

Adamjee, Khulna sent packing

Sports Reporter



Mash's goal from a second half penalty enabled Youngmen's Fakirpool Club to reach the Group C final of the Eleventh Federation Cup football championship.

Fakirpool registered the solitary goal victory over Adamjee Sports and Cultural Club in their first round match yesterday afternoon at Dhaka Stadium.

In the second match of the day, held in the evening, fancied Victoria Sporting Club struggled to beat Khulna Division 7-6 in a sudden-death shoot out when the match ended goalless after the regulation time.

Fakirpool and Adamjee Club, with their insipid and boring display, disappointed the sparse crowd.

Both teams adopted a defensive approach from the very beginning with neither side willing to take any risks especially in the first half.

After the breather, Fakirpool looked the better side in comparison to their opponents.

The match started at a slow pace. Neither team managed to create any clear scoring opportunity in the first half.

Fakirpool came back in the second half with more determination and in the fifth minute of the resumption striker Mash sent a long through to Mehdi who outpaced the Adamjee defenders to gain control of the ball inside the penalty box and, as he was about to take the shot at goal, Adamjee's Jamal cynically brought him down from behind and referee Mozaffar Hossain, without any hesitation, pointed his finger at the dreaded spot. Mash stepped forward to neatly convert (1-0).

In the very next minute Adamjee nearly equalised when Akhter, from a Badshah cross, blasted high over the crosspiece with the Fakirpool goalie Dhanu at his mercy.

Firo, Fakirpool's substitute, spoiled two good chances in the second half while Akhter of Adamjee made an

Atletico retain the lead

MADRID, Sept 29: Atletico Madrid retained their Spanish league soccer lead on goal difference on Saturday, winning 2-0 at Real Sociedad, reports Reuter.

But rivals Real Madrid kept up the pressure with a 3-1 home win over Sevilla who are in third, while champions Barcelona continued an indifferent run, losing 2-1 on a sodden pitch at Sporting Gijon.

Both Madrid teams have won all their four opening games, but Atletico have yet to concede a goal.

Atletico had an easy time in San Sebastian against Real Sociedad's Young, inexperienced players, Gabriel Moya opened the scoring after 40 minutes and Juan Vizcaino struck late in the game to ensure both points.

Two goals in seven minutes in the first half by Emilio Butragueno set Real Madrid on their way. Sevilla's only reply came from Ignacio Conte in the 82nd minute.

In Gijon, Abelardo Fernandez put the home side ahead after 15 minutes and Monchu Suarez made it 2-0 in the 68th minute.

Barcelona's goal came from an 80th-minute penalty by Dane Michael Laudrup.

The champions played the last 25 minutes with only 10 men after Nando Munoz was sent off. Ten other players were booked in a flurry of incidents caused largely by the state of the pitch.

Trevino richer by \$ 53,700

TOKYO, Sept 29: Lee Trevino rolled in five birdies Sunday for a round of 67 and a six-shot victory in the 40 million yen (drs 299,000) Mitsukoshi senior golf tournament, reports AP.

Trevino's 14-under-par 202 total, which also included an opening round 66, gave the 51-year-old American his second victory in Japan since he became a senior player last year. He led the US PGA senior tour in money earnings in 1990.

Trevino started Sunday's final round with three-stroke lead over Hisashi Suzumura, who shot a 70 and tied for second at 208 with fellow Japanese Ichiro Togawa. Togawa shot a 65 Sunday on the 6,547-yard (5,892-meter), par-72 Caledonian Golf Club course in Yokohama, about 75 kilometers (45 miles) east of Tokyo.

Trevino received first prize money of 7-2 million yen (drs 53,700). Suzumura and Togawa each collected 2.8 million yen (drs 20,900).

unpardonable mistake when he shot wide from a handshaking distance three minutes from the long whistle.

Fakirpool will now meet the winners of the Victoria SC versus Rahmatganj MFS match on October 5.

VICTORIA WIN 7-6

The visiting Khulna Divisional side made the fancied Victorians sweat it out, forcing a sudden-death shoot out after both the teams failed to break the deadlock.

In the tie-breakers, each side managed to convert four of the five penalty kicks, forcing the sudden death play-off.

In the shootouts, Zainal scored for Khulna and Anwar of Victoria equalised.

Bayazid shot Khulna's seventh kick wide off the goalpost. It was then left to Victorian captain Pradip to do the needful for taking his team to group semifinal.

Pradip slowly marched forward and placed the ball past the diving Adamjee custodian Narayan.

Shagar, Shankar, Tareque, Mamoon Babu, Tawfique, Anwar and Pradip converted their penalty kicks for Fakirpool while Babul saw his kick blocked by Narayan.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Army vs Police (4 pm)

BJMC SC vs Dhaka Division (6 pm)



Action from first of yesterday's Fed Cup first round matches between Fakirpool YMC and Adamjee SC at Dhaka Stadium. Fakirpool won 1-0.

— Star photo

Indo-Pak one-dayers now from Oct 28

NEW DELHI, Sept 29: Pakistan's upcoming cricket tour of India for a series of five one-day matches has been postponed by a day, it was announced on Saturday, reports AFP.

The first match, originally scheduled for October 27 in Bombay, will now be held the next day at the same venue, Madhavrao Scindia, President

Cricket camp certificates

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The certificates awarding ceremony of the month-long coaching camp for fast bowlers and wicket-keepers, organised by the Dhaka Cricket Players' Association, will be held today at 4:30 pm at the BCCB office at Dhaka stadium.

Raisuddin Ahmed, vice-president of the Bangladesh Cricket Control Board will grace the occasion as chief guest.

Liu's new world mark

DONAUCHEMINGEN, Germany, Sept 29: China's Liu Shoubin broke his own world record for the snatch in the bantamweight division on Saturday, reports Reuters.

It was the third record to fall in the opening two days of the World Weightlifting Championships.

Liu lifted 135.0 kgs in the class up to 56 kgs to add 0.5 kgs to the previous best he set in the Soviet city of Kemerovo in March 1989.

The Chinese lifter took gold in the event ahead of compatriot Jianming Luo and South

AB Bank TT now from Oct 15

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The Arab Bangladesh Bank table tennis league, which was originally scheduled to begin from October 10, has been put back by five days.

Now the league will begin from October 15 at the National Coaching Centre.

The table tennis league, organised by the Bangladesh Table Tennis Federation and sponsored by Arab Bangladesh Bank, will have only men's team events in its roster.

Scindia said the changes followed a request by Pakistan, which wanted a two-day rest after competing the Champions Cup tournament at Sharjah, United Arab Emirates.

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