

# Phillip DeFreitas devastates Essex

LONDON, Apr 22: England paceman Phillip DeFreitas produced a devastating new ball spell of five for 16 as Lancashire routed Essex for 61 — their lowest total in one-day county cricket, reports Reuter.

DeFreitas wreaked havoc on the opening day of the Benson and Hedges Cup at Chelmsford where his best bowling performance in the 55 overs competition thrust Lancashire to overwhelming eight-wicket victory.

Essex, whose previous worst limited overs total was 69 against Derbyshire in the Sunday league 18 years ago, were dismissed in only 25.3 overs.

DeFreitas collected the man-of-the-match award and then dismissed suggestions the pitch was entirely to blame for Essex's humiliation.

"The ball did seem a bit but it was a question of putting it

in the right place," he said. "All the bowlers managed to do that. It's as simple as that and naturally we are all delighted."

DeFreitas removed England and Essex captain Graham Gooch (0) and Australian Test



PHILIP DEFREITAS batsman Mark Waugh (0) with the fourth and sixth deliveries

of his opening over. He followed that double strike by removing John Stephenson, Paul Prichard and Derek Pringle and wrapped up the innings by brilliantly running out Peter Such with a di-

Zealand international Danny Morrison provided pace bowling support with two wickets each.

Lancashire, Cup winners in 1990, coasted to victory at 65 for two in 28.5 overs. Gooch went back for a session in the nets after his side were routed.

Gooch said: "I'm not happy with our performance, but I'm not going to make a drama out of it. We've been bowled out for low scores before and come back."

It was one-way traffic too at Cheltenham where half-centuries by Leicestershire openers Tim Boon and Nigel Briars overhauled Gloucestershire's paltry 110.

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# S Africans scent victory

BRIDGETOWN, Apr 22: Back in international cricket less than a year, South Africa is within sight of victory in its first ever Test against the West Indies. The contest resumes

Wednesday, reports AP. After gaining a first innings lead of 83 on the third day of play Monday, South Africa reduced the West Indies to 184 for seven wickets in its second innings by close. It gives the home team a shaky lead of 101 with Test new comer Jimmy Adams, the only specialist batsman remaining.

A win would be another great triumph for South Africa, isolated from international cricket in 1970 as well as most other sports for its government's apartheid policies. It reached the semifinals of the World Cup tournament in Australia and New Zealand last month.

Coach Mike Procter, who played in South Africa's 1st Test against Australia at Port Elizabeth in 1970, Tuesday praised his players' "wonderful team effort."

"They're new to Test cricket and have not had much preparation for this match, but they stuck to their guns right through," he said. "They deserve the position they have fought for."

But Procter warned against overconfidence.

"We're confident of victory but we can't go in thinking we've won already," he said. "We still have to work to make sure that we do win."

West Indies captain Richie

Richardson conceded his team would be hard-pressed to maintain its unbeaten record of 25 consecutive Tests at Kensington Oval.

They were only beaten once in 27 matches on the ground by England in 1988, and have won the last 10 in succession.

But he maintained the match was not over.

"If we can get at least another 50 runs for out last three wickets we can still get back into it," he said.

South Africa owes its position to Natal opener Andrew Hudson who batted eight hours 20 minutes for his 163 that held together the South African innings of 345 and to fast bowlers Allan Donald and Richard Snell.

Donald, spearhead of the attack, bowled at his fastest for the tour Monday to finish with three for 50, while Snell followed up his first innings four for 83 with three for 53 — including the West Indies' two most experienced batsmen, opener Desmond Haynes and captain Richie Richardson for the second time in the match.

Scores:

West Indies 262 (Keith Arthurton 59, Desmond Haynes 58, Richards Snell four for 83) and 184 for seven (Brian Lara 64 Allan Donald three for 50, Richard Snell three for 53.)

## Bout cancelled

PARIS, Apr 22: The World Boxing Council light-heavyweight championship fight between Australia's Jeff Harding and France's Christophe Tiozzo has been cancelled, a French paper reported Tuesday, reports AP.

L'Equipe, a national sports daily, said the bout was postponed for two weeks, then cancelled by Tiozzo's manager, Jean-Christophe Correges.

The match initially was set for Friday in Marseille, but was postponed because Tiozzo has been suffering from a stomach ailment that disrupted his training.

L'Equipe said the bout then was cancelled because Correges felt Tiozzo would not be ready in two weeks.

"Tiozzo is sick. He still has a fever," Correges told L'Equipe.

"If all goes well, I hope the fight against Harding could be fought in June."

# Hudson establishes himself

BRIDGETOWN, Apr 22: Less than three months ago, the only current South African opener most of the cricket world had heard of was Jimmy Cook.

When the prolific Cook was not selected for the World Cup or South Africa's first-ever tour to West Indies, there was an outcry from Taunton to Trinidad. The name of Andrew Hudson never rated a mention, reports Reuter.

In the space of three days in Barbados, however, Hudson has blown a huge hole in an awful lot of arguments.

By scoring 163 against the West Indian pace attack, the 26-year-old from Natal put his side on the verge of an historic victory and placed himself among some of the most famous players the game has known.

His century was the first by

a South African on his Test debut and the size of the score put him above W G Grace, Peter May and Greg Chappell, among others on that exclusive list.



ANDREW HUDSON

Yet, as late as last November, the Zululand-born Hudson was in the depths of despair after being dismissed

for nought on his international one-day debut in India.

"I was flying around thinking I was a wonderful Springbok and to get a duck in my first one-day international was quite a large pill to swallow," Hudson recalled.

"But it was good for me. It brought me down to earth. I thought: Well, everyone gets a duck. Bradman got a duck in his last appearance, I've just got one in my first."

Averaging 37 in South Africa's successful World Cup campaign altered his perspective.

After I scored 28 against Australia in our opening match, I just realised I could play. I wasn't out of my depth, I could handle that sort of level.

"I never used to really, think I could do it. I was always a little bit of a defeatist."

In 1988, Hudson was playing northern league cricket in England and watching West Indies on the television, little dreaming he would ever play a Test against them himself.

Former Australian captain Kim Hughes, involved with Natal in the late 1980s was one of those who helped Hudson believe more in his own ability but, as South African coach Mike Procter said on Monday, until Barbados there had been doubts about his ability to play long innings.

"I've always done the hard work, made a stylish 50 or 60, then got out."

"It was satisfying to go through that. Getting dropped behind on 66 made me think it was my day. I thought I was gone. I was surprised at (David) Williams. He must have been asleep."

"Battling a long time you get into a groove, you don't really have to think about it. It's a lovely feeling."

"I wasn't aware at the time how significant I was but slowly it's dawning on me. Speaking to guys like Tiger Lance, Mike Procter and Jackie McGlew last night, I can't believe that I've got a Test hundred because we've been out of Test cricket so long. It almost seems unreal."

The eight-hour 40-minute epic against West Indies was only his fifth first-class hundred and Hudson, who has just completed a degree in marketing and industrial psychology, believes he may not have a very long Test career.

"I always see cricket is leading on to something else. It's not a permanent career," he said.

## MOODY IN THE MOOD

Australian Tom Moody and pace bowler Phil Newport spurred Cup Holders Worcestershire to a convincing 68-run win over Derbyshire at Worcester.

World Cup batsman Moody hammered an unbeaten 70 from 74 deliveries, plundering 64 off the last seven overs with Stuart Lampitt (23 not out) as the home country made 232 for five.

Derbyshire were shackled by England left-arm spinner Richard Illingworth — two for 23 in 11 overs — and subsided to 164 all out as Newport captured five for 31.

Former Kent captain Chris Cowdrey spoilt the party for man-of-the-match Ian Botham and his Durham newcomers, who lost their first Benson and Hedges match by four wickets, against Glamorgan at Durham.

Botham had earlier rescued Durham from 18 for three with a fighting 86, containing nine fours and a six, in their 196 for nine and then took two quick wickets as Glamorgan slumped to eight for three.

His victims included his friend and rival Viv Richards, the former West Indies captain, falling to a brilliant one-handed return catch for one, as Botham took two for nine in an eight-over opening spell.

Cambridge captain John Crawley plans to report England batsman Mark Ramprakash for allegedly using abusive language in the university's three-day friendly match against Middlesex.

Crawley accused Ramprakash of directing a volley of abuse at novice batsman Marcus Wight during Monday's play.

"I used to admire him. I have never seen anything like it before on the cricket field — there was no excuse for the language directed at Marcus," said Crawley.

Match umpires Bob White and Paul Adams indicated they would be commenting on Ramprakash's behaviour in their official match report.

**CLOSE CONTEST**

It was a close thing at Edgbaston, where Warwickshire were all out for 185 in the last over and lost by three runs to Yorkshire, for whom Paul Jarvis took four for 34 and wicket-keeper Richard Blakey held five catches.

Sussex also scraped home against Surrey at Hove, where Darren Bicknell's 71 out of 238 for eight was in vain as Surrey fell by eight runs.

Meanwhile, career-best performance by Martin McGuire (5-43), Mark Ealham (4-29) and Matthew Fleming (69) helped Kent beat Somerset by 37 runs at Canterbury.

Bruce Patterson's 96 at Forfar was also a competition highest by a Scotland batsman, but not enough to prevent a 45-run defeat by Northamptonshire, for whom Alan Fordham made 103.

## Title retained

INGLEWOOD, Calif, Apr 22: Cecilio Espino retained his North American Boxing Federation bantamweight title with a fifth-round technical knockout of Antonio Ramirez on Tuesday night, reports AP.

Ramirez, who was floored and hurt several times in the fifth, retired in his corner after the round.

Espino, at 117 1/4 pounds (51 3/4 kilograms), improved to 22-2 with 19 knockouts. Ramirez, at 118 (53 1/2), fell to 12-3-1 with eight knockouts. Both fighters are from Los Angeles.

In the co-main event, Ysaias Zamudio of Blythe, Calif, defended his NABF flyweight title, winning technical decision over challenger Richard Clarke of Miami in the eighth round.

Zamudio was cut under the right eye by a head butt. Under NABF rules, Zamudio was awarded the fight based on the three judges' scorecards.

# Adams revives Windies hopes

BRIDGETOWN, Apr 22: South Africa need to 201 to win their first Test in 21 years after bowling the West Indies out for 283 in their second innings after lunch on the fourth day here Wednesday, AFP reported late last night.

Jimmy Adams, a 24-year-old left-hander from Jamaica making his Test debut, was unbeaten on 79. He shared in a last wicket stand of 62 with Patrick Patterson who was bowled by Tertius Bosch for 11.

West Indies made 262 in their first innings to South Africa's 345 and resumed today on 184 for seven.

## MSC-People's TT

Sports Reporter The Mohammedan-People's Insurance schools badminton tournament will be held in the city next month.

The tournament, organised by the Dhaka Mohammedan Sporting Club, will be sponsored by the People's Insurance Company Limited.

School teams from all over the country will be eligible to participate in the competition, expected to begin in the 3rd week of May.

In a press release, the organisers requested the interested teams to send their entries by May 10 to the Mohammedan Sporting Club.

## OCA recognizes 5 CIS republics

HIROSHIMA, Apr 22: The Olympic Council of Asia granted provisional recognition to five former Soviet republics on Wednesday, keeping in step with the International Olympic Committee (IOC), reports Reuter.

The council's general assembly accepted the National Olympic Committees of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan on the same basis as the IOC, which recognised 10 newly-independent states on March 9.

The IOC will offer full recognition when the republics' organisation and structures are up to IOC standards.

The Council also gave its president Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah of Kuwait authority to discuss with the republics the size and form of their teams for the 1994 Asian Games in Hiroshima.

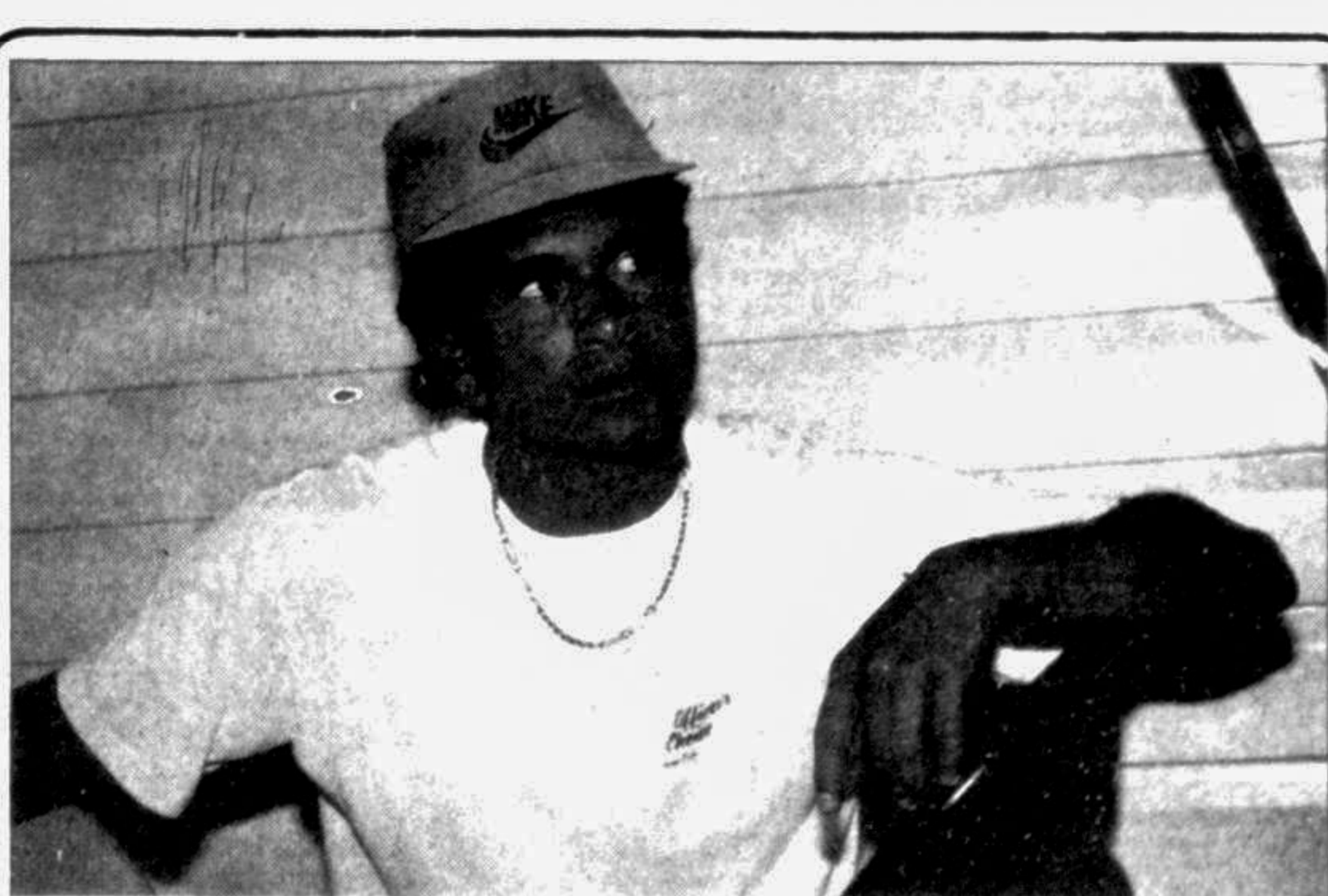
Hiroshima officials told the Council they were happy to accept the new members but could not go beyond the agreed limit of 7,300 athletes and officials.

In addition to coping with athletes from the republics, the Hiroshima organisers face a crisis regarding the number of sports.

The Organising Committee proposed 25 Olympic sports plus golf, bowling, soft tennis, wushu and karate.

However, with national pride at stake in the medals race, there were calls from delegates for the addition of taekwondo, sepak takraw, kabaddi, body-building and squash.

Reeling under an avalanche of arguments about the merits of the respective sports, the assembly authorised Sheikh Ahmad to finalise the programme in consultation with the Japanese Olympic Committee and the Hiroshima organisers.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Star file photo of India's teenaged tyro Sachin Tendulkar who turns 19 today. Considered by many as a most sensational batting prodigy, Tendulkar has recently joined Yorkshire as their first-ever overseas player, thus ending a tradition which was a long-cherished pride of the famous English county.

# A dinner with a difference

JOHANNESBURG Apr 22: A dinner date with Nelson Mandela is causing more excitement for many black African athletes than the historic Unity Games, reports Reuter.

Many of the 60-strong contingent could hardly contain their excitement on Tuesday at the prospect of meeting the anti-apartheid leader at a dinner on Wednesday.

Some even said the engagement was their main reason for making their first ever trip to South Africa.

"I'm overwhelmed, flabbergasted," said Sierra Leone sprinter Sanusi Turya, shrugging and shaking his head.

Kenyan 3,000 metre steeplechaser William Mutwol said he had long dreamed of meeting the African National Congress president, freed in 1990 from 27 years in prison for trying to overthrow white rule.

"A long time ago I dreamt about this. And now it is happening at our Unity Games, which will unite Africa," said Mutwol.

"I'm so happy. In fact it's more the reason why I am here (than the games)," said Nigerian 400 metres star Fatima Yusuf, beaming when told she would meet

Mandela. London-based Turay said: "I never, ever thought I would meet Mandela in my life. I just want to say thank you to him, because he's been the backbone of this whole change in South Africa."

The second leg of the Games, scheduled to help pave the way for South Africa to re-



NELSON MANDELA

turn to international athletics, will be held here on Friday and Saturday.

The first leg was in Dakar, Senegal last Saturday.

The African athletes said they saw the Unity Games as a move towards wider reconcili-

ation between the former Pariah state and the rest of the continent.

"Before, South Africa was cut off from the rest of the world. The Games will help to unite African countries," said Samuel Matete, Zambia's 400 metres hurdles world champion. "So far everyone likes it here. We are happy to be here."

Nigerian sprinter Mary Onyiah said: "I think the main reason we are here is to run as one family, as one continent, something we were meant to do but have been deprived of."

Reformist white President F W de Klerk said the Unity Games were "a wonderful breakthrough" after meeting International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) president Primo Nebiolo in Cape Town on Tuesday.

Nebiolo, referring to South Africa's expected readmission at an IAAF council meeting in May, said: "We are an elephant. It is not easy to move. But when we do it is not easy to stop."

"So when we decide to admit we will do so even if some members disagree. If there are such members, we will listen and try to persuade them," he said.

The IAAF suspended South Africa's membership in 1976 in protest against its race policies.

# Thorne returns with a bang

SHEFFIELD, England, Apr 22: Fallen English snooker star Willie Thorne enjoyed a welcome change of fortunes here on Tuesday night when he defeated world number five Gary Wilkinson 10-8 in the first round of the World Championship-ship, reports AFP.

Thorne, cheered on by a 10 million-pound football fan club comprising England striker Gary Lineker and Sheffield Wednesday stars David Hirst and Nigel Jemson, was so hard up after losing at the same stage of last year's tournament that he tried to sell his life story.

"If I'd borrowed a million from Gary, it wouldn't have made a dent in my debt," said the 38-year-old, who is now

guaranteed 12,000 pounds. "I'd done my house in, I'd done my marriage in and the tax man was after me. I know my problems are self-inflicted, but the last two years have been purgatory, so it's nice to be enjoying my snooker again."

Asked whether he ever thought of quitting professional snooker, the bookmakers' best friend added: "I didn't have too many options. I couldn't go back on the race-course and be a tic-tac man because I've been warned off."

Thorne's only disappointment was not to go out in a blaze of glory. He made a break of 106 in the final frame only to go in-off after potting the black with a possible 140 points on the table.

Later Neal Foulds, the world number six, completed a 10-8 victory over fellow Englishman

Jason Ferguson. First round results: Willie Thorne (England) bt Gary Wilkinson (England) 10-6.

Frame scores: 8-76, 33-84, 77-14, 25-67, 120-0, 53-61, 67-49, 84-17, 80-3, 93-4, 8-73, 68-7, 68-48, 62-68, 83-38, 106-7.

## Discussion meet on Shahjahan

Sports Reporter

A discussion meeting in memory of late Mohammad Shahjahan, the famous sports personality who was also a former president of the Gulshan Club Ltd, will be held tomorrow at the club premises at 6.30 pm.

# Better late than never

NORTH ADAMS, Apr 22: A female boxer who won a sex discrimination case against two boxing federations can't take advantage of the ruling. She's now too old to compete, reports AP.

"It won't help me," Gail Grandchamp said Tuesday. She is 36, a year older than the maximum age allowed for amateur fighters.

But she said she was happy with the outcome anyway. "Finally, the doors will be open for women," she said.

"I never thought it would take almost a decade to get a court decision," she said. "I was discouraged at times. But I stuck it out for the other women. And while we still have a lot of preaching to do to the public and a long way to go, we now have that piece of paper."

William H. Welch, Berkshire County Superior Court Judge, ruled in favour of Grandchamp last week. His decision came eight years after she first sought an amateur license.

In his ruling, the judge said, "It seems clear and I so find that (Grandchamp) was denied registration by the New England Federation and USA because she was a woman."

Officials of United States Amateur Boxing (formerly the USA Amateur Boxing Federation) and the New England Amateur Athletic Union Boxing Federation did not respond to requests for comment.

Welch also rejected arguments by an attorney for the two boxing federations that a state law prohibiting discrimination at a public place like a boxing arena applied to spectators, not participants.

After repeated inquiries, Grandchamp said that she was told her November 1984 application to the New England Federation for an amateur boxing license was denied. She said officials told her that female boxers were prohibited from competition in any event sanctioned by the USA Amateur Boxing Federation.

She filed suit on Oct. 21, 1985, after she had been scheduled to take part in an amateur boxing show at North Adams State College, but was barred when the state Boxing Commission restricted it to students.

Grandchamp, who obtained a professional license in December 1986 and won her only pro bout in 1987, said she had wanted to box as an amateur "because it is safer."

She also said that since women are barred from the training afforded men before they move on to the pro level.

## CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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