisen in the 32nd Yugoslavia equalised five minutes into the second half

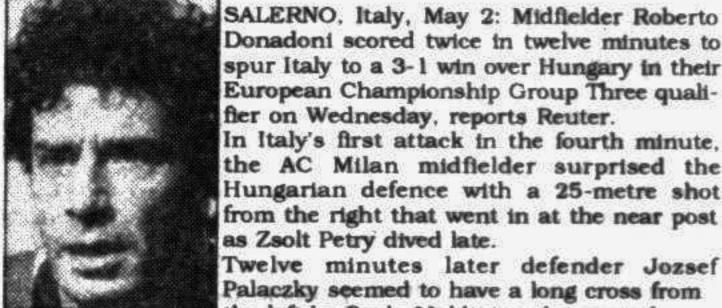
when Red Star Belgrade strike Rdarko Paancev outjumped the Danish defence to score his eighth goal in his last four internationals.

The home players appeared to lose concentration once they were level and Denmark cashed in after Yugoslav playmaker Robert Prosinecki lost the ball in the 62nd minute. Povisen quickly fed Christensen and the unmarked striker

Denmark were seemingly unaffected by the absence of brothers Michael and Brian Laudrup, who decided to boycott the national side after a row with coach Richard Nielsen.

Yugoslavia have eight points from five games remain favourites to qualify for next year's finals. The second-placed danes have five points from four games.

Donadoni's fine double



scored again from 15 metres.

Donadoni scored twice in twelve minutes to spur Italy to a 3-1 win over Hungary in their European Championship Group Three qualifler on Wednesday, reports Reuter. In Italy's first attack in the fourth minute,

the AC Milan midfielder surprised the Hungarian defence with a 25-metre shot from the right that went in at the near post as Zsolt Petry dived late.

Twelve minutes later defender Jozsef Palaczky seemed to have a long cross from the left by Paolo Maldini under control

when Donadoni nipped in to win the ball and whip it into the roof of the net from close range. Striker Gianluca Vialli made up for missing a penalty by

adding the third in the 56th minute. Gyorgy Bognar replied for Hungary with a penalty 10 minutes later. Italy went to the top of the group on goal difference from

the Hungarians who have played two games more. The Soviet Union are a point behind with a game in hand over Italy.

Swiss come back from the dead

SOFIA, May 2: Two goals by Adrian Knupp helped Switzerland bounce back from 2-0 down at halftime to beat Bulgaria 3-2 in the closing seconds of their European Championship Group Two qualifier on Wednesday.

The Swiss had looked dead and buried by the break after Bulgaria, attacking constantly, scored through Georgi Yordanov in the 11th minute and Nasko Sirakov in the 25th. But the Bulgarians paid for sitting back and defending their lead in the second half.

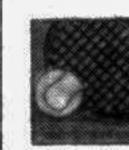
In the 59th minute a bad pass from Bulgarian defender Pavel Dochev was picked up by Switzerland's Heinz Hermann. His shot was deflected by goalkeeper Borislav Mihailov and Knupp picked up the loose ball to score from 20 metres. His second in the 85th minute followed a pass from

Christophe Bonvin, Knupp crashing his shot into the corner The Swiss clinched the match in the closing seconds when striker Kubilay Tuerkyilmaz broke away on his own and dribbled past the charging keeper to slot the ball into an

empty net. Bulgarian assistant coach Krasimir Borisov, standing in for Ivan Vytsov who has been banned from the trainer's bench for three years for spitting at a referee, said:

"It is inexplicable why we lost. Switzerland did not surprise us with anything. We surprised ourselves. After halftime some of our players obviously thought it was all over."

Korda beats heat -and Brown



TAMPA, Florida, May 2: Czechoslovak Petr Korda struggled through stifling heat to save five match

points before beating American Jimmy Brown 10-8 in a thirdset tiebreak to advance at the elay courts of Tampa tennis tournament on Wednesday. reports Reuter.

"I felt like I was going to die on the court," said the fourthseeded Korda after battling back from a 6-2 deficit in the tiebreak to register a 6-4, 2-6. 7-6 wirf in 33-degree centigrade heat. "The conditions made it

very difficult for me. When I left Europe, it was snowing." Korda said. "I am not used to this heat and humidity yet. But I kept fighting." The victory lifted Korda into the quarter-finals of the

250,000 dollar tournament. where he will meet Mikael Pernfors of Sweden. Pernfors, continuing his comeback after an injury forced him off the ATP tour for

Christian Saceanu of Germany 6-4, 6-2. Also reaching the quarters were top-seeded American

winner over Brouno Oresar of Yugoslavia, and seventh-seeded Malivai Washington, who beat fellow-American Bryan Shelton 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (7-4). Brown held quadruple

Richey Reneberg, a 6-3, 6-4

match-point after taking a 6-2 lead in the climaetic tiebreak but Korda refused to quit. He came to the net four successive times and hit four win-

Korda saw it differently. "I was strong inside," Korda said. "I didn't shake (on the important points)."

JU indoor-sports underway

SAVAR : A four-day interhall indoor-sports competition of Jahangirnagar University began at the University Gymnasium yesterday, reports Vice-Chancellor

Jahangirnagar University Prof. Kazi Saleh Ahmed inaugurated the competition as chief-guest. A large number of students from six halls are taking part

nearly a year, defeated in the competition. The competition includes chess, tabletennis, bridge, badminton and carom.

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