Mohammedans outclass Brothers

Dhaka Mohammedan Sporting Club tipped off its blossoming into the most powerful side in

this year's Navana Premier Division cricket league yesterday at the Dhaka Stadium when the only unbeaten side crushed last year's champions Brothers Union club by a staggering margin of seven wickets.

Brothers Union, who never looked like threatening Mohammedans, made exactly 200 for nine wickets after being put into bat by Minhazul Abedin Mannu, in their stipulated 45 overs.

Mohammedans achieved the victory target with a bye off the second ball of the 41st over bowled by 'formality' bowler Haltm Shah. Rafiqui Alam, the moody, right-hand batsman, played himself right under the lime-light after a couple of indifferent seasons with - a sterling, unbeaten 91. He sent the ball to the ropes five times, playing 101 balls in

the process. It was the second consecutive big knock by this former national batsman after his 82 against PWD. One of the finest players of spin bowling in the country Rafiq, who must be knocking at the door for a return to the national eleven after a rare display of consistency with the willow this season, looks at this stage of his career a little suspect against pace. He was, however, in no trouble against a Brothers attack depleted by poor fielding. Rafiq, given a new lease of life by a magnanimous gesture of sportsmanship by teammate Aminul Islam Bulbul, failed to get what would have been a well-deserved hundred, his first of the current season.

Bulbul, little inattentive at

Greater Mymen-

singh Cricket Cl-

ub overcame a

precarious start

to post a comfort-

able 63-run victo-

ry against relegation bound

Wari Club in the Navana Pre-

mier Division Cricket league

match at the Dhanmondi

were off to a terrible start with

four of their batsman back ir

the pavilion on a wicket where

the ball bounced disconcert-

ingly in the early half of the

Zakir fetched off his side

with an enterprising 59, in-

cluding five hits to the fence.

with admirable assistance from

Saiful with 25 and Pika with

Sharath, the Sri Lankan all-

20 provided fine rearguard ac-

tion to take their side to a safe

score of 186 for nine in the

forty-two overs sent down by

the Wari bowlers. Wari opening

mises to emulate his more

illustrious name-sake in

Brothers Union, took three for

27. Rafigul (Jr) claimed two

on hockey league beating

Bangladesh Ansars 3-0 yes-

terday at the Hockey Stadium.

beat Police Athletic Club in

their previous outing, domi-

nated most of the proceedings

and created at least five posi-

tive chances but succeeded

were trounced by Dhaka

Mariner Youngs Club 0-7 in

their last game, always re-

mained busy in guarding their

goal and quite understandably

showed little interest in carry-

Bangladesh Ansars, who

only in scoring from three.

Mohammedans led the first

The title-aspirants, who

Mohammedan

Sporting Club re-

corded their fou-

rth consecutive

win in the Green

Delta First Divisi-

for 41.

half 2-0.

bowler Saad, showing pro-

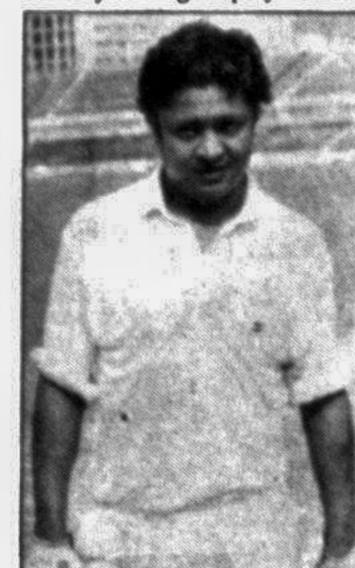
rounder who made 35.

Electing to bat first GMCC

Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Sports Reporter first to respond to a sharp single, sacrificed his wicket after seeing his partner charge down the wicket to depart for a brisk 26.

A new look Azhar Hossain Shantoo was the other Mohammedan batsman to shine with the willow, hitting a breezy 58 with the help of five boundaries off 83 balls before holing out to Tomal at midwicket. It was the second consecutive fifty for the bespectas cled opener after a long lay off. A very straight player, not



RAFIQUL ALAM . 91 n.o.

known for cross batted strokes, Shantoo now plays the pull shot frequently to punish the shorter balls.

Jehangir Alam. Mohammedans' mainstay with the bat at the beginning of the season, could not choke off his bad luck as a Fernando delivery rocketed to his stumps off the inside edge of his bat much to the dismay of the young opener. However, he had a fine day behind the stumps

GMCC aggravate Wari's woes

The fact that GMCC's mod-

est 186 was to much for a

weak Wari was soon reiterated

when Saiful, one of the most

promising quickies around.

for nought.

wicket.

clean bowled opener Sumon

Although Kamran laboured

for his 33 and Zia made and

unbeaten 31. Wari surrendered

their stipulated 42 overs.

at 124, losing eight wickets in

Sri Lankan Duminda Pereira

hastened Wari's doom taking

three quick wickets for 22

runs with his left-arm spin-

an astonishingly economical

analysis of seven overs, three

maidens, six run and one

SCOREBOARD

Liton c Ripon b Saad

Nasu c Iftekher b Saad

Duminda c Raju b Kajal

Zakir c Sumon b Rafigul

Salim c Raju b Saad

Sharath b Rafigul

Pika st Raju b Zia

Saiful b Rafiq (Sr)

Rubel not out

Gowala not out

Lipu st Raju b Lalu

Off-spinner Rubel returned

Sports Reporter

managing five victims, a rare feat in a predominantly batsman's game.

Earlier in the day. Brothers opener Nurul Abedin Nobel compiled a fine 63 with the help of five fours and one six in his usual unorthodox manner.

Habibul Bashar Sumon, the talented young right-hand batsman going great guns this year, made 37 before airing one to Gamagee off veteran leggie Waheed. His 43-ball innings contained four elegant boundaries.

Burly Arup Bhattacharya did his best in the slog overs to collect an unbeaten 39 off only 34 balls.

Captain Athar Ali Khan, who scored a fine unbeaten hundred off the GMCC attack in the previous match, was a big flop yesterday scoring only one before being stumped by Jehangir off Shantoo.

Sri Lankan all-rounder Fernando was sent back by Bulbul for only 12 and Halim Shah became the third victim of the off-spinner after making

Mohammedans' tall barrelchested opening bowler Gamagee who had earlier dismissed opener Tomal, returned to produce a tight second spell, restricting Brothers to 200. He finished with two for 26 while Bulbul, with a wee bit of pasting, returned figures of three for 50.

Shantoo and Waheed picked up one wicket apiece.

This was Mohammedan's tenth victory on the trot while for Brothers Union, last year's champions, it was their fourth defeat in ten outings.

Abahani are second in the league standings, having won nine of their ten games to date, having suffered their solitary defeat at the hands of arch rivals Mohammedans on January 13.

R

27

32

19

12

41

25

9

9

16

13

28

6

22

6

5

0

0

0

33

0 18

0

SCOREBOARD

| POSTON SPESSOR SP | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|---|----|---|
| Bowling: | 0 | M | R | W |
| Gamagee | 7 | 0 | 26 | 2 |
| Dulu | 7 | 0 | 14 | 1 |
| Bulbul | 8.4 | 0 | 50 | 3 |
| Nannu | 4.2 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| Shantoo | 9 | 0 | 34 | 1 |
| Waheed | 9 | 2 | 44 | 1 |

| | All the state of t | 3.700 | - | N 5000000 | |
|---------|--|--------|---|-----------|-----|
| N 12 TH | MOHAMMET | AN S | 2 | | |
| | Jehangir b F | | | | 2 |
| | Shantoo c To | omal b | | | _ |
| | Salahuddin | | | | 58 |
| | Rafiq not out | Bi. | | | 91 |
| | Bulbul run ou | | | | 26 |
| | Nannu not ou | | | | 9 |
| | Extras: | | | | 15 |
| | Total: | | | - 8 | 105 |
| | Bowling: | 0 | M | R | W |
| | Fernando | 7 | 0 | 20 | 1 |
| | Sead | 9 | 1 | 27 | 0 |
| | Athar Ali | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| | Shamsul | 5 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| | Salahuddin | 7 | 0 | 36 | |
| | Arup | 7 | 0 | 36 | 0 0 |
| | Sumon | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| | Shovon | 2 | 0 | 11 | |
| | Tomal | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| | Halim Shah | 0.2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

TODAY'S MATCHES

Mullick, Abdul Hadi Ratan

Umpires: Ataul Hoque

Navana Surjo Tarun Club vs Kalabagan KC (Dhaka Stadium) Milnars

Udity Club vs Agrant Bank

No World Cup for Miandad

LAHORE, Jan 28: Javed Mi andad. Pakistan's most accomplished batsman, is out of the World Cup after hurting his back during weekend training. it was confirmed on Monday.

Miandad's name was miss-

The 34-year-old middle in all four previous World Cups, and his captain Imran Khan be desperately short of experi-

"It is a very young team and we need a bit of experience. It was a vital position that he (Miandad) was going to play at number three," Imran said.

Miandad had suffered a recurrence of his chronic back injury while fielding at a practice session in Lahore on Saturday.

After suffering a miserable spell in the recent three-Test home series against Sri Lanka. Miandad returned to form with a sparkling, unbeaten 115 in a one-day international in Hyderabad 11 days ago.

Pakistan Squad: Imran Khan (captain). Rameez Raja, Aamer Sohail, Inzamamul Haq. Zahid Fazal, Salim Malik, Ijaz Ahmed, Moin Khan, Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis, Aaqib Javed, Saleem Jaffer, Mushtaq Ahmed, Akram Raza, Shahid Saeed.

by converting a penalty corner

verted a penalty corner (3-2). But the insurancemen yet again drew level through Nakib just before the hooter (3-3).

Bima earned four corners

Fazlu, Rubel and Kamal of card while Rana of the same side was cautioned with the yellow card.

from four outings white Wanderers have six from a similar number of games.

TODAY'S MATCHES Mariner Youngs Club vs

Bangladesh SC (1:45 pm) Ajax SC vs Usha Krira Chakra (3:30 pm).

Cricket tour

Sports Reporter

team is likely to make a short tour of Bangladesh next month, according to BCCB sources in Dhaka last night.

committee meets today to finalise an itinerary for the tour, involving four matches in and outside the capital, between the second

Bengal yesterday proposed the trip to the BCCB, it is learnt.

RECTUEDS TINION

| Tomal c Jehangir b Gamage | e 4 |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Novel c Waheed b Bulbul | 63 |
| Shamsul c Jehangir b Dulu | 8 |
| Sumon c Gamagee B Wahee | d 3 |
| Athar Ali st Jehangir | |
| Shantoo | 1 |
| Arup not out | 39 |
| Fernando c Gamagee | |
| b Bulbul | 12 |
| Halim Shah st Jehangi | r b |
| Bulbul | 11 |
| Shovon c Jehangir b Gamas | tee 9 |
| Saad run out | 1 |
| Salahuddin not out | 0 |
| Extras: | 18 |
| 2 E-1999 1995 E-1997 | 200 |
| | |

| Bowling: | 0 | M | R | W |
|----------|-----|---|----|---|
| Gamagee | 7 | 0 | 26 | 2 |
| Dulu | 7 | 0 | 14 | 1 |
| Bulbul | 8.4 | 0 | 50 | 3 |
| Nannu | 4.2 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| Shantoo | 9 | 0 | 34 | 1 |
| Waheed | 9 | 2 | 44 | 1 |

| | SAME DOWN STREET | 5455 | - | 20000000 | |
|------|------------------|------|---|----------|---|
| 1000 | MOHAMMEDA | N SC | | | |
| | Jehangir b Ferr | | | | 2 |
| Ě | Shantoo c Tom | | | | |
| į. | Salahuddin | | | | 58 |
| Ę | Rafiq not out | | | | 91 |
| | Bulbul run out | | | | 26 |
| 8 | Nannu not out | | | | 9 |
| 2000 | Extras: | | | | 15 |
| | Total: | | | | 201 |
| | Bowling: | 0 | М | R | |
| | Fernando | 7 | 0 | 20 | 1 |
| Ž. | Sead | 9 | 1 | 27 | 0 |
| | Athar Ali | 1 | 0 | 8 | . 0 |
| ğ | Shamsul | 5 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| ŝ | Salahuddin | 7 | 0 | 36 | W 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 |
| | Arup | 7 | 0 | 36 | 0 |
| Ě | Sumon | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| | Shovon | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 |

(Mirpur Pallabi)

reports Reuter.

ing when the Board of Control for Cricket in Pakistan (BCCP) announced their squad of 15. to be reduced to 14 before the tournament starts in Australia and New Zealand on February

order batsman is one of the few cricketers to have played said on Sunday the team would ence without Miandad.

A BCCP spokesman said

Pakistan are due to leave on Thursday for three weeks of practice on Australian pitches before the World Cup starts.

Richardson sidelined

ST JOHN'S, Antigua, Jan 28 West Indies cricket captain Richie Richardson will be out of action for 10 days after breaking a finger in a match here on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Richardson chipped a bone in the little finger of his left hand while fielding for the Leeward Islands in a Red Stripe Cup game against the Windward Islands.

Leeward Islands manager Val Banks on Monday described the injury as not serious and said the finger was bandaged.

Richardson is due in Jamaica later this week to help choose the West Indian squad for the World Cup in Australia and New Zealand starting on February 22.

Soccer tour

Sports Reporter A fifteen-member squad of Mansoor Sporting Club will leave Dhaka for Swarupkathi on February 5 to play three exhibition matches.

They will take on Swarupkathi Mohammedans on Feb 6, Youth Sporting Club the next day and Inderhat Bander Ekadash on 8.



fourth Test against Australia in Adelaide on Jan 27. Kapil Dev took five wickets for 130 runs. - AFP photo

Indians face a most daunting task

ADELAIDE. Australia, Jan 28 : India struggled grimly today to stay in contention in the fourth cricket Test against Australia and to keep the series alive, reports

Chasing a victory target of 372 on a wearing wicket at the Adelaide Oval, India were 31 without loss in their second innings at stumps on the

fourth day The Indians, who lost the first two Tests in four days through inept batting, need a further 341 runs to win, or bat out three sessions for a draw on the final day Wednesday.

Earlier, Australia - 80 behind on the first innings were all out for 451 in their second innings soon after tea after a late batting revival in which the last five wickets

added 174 Skipper Allan Border led the recovery with a timely unbeaten 91 made in a dour, defensive style over five-and-ahalf hours.

The 36-year-old veteran of 129 Tests, who made a duck in the first innings rout of 145, returned to form after a poor run in the previous six innings which he managed just 105

But he fell short of his 24th Test century when last man Mike Whitney, who made his highest Test score of 12 during a stand of 42, holed out in the deep after batting for an hour

Leading all-rounder Kapil Dev. 34, was India's wreckerin-chief with five for 130 in 51 overs, which gave him eight wickets in the match and took his career haul to 397 in 114

India were lucky not to lose an early wicket when Mark Taylor missed Navjot Sidhu off Whitney's first delivery before the batsman had opened his account Sidhu and opening partner

Krish Srikkanth survived 13 hostile overs from the Australian paceman to make 13 aptece and carry the fight on to what promises to be an absorbing final day.

Starting the day at 245 for two. Australia were reduced to 277 for five within the first hour when a dramatic middle order slump saw them lose three wickets in four bails for no runs. David boon, 121 not out

overnight, took his score to 135 before wicketkeeper Chandrakanth Pandit ran him out with a direct hit at the non-striker's wicket while the batsman was stroll in through for a single. Kapil, India' lone bowling

hope after Manoj Prabhakar was sidelined with a back strain, then blasted out Dean Jones and Mark Waugh off successive balls to bring India roaring back into the game. He had Jones caught behind

with a superb out-swinger and forced Waugh to edge the next delivery to Sachin Tendulkar at second slip. Ian Healy slammed a quick-

fire 41 in a 71-run stand for the sixth wicket with Border to begin the Australian revival against the depleted Indian

ally safe Kapil drop a running catch at square leg when on eight, hit four boundaries to take the battle to the Indians while Border was contend to defend. After Healy's departure in

Healy, lucky to see the usu-

the post-lunch session -Kapil's 397th victim-Mery Hughes showed his batting flair by making 23 in a seventh-wicket stand of 35 with his captain. The pair carried the score

to 383 for stx when Javagal Srinath responded to India's call with two wickets in one over to temporarily halt the run hunt. Srinath claimed Hughes leg

before with a sharp incutter and two balls later had Shane Warne, playing his second Test, caught down the leg side by Pandit. But India's hopes of cutting

Australia's lead were crushed by useful contributions from Craig McDermott, who made 21, and new-ball partner Whitney.

Whitney, who made just 18 runs in 12 previous Test innings with a highest of seven, put his head down for a hour to help Border give Australia a lead of over 350.

Realising the need to get quick runs, Border smashed Kapil over midwicket for a huge six which landed in the Oval's Car Park, but he was left stranded when Whitney lofted spinner Venkatapathy Raju down Srinath's throat at mid-

Raju, who took three for 11 in the first innings, returned with two for 121 from 56

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard on the fourth

day of the fourth Test between Australia and India today. AUSTRALIA : First innings 145 (D Jones 41, Kapil Dev three for 33. V. Raju three for

INDIA : First innings 225 (Kapil Dev 56, C McDermott five for 76)

AUSTRALIA : Second innings (overnight 245 for two wickets) M. Taylor c Raju b Dev 100 marsh b Dev Boon run out 135 border not out Jones c Pandit b Dev M Waugh c Tendulkar b Dev Healy c Srikkanth b Dev Hughes Ibw Srinath Warne c Pandit b Srinath McDermott b Raju

Extras: (lb-15, nb-8) 451 Total: (all out) Fall of wickets: 1-10. 2-231, 3-277, 4-277, 5-277, 6-

Whitney c Srinath b Raju

| 348, 7-383, | 8-383, | 9-4 | 109. | |
|-------------|--------|-----|------|---|
| Bowling: | 0 | M | R | w |
| Kapil Dev | 51 | 12 | 130 | 5 |
| Prabhakar | 21 | 5 | 60 | 0 |
| Raju | 56 | 15 | 121 | 2 |
| Srinath | 37 | 13 | 76 | 2 |
| Srikkanth | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

| Tendulkar | 20 |) 5 | 4 | 4 0. |
|--|-------|--------|-------------|-------|
| INDIA : Sec | ond i | nnin | gs | |
| Srikkanth ba | | | | 13 |
| Sidhu battin | | | (() | 13 |
| Extras : (lb 2 | 2, nb | 3) | | 5 |
| Total: | | 1976.1 | | 31 |
| Bowling: | 0 | M | R | W |
| McDermott | 7 | 1 | 17 | 0 |
| Whitney | 4 | 1 | 11 | 0 |
| PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE PROPE | | | 2000 | 64.50 |

Kiwi selectors deny panic

New Zealand's bowling at-

WELLINGTON Jan 28: New Zeaand selectors deny they have been panicked into making sweeping changes to their team for the second cricket Test against England after losing the opening game of the series.

reports Reuter. Four players were dropped after the innings and four run defeat at Christchurch and wicketkeeper lan Smith replaced by Adam Parore because

of injury. "I don't regard it as panic." said Chairman of selectors Don Neely. "It could be exciting."

Neely said strong measures were needed if New Zealand were to claw back their one-nil deficit in a three-match series and defend a proud record of not losing a home series since 1979.

Middle order batsmen Mark Greatbatch, Shane Thomson and Chris Harris have been replaced by the previously out-offavour Ken Rutherford and the burly Rod Latham, who

tack has been strengthened by the replacement of Chris Pringle by Willie Watson and given extra variety by the inclusion of left-arm paceman Murphy Su'a to team up with Danny Morrison and Chris The side bowling first may

find more bounce and pace than usual in Auckland's Eden Park pitch which is likely to be green on the first day but play lower and slower as the game progresses. There is a more than

little bit of grass," England coach Micky Stewart said after inspecting the pitch.

Stewart promised England, who delay naming their 12 until Wednesday night, would not play negatively simply to defend their lead

"We approach things in a very boring way, we look to win not only each day, but to win each session, that's all,"

They will almost certainly be able to use their only genLawrence, who was injured for the Christchurch Test but is now recovered. However, there are doubts about his matchfitness after a three week layoff.

Seamer Philip DeFreitas passed a fitness test but Stewart said all-rounder Chris Lewis. also suffering from groin strain, was a doubtful starter.

England have the option of playing all-rounder Ian Botham to cover for Lewis, although they are more likely to stick with Derek Pringle who played his part in the winning side.

TEAMS

NEW ZEALAND (from) Martin Crowe (captain), John Wright, Blair Hartland, Andrew Jones, Ken Rutherford, Dipak Patel, Rod Latham, Adam Parore, Chris Cairns, Murphy Su'a, Danny Morrison, Willie Watson.

ENGLAND (probable) : Graham Gooch (captain), Alec Stewart, Graeme Hick, Robin Smith, Allan Lamb, Dermot Reeve, Jack Russell, Philip DeFreitas, Derek Pringle, uine fast bowler. David Philip Tufnell. David Lawrence. the spokesman said.

Shastri returns home

Hughes

BOMBAY, Jan 28: Indian vice-captain Ravi Shastri, flown home from the cricket tour of Australia with ligament and hamstring injuries, is likely to be fit for next month's World Cup, a Bombay Cricket Association spokesman said today. reports Reuter.

"Shastri's injury is not of a lasting nature and he is expected to be declared fit for the World Cup", the spokesman told Reuter.

The right-hand opener had been one of India's few consistent batsmen on the country's roller-coaster tour of Australia, and with his left-arm spin taking regular wickets his absence would have been a major blow to India's World Cup hopes.

India has delayed announcing the 14-man World Cup squad until early February to make sure Shastri is fit enough

"Flown home from Australia on Monday, Shastri is undergo-

ing intensive physiotherapy,"

Magic Johnson invited to Australia

SYDNEY. Australia Jan 28: Basketball Australia said Tuesday it has invited Magic Johnson to captain a United States all-star team in a pre-Olympic tournament against the country's national team.

reports AP. The invitation is seen as a bid by national officials to distance the sport from remarks made last week by some team members and the team doctor. The doctor questioned whether the team should play against the HIV-positive

Johnson. The remarks provoked outrage in the United States and in Australia.

Basketball Australia chief executive David Woolley said Johnson would be asked to lead a team of players against Australia in Canberra on July 4. shortly before the Olympic team departs for Barcelona.

US Olympic team prevent Johnson from playing in that match, Woolley said Basketball Australia will try to arrange an alternative date for Johnson and his wife to visit.

"I would certainly recommended that our basketballers not compete with a team of which Magic Johnson was a member," said Sando. "That risk — even though it's small —

team if Johnson plays.

you cannot absolutely say it's never going to occur." The Australian Olympic Committee later issued a statement saying there would be no boycott, and other government officials, including

ments. Center Mark Bradtke said there should be compulsory HIV testing for all Olympic athletes. "If it was a choice of playing

for gold or staying off and taking silver, I'd take silver." Sando's comments were

criticized by Dr Ron Penny, one of Australia's leading AIDS researchers. "Instead of preaching sense

of immunology at Sydney's St Vincents Hospital. Penny is head of the largest advanced-HIV care facility in Australia and is a member of several AIDS advisory boards. He said the possibility of

acquiring the HIV virus has "no relevance in the basketball setting."

Handball results

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Rifles, champions ever since the inception of the league way back in 1984, trounced Victoria Sporting Club 61-6 in the one-sided affair of the Cute handball league yesterday at the Outer Stadium.

Rifles led the first half 35-3. Maung Shwe, Shah Alam and Gonzer Ali netted 16, nine and eight goals respectively for the winners while Barua scored three goals and Biplab, Kamal and Nahid one apiece for Victoria.

Earlier in the afternoon, Dhaka Wanderers Club outplayed South Maishuandi Krira Chakra by 16 goals eight. Wanderers led 5-3 at the

breather.

Abul, Ferdous and Abdullah netted four goals each for the winners while Kakku scored four goals and Babul two for **Maishundi**

Police surrender to MSC

Sports Reporter ing out raids near the Mohammedan goalmouth. Roby put the black-and-

Veteran Kismat doubled the margin in the 20th minute by scoring a field goal (2-0).

for the winners in the 50th minute with yet another field goal to seal the fate of the match (3-0).

penalty corners while Ansars managed to force only two. Mitul of Mohammedans was warned with the green card. Mohammedans now have eight points from four outings

while Ansars have none from an identical number of outings. TEAMS

MOHAMMEDANS: Mantu. Roby, Nixon, Jamal, Mitul. Kismat, Zahid, Chapal, Nannu (cap), Shabbir and Rubel (Ilias)

ANSARS: Khaleque, Bakr, Atiar, Shah Alam, Lal Mia, Lebu Molla, Atiqur Rahman, Aslam (Babul). Solaiman and Azhar

Umptres: Islam Kamal and Shamsul Alam. In the other tie of the day Sadharan Bima Krira Sangstha

key were forced to share points with Dhaka Wanderers Club, the match ending in a thrilling 3-3 draw. Wanderers led 2-1 at the breather, quite against the run

despite playing attacking hoc-

The two middleweights of the league produced some entertaining hockey, resorting to attacks and counter-attacks throughout the course of the match.

of play.

Siam put Wanderers ahead in the 12th minute with a field goal (1-0).

Mithu doubled the margin

Duminda Salim Nasu Umpires: Nil Ratan, M Aziz

Extras:

Bowling

Rafiq (Sr)

Rafigul (Jr)

WARI CLUB

Zia not out

Sumon b Saiful

Raju b Duminda

Saad not out

Extras:

Bowling

Sharath

Total:

Satful

Zakir

Lipu

Goala

Rubel

Kamran c Lipu b Rubel

Rafiq (Sr) st Nasu b Gowala

Kajal c Sharath b Duminda

Iftekher lbw b Duminda

Rafiqul c Salim b Nasu

Ripon c Pika b Zakir

Ripon

Total:

Kajal

Sead

in the 20th minute through another fine field goal (2-0). Murad reduced the margin whites ahead in the 12th

for Sadharan Bima in the 31st minute by converting a penalty minute with a field goal scored corner (1-0). in style (1-2). Much to the comfort of the Bima supporters. Nakib restored parity for the former Kismat got his second goal champions in the 60th minute

Wanderers once again moved ahead when Fazlu con-Mohammedans earned six

> and ten penalty corners while Wanderers forced as many as five corners and as many penalty corners. Wanderers invited the green

Bima now have five points

The West Bengal cricket The BCCB executive

and third weeks of February. The Cricket Association of makes his debut at 30.

If commitments with the

Last week, basketball team doctor Brian Sando said Australian players should boycott competing against the US

Foreign Minister Gareth Evans, criticized Sando for his com-

and reason, he's preaching fear and hysteria," said Penny, head