

BFF outplay NSC in festival tie

Sports Reporter While people in many parts of the city smarted in the oppressive heat...

The fare, arranged as part of an Eid reunion, saw the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) President's XI prevail 3-0 over the National Sports Council (NSC) Chairman's XI.

Star strikers of yore Salauddin and Enayet attempted to add to the charm of the evening by attending as spectators.

Joyner-Kersee to try for all four

LOS ANGELES, June 15: World heptathlon record-holder Jackie Joyner-Kersee is considering competing in four events in the US Olympic trials...

Harris accepts ban

NEW ORLEANS, June 15: American hurdler Danny Harris has accepted a four-year suspension after testing positive for cocaine.

Ioka retains WBA crown

OSAKA, Japan, June 15: Japan's Hiroki Ioka scored an unanimous decision over South Korean challenger Kim Bong-jun Monday night...

Bangladesh play HK today

Bangladesh, the holders of the South Asian cricket trophy, begin their campaign in the third version of the meet against Hong Kong in Singapore today.

The 16-member Bangladesh team led by Minhazul Abedin Nannu left Dhaka on June 11.

Akram carves another Pak win

NORTHAMPTON, June 15: Pakistan moved into gear for Thursday's second Test against England with a comfortable seven-wicket victory over Northamptonshire on Monday, reports AFP.

The tourists reached their modest 2nd innings target of 120 in the seventh over after lunch to claim a 2,000-pound sponsors' prize.

With Akram set to return, Pakistan have to resolve whether to play Asif Mujtaba or Shoaib Mohammad at no 3 against England.

out in their second innings, leaving the touring team 120 to win in today's final day. But just when it looked as though the county would crash to a humiliating defeat...



AKRAM...10 for 117

Nottinghamshire earlier this week, dismissed five Northamptonshire batsmen on Saturday and collected another five victims on Sunday, including England's Allan Lamb.

SCOREBOARD Table with columns for batsmen and bowlers, including Wasim Akram's performance.

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Table with columns for batsmen and bowlers, including Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis, and Ataur Rehman.

Table with columns for batsmen and bowlers, including Rameez Raja, Asif Mujtaba, and Shoaib Mohammad.



Katrin Krabbe(R), the German double world sprint champion waiting anxiously for the Barcelona Olympics...

Spain shuts the door on Yugoslavia

LAUSANNE, June 15: The International Olympic Committee seems to be losing the fight to keep Yugoslavia in and politics out of the Summer Games at Barcelona, reports AP.



SAMARANCH...setback

IOC President Juan Antonio Samaranch said Sunday he was pessimistic about Yugoslav athletes' chances of participating because host Spain says it will apply UN sanctions and bar them from the country.

IOC leaders are scheduled to hold new talks with Yugoslav Olympic officials July 8 at the committee's Lausanne headquarters.

Salisbury stakes Test claim

LONDON, June 15: Spinner Ian Salisbury warmed up for a possible England Test call on Thursday by taking five wickets for 30 runs as unbeaten Sussex continued their good run in the Sunday league cricket race, reports Reuter.

The Scottish seamer dismissed the star trio of Robin Smith, David Gower and Malcolm Marshall while conceding only 21 runs in eight overs as Hampshire fell to 186 all out in response to Warwickshire's 226 for six.

Gloucestershire seamer Andy Babington will be reported to Lord's for apparently deliberately throwing the ball at Kent leading scorer Matthew Fleming after removing him for 40, caught and bowled.

Salisbury underlined his claim to play in the second Test against Pakistan as Sussex beat Leicestershire by 69 runs for their sixth win of the season.

Babington's side went on to lose by 15 runs as they got their sums wrong to finish well behind the run rate chasing a target of just 172 to win.

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In-form Alan Wells led the Sussex assault with 62 to take his overall league tally to 3,000 runs and West Indian pacerman Fanklyn Stephenson chipped in with an unbeaten 55 in their 235 for six.

Philip De Freitas warned up for the next Test as he punished Glamorgan's attack for the second day running to take Lancashire to their first win in any competition in the last four weeks.

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With Salisbury wrecking havoc, Leicestershire mustered just 166 for nine in reply.

England skipper Graham Gooch was dismissed for a duck without a run on the board but his team, leaders Essex, still won for the seventh time.

Paul Prichard struck a sizzling 83 as Essex reached 220 for eight from their 40 overs against Durham.

Australian Dean Jones made his second Sunday league century in reply with seven fours and two sixes but was removed on 100 with four balls left as his side finished 15 adrift.

Student physical education teacher Dougie Brown, playing in only in third Sunday league game, set up Warwickshire for a comfortable 40-run victory over Hampshire at Edgbaston.

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Russians increase lead

MANILA, June 15: The Russian team beat Uzbekistan by a comfortable 3-1 Sunday to take a two-point lead at 19 points after six rounds of the 30th Chess Olympiad held here in Manila.



Players of the BFF President's XI and NSC Chairman's XI who took part in a festival football match at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday evening.

Below Russia, the Netherlands and the United States remain in second position with 17 points after winning their respective sixth round encounters over Ukraine and Iceland.

England again suffered against Hungary. Both teams tied 1.5-1.5 after six hours of play with an adjourned game between Nigel Short and Lajos Portisch.

Vietnam shock Canada

MANILA, June 15: Lowly Vietnam struck one for the have-nots by dumping Canada 2.5 points against 1.5 late Sunday in the sixth round of the 30th Chess Olympiad, reports AFP.

The Vietnamese banked on the form of their lower boards, A Nguyen defeating Lawrence Day, Canada's sixth ranked player, and D Phan beating the veteran Leon Pineski while Tom O'Donnell salvaged a draw with S Cao.

Top board Kevin Spraggett paraded Canada's blues by gaining the full point against Van Huyah Ho.

The win upped Vietnam's tally to 13 points in a tie for 36th to 47th places which also includes Indonesia and Philippines.

China offers big bonuses for Olympic medals

BEIJING, June 15: China will increase cash bonuses and prizes for Chinese athletes who win Olympic gold medals at the Summer Games in Barcelona, a sports official said Monday, reports AP.

China plans to send 251 athletes to the Barcelona Games to compete in 20 sports, said Wu Shaoyu, head of the Chinese Olympic delegation and chief of the sports commission.

The delegation includes women's springboard diving specialist Gao Min, gold medalist at the 1988 Summer Games, and world champion women's platform diver Fu Mingda.

China has the best chance of winning medals include diving, gymnastics, table tennis and badminton.

STANDINGS Table showing chess tournament results for Russia, Netherlands, US, Armenia, Georgia, etc.