

Donald looks forward to his test

PORT OF SPAIN, Apr 10: The most feared men in cricket are usually mean, dark and moody fast bowlers. Allan Donald is modest, fair and polite, but don't be fooled, writes Reuter.

Billed by many as the speediest bowler in the world, the 25-year-old South African is not the type to encourage hype.

But he intends to show West Indians over the next fortnight that Caribbean players no longer have a monopoly on the art of making opposition batsmen duck and weave.

Donald admits his master plan did not get off to a great start. South Africa were thrashed by 107 runs in the opening one-day international in Jamaica on Tuesday but, for him, the real action starts in next week's Test match in Barbados.

"I'm very sick of one-day cricket at the moment," he acknowledged. "It's very energy-sapping. I'm sick of no-balls and wides, I'm sick of the bouncer rule. It's all so tight.

"What I'm looking forward to is the Test match where I can settle down, relax and bowl a decent spell. Hopefully then I'll be able to show the West Indies what I'm capable of. I don't intend to spend two days in the field."

What Donald, born in Bloemfontein, wants most is to blend subtlety with his undoubted speed.

"I go through spells and periods when I feel I could kill anybody on this earth. The trouble is I end up bowling a shocking spell and wasting balls. People think I'm going to knock their heads off but I believe there are other ways.

"Take Waqar Younis of Pakistan. People think he's going to take their head off because he's so quick but he doesn't need to. He keeps it up there and goes for the stumps."

Both men were named among the top five cricketers of 1991 by Wisden, the authoritative cricket reference annual.



ALAN DONALD...out to prove a point

"I've learnt to bowl the outswinger and that brought me 80 per cent of my 83 first-class wickets for Warwickshire last year," Donald said.

England has become an important part of his life. He married his English wife Tina in September and plans to settle there in due course.

Signing for Warwickshire following a trial in 1987 has also proved a lucky break in cricketing terms, enabling him to develop his talents more fully.

Not everyone has enjoyed it. Experienced fellow South African Jimmy Cook said a spell Donald bowled at him at Edgbaston last year was the quickest he had faced in his long career.

Donald, relieved to be preferred at the end of the 1990 season to Australian batsman Tom Moody as Warwickshire's overseas star, admits he occasionally gets carried away.

"I sometimes go through stages when I feel like bearing someone. I get so frustrated," he said. "I tend to go overboard, bowl badly and regret it.

"On the other hand I've been told off many times by people saying I'm not aggressive enough.

So does he think he is the world's fastest bowler, black or white?

"Many people asked me that in the World Cup and I just said I wasn't there to prove anything because one-day cricket is such a day-to-day thing.

"For me it's quite embarrassing. It's a compliment when people say that I'm one of the quickest in the world but I don't want to go around saying it myself.

"Sometimes I don't know where I get my speed from. I've always been quite athletic and done a lot of stretching but I don't believe in weights. They just slow you down."

West Indian Captain Richie Richardson believes Donald is "genuinely quick" but may have to upgrade his estimation before the Barbados Test starting on April 18.

Donald, personally surprised there were no riots against the tourists in Jamaica, is determined to be at his best on South Africa's momentous Test return after 22 years of exile.

"In the only other five-day game I've played I did crack under pressure, playing for South Africa against the rebel Australians in 1986.

"We spent two days in the field and, in the end, I just couldn't take it.

"I'm a lot more grown up now and this match means so much to South Africa."

NEW YORK, Apr 10: Vice President Dan Quayle has used US military planes to go on golfing trips at a heavy cost to the taxpayer, the New York Times reported Thursday, reports AFP.

The government was paid the equivalent of a commercial airline fare plus one dollar for Quayle's trips, standard practice for such cases involving senior government officials but way below the actual cost of the flights.

Quayle had taken four such trips, either to play golf or for political events with then Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner, the report said.

The report came amid election-year finger-pointing between the White House and Congress over the perquisites and privileges of high office.

The Government Accounting Office (GAO), the Congressional Watchdog Agency, reported that a three-day trip taken in June 1990 by Quayle and Skinner, who is now White House Chief of Staff, cost taxpayers at least 10,989 dollars.

The sponsors of the event, a golf and tennis tournament in Williamsburg, Virginia, listed as a political fund raiser, repaid the Government 2742 dollars, Quayle spokesman David Beckwith was quoted as saying.

He emphasized that Quayle needed to use government planes for security and to have instant and secure communications with the White House.

"What this report shows is that the public trust has been violated and that taxpayer funds have been used to subsidize political and personal needs of these officials," John Corners, a Member of the House of Representatives, was quoted as saying.

A fifth Quayle-Skinner trip created a political uproar when it was disclosed last May at the same time that the White House was attempting to answer questions about personal and military trips on military planes by Skinner's predecessor as Chief of Staff, John Sununu.

Quayle's bogey!

KARACHI, Apr 10: Pakistan's fast bowler, Waqar Younis, will be flown to England soon to receive treatment for his stress fracture, cricket officials here said Thursday, reports AFP.

Shahid Rafi, Secretary, Board of Control of Cricket in Pakistan (BCCP) said "Waqar's inclusion in Pakistan squad for the England tour will be decided after obtaining expert opinion from doctors."

Waqar suffered the fracture during this winter's home series against Sri Lanka. Because of it, he missed the World Cup in Australia.

"You cannot ignore him...because he is such a wonderful bowler and a source of strength for the side," Rafi said.

Right-arm leg spinner Qadir, 36, said Wednesday he was fit and would be available for the forthcoming 117-day tour.

"I am fully fit, satisfied with X-rays and will be glad to join the camp if the cricket authorities asked me," Qadir said Wednesday.

Last autumn he ruptured an Achilles tendon during a charity match between Pakistan and an England XI at Uxbridge in Middlesex, falling to the ground after bowling only one delivery in the match.

"I am doing my exercises, like cycling and walking, and after seeing my doctor again on Thursday a final decision will be taken," he said.

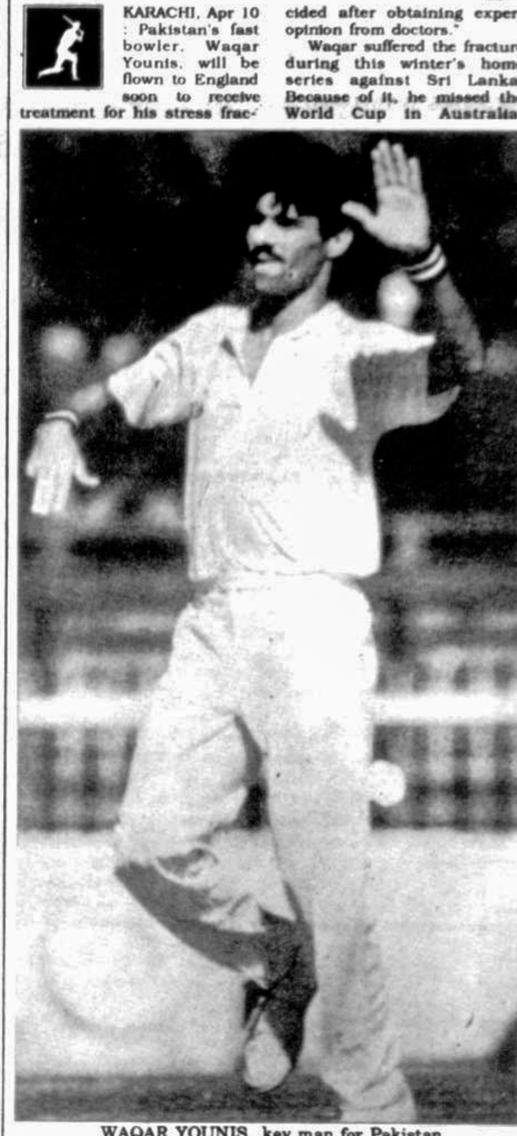
Qadir, the only Pakistan spinner with more than 200 Test wickets to his credit, was on crutches for four months with his leg plastered after an emergency operation at St Thomas's Hospital in London.

If Qadir is declared fit by his doctor and is recalled by the Cricket Board for the England tour, this could only strengthen Pakistan's World Cup winning squad.

Qadir, who made his Test debut in 1977-78 against England at Lahore, has taken 236 wickets in 67 Tests. In 102 one-day internationals, he has a tally of 131 wickets, with best match figures of 5 for 44.

At Faisalabad in 1986, he spun out the West Indies for their lowest ever Test score of 53 runs.

Waqar's selection depends on medical opinion



WAQAR YOUNIS...key man for Pakistan

although he was initially included in the Pakistan squad.

Rafi said the BCCP was making all arrangements for him to fly as soon as possible so that a decision on his inclusion could be taken.

This will be the first Pakistan-England Test clash since the infamous series which included the Mike Gatting-Shakoor Rana incident at Faisalabad in 1987-1988.

Foreman fights Stewart tonight

LAS VEGAS, Apr 10: The year was 1969 and George Foreman was an up-and-coming young heavyweight making his Las Vegas debut with a smashing first-round knockout of journeyman Bob Hazelton.

More than two decades later, Foreman returns to the Las Vegas Hilton for a fight Saturday night against Alex Stewart as his remarkable comeback enters its sixth year.

Driving with Liston from the fight to his Las Vegas home, Foreman said the former champion was somber, depressed. Liston would die a year later of what authorities said was a drug overdose.

"I decided right then that if you were going to be a boxer, you'd have to be in training all the time," Foreman said.

Though the Hilton is sponsoring his scheduled 10-round heavyweight fight against Stewart, Foreman has become such an attraction that the fight will be staged in the UNLV campus arena, where a crowd of some 12,000 is expected.

Now 43, Foreman plays up the jokes about his eating habits and his weight, which is likely to be in the 260-pound (118-kilogram) range for Stewart.

But he claims to continue to train as hard as ever, despite his size and ample mid-section.

"I don't know how to train, but one way — real hard and real serious," Foreman said.

Unlike Liston, Foreman has had a successful run since coming back to boxing after a 10-year absence. Astonishingly, the comeback is now entering its sixth year, although Foreman says it could well be his last.

Unless he gets a chance at

the heavyweight title and wins it later this year, "you won't see me in 1993," Foreman said.

It will be the second fight for the former heavyweight champion since he lost a decision to Evander Holyfield April 19 for the heavyweight title. The fight was the only loss in Foreman's 27 comeback fights.

The loss to Holyfield didn't dim Foreman's star as a box office attraction. Foreman will earn \$5 million for the fight, which will be televised by HBO.

"It is a marketable fight because I am the market," Foreman said. "I'm one of the people, a guy next door. People can identify with me."

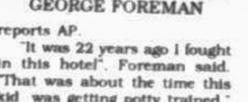
Foreman is a 5-1 favourite to beat Stewart, a once promising heavyweight who fell from contention after being stopped by Holyfield in the eighth round of their November 1989 fight and knocked out by Mike Tyson in the first round of their December 1990 fight. Stewart was also stopped in the fourth round by contender Michael Moore last July.

Stewart, though, is a step up from Foreman's last opponent, portly Jimmy Ellis, who Foreman disposed of in the third round Dec. 7 in Reno.

He's lost three boxing matches and all of a sudden everything can be erased with victory over George Foreman, Foreman said.

"I have to be careful. If this guy gets past me, it's easy street for him."

The 10-round fight will be preceded by a scheduled 12-round fight for the IBF middleweight championship between champion James Toney and Glen Wolfe, the No. 6 contender.



GEORGE FOREMAN

reports AP.

"It was 22 years ago I fought in this hotel," Foreman said. "That was about the time this kid was getting potty trained."

Though the years have passed and Foreman won and lost one heavyweight title and fought for another, he remembers his 11th pro-fight as if it were yesterday.

He also remembers a boxing lesson he vowed never to forget.

Topping the fight card in the showroom of the Las Vegas Hilton the afternoon of Dec. 6, 1969, was Foreman's training partner, former heavyweight champion Sonny Liston, who was trying to make a comeback in nationally televised fight against Leotis Martin.

The aging but still fearsome Liston dominated the bout and appeared on his way to an easy win before suddenly tiring in the eighth round. One round party all the time and some-

million rupees (19.23 million dollars) is needed for its completion.

"Besides indicating financial and other conditions to the sponsors, we have asked them to secure no objections from the respective Boards," Rafi said.

Much would depend on the response of the United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA), he added.

Imran, who has discussed holding fund-raising cultural shows in Pakistan with chief of the fundamentalist Jamaat-e-Islami Qazi Husain Ahmad, was not available for comment.

The BCCP had earlier tried to arrange a short pre-World Cup tour of South Africa, but the UCBSA had decided it did not want to over-expose its players before the competition in Australia.

INDIANAPOLIS, Apr 10: The Indiana Supreme Court will wait at least until next week to decide whether to review lower court rulings denying Mike Tyson bail while he appeals his rape conviction, the court administrator's office said Thursday, reports AP.

"We have been informed today that the court will not make a decision this week," said Sandra Boyd, a staff attorney in the administrator's office.

Tyson's attorneys asked the state's highest court last week to accept an appeal of lower court decisions ordering the former heavyweight champion to remain in prison pending an appeal.

The five justices accepted briefs from Tyson's attorneys and attorneys for the state, but have given no indication whether they will consider Tyson's request for bail.

Tyson was sent to prison March 26 to serve a six-year term for his convictions for rape and criminal deviate conduct. He was found guilty of raping Desiree Washington, a Miss Black America beauty pageant contestant, in his Indianapolis hotel room last July.

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idea and have indicated our conditions, keeping in view the interests of the players and the cause Imran is obsessed with," he said.

Construction has already begun on Imran's ambitious hospital project, which has generated some controversy here, and an estimated 500

Nicklaus hopes to defy tendency to fade

AUGUSTA, Ga., Apr 10: Jack Nicklaus was telling a story about Jack Nicklaus.

"A guy walks in the bar, and he has his dog with him," Nicklaus said in a standard opening.

"He sits down and has a drink and the television comes on and there I am playing golf," Nicklaus said.

"I make a birdie and the dog does a backflip on the bar."

"Then I go to the next tee and hit this super drive and the dog runs up and down the bar barking."

"I make another birdie and the dog does another backflip."

"The bartender comes over and says 'your dog there, must be a big Nicklaus fan, huh?'"

"What does he do when Jack wins a tournament?"

"I don't know," the map says. "I've only had him six years."

And Nicklaus said he will attempt to determine what response the flipping dog would have when he goes after a seventh green jacket in the Masters tournament.

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"I thought about it a lot," he

said. "I was in position and I didn't finish the tournament."

"I decided it was fatigue. Fatigue makes you lose concentration."

So Nicklaus, selected as the Player of the Century, went on a weight-training programme late last year.

"I'm stronger now," he said. But the programme was of no apparent help last week in the Tradition tournament on the seniors tour.

After winning that title two years in a row, Nicklaus lost by a single stroke to Lee Trevino.

"Well," he said, "for two years I won, that tournament and came in here and got in contention and then didn't finish the tournament," he said.

"Maybe this year I can reverse it."

And there's an added incentive this year.

He wants to find out about that flipping dog.



JACK NICKLAUS

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Today's Cryptoquip clue: Y equals I

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.