

Rais, Moni to attend ICC meet

Sports Reporter
Bangladesh Cricket Control Board officials - vice president Raisuddin Ahmed and general secretary Aminul Haq Moni - will represent Bangladesh at the meeting of the ICC Associate Members' committee to be held in London on July 6 and 7.

BSJA condemns

The Bangladesh Sports Journalists' Association (BSJA) Monday condemned the assault on sports reporter of Dainik Janata by a supporter of the Dhaka Mohammedan SC last week, reports UNB.

Chess secy lauds players

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K M Shakoov, the general secretary of the Bangladesh Chess Federation, singled out money as the main catalytic factor of the country's chess future.



RUKHSANA...silver

cluded 30th Olympiad in the Philippines capital Manila, lauded the performance of the Bangladesh players. He was particularly appreciative of the performance of the girls who won two medals - Shabana Parveen Nipa winning a bronze and Rukhsana Gulshan Nikkon



NIPA...bronze

Niaz Murshed, the country's only Grandmaster who did not go with the team to Manila, was also present and called for the adoption of more professional attitude to curb the hassles regarding foreign trips and the grooming of the chess talents.

Mikhail Tal dies

MOSCOW, June 29: Former world chess champion Mikhail Tal, one of the most exciting and popular players in the history of the game, died in Moscow on Sunday after a long illness, itar-Tass news agency said, reports Reuter.

25 coaches for FIFA-Coca Cola soccer course

Sports Reporter
The six-day FIFA-Coca Cola world football development programme seminar under the joint auspices of FIFA and the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) will begin on July 6 at the National Sports Council.

DeFreitas out

LONDON, June 29: Pace bowler Philip DeFreitas is out of England's cricket squad for the third Test against Pakistan starting Thursday at Old Trafford, reports AP.



PHILIP DEFREITAS

DeFreitas struggled through seven overs for Lancashire's second XI at Northampton in a county match Monday but never reached full pace.

Innings victory for Pakistan

SOUTHAMPTON, June 29: Wasim Akram took four wickets for 38 to clean up the tail order as Pakistan defeated English county Hampshire by an innings and 14 runs Monday, reports AP.

Nicholas, on 18 at the time, pushed forward to leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed and substitute fielder Rashid Latif claimed a spectacular diving catch at short leg.



MARK NICHOLAS

Nicholas continued to re-monstrate with both umpires as he walked off, and, after a conversation involving all three men, the batsman turned back to resume his innings.

SCOREBOARD
Scoreboard on the final day of the three-day cricket match between Hampshire and Pakistan Monday:
PAKISTAN: First innings - 406 for one declared (Asif Mujtaba 154 not out, Javed Miandad 142 retired hurt, Salm Malik 50 not out).

HAMPSHIRE: First innings (overnight 19 for no wicket)
K. James c sub b Mushtaq 26
T. Middleton c sub b Mushtaq 8
D. Gower c Inzamam b Aaqib 55
M. Nicholas c sub b Mushtaq 30
J. Wood c Inzamam b Aaqib 6
R. Smith lbw b Mushtaq 4
R. Parks c Moin b Aaqib 0
R. Maru b Mushtaq 10
S. Udal not out 7
K. Shine c Moin b Akram 0
P. J. Bakker b Akram 0
Extras: (lb-3, nb-10) 13
Total 162

HAMPSHIRE: Second innings (overnight 104 for two)
K James c Inzamam b Waqar 69
T Middleton c sub b Mujtaba 23
D Gower c sub b Mushtaq 15
R Smith c Moin b Akram 33
M Nicholas c Moin b Mushtaq 1
J Wood c sub b Waqar 11
R Parks c Moin b Waqar 13
S Udal not out 31
R Maru c Mushtaq b Akram 11
K Shine b Akram 0
P J Bakker b Akram 6
Extras (b-1, lb-3, nb-13) 17
Total 230

Maradona's 'no' to Napoli

MILAN, June 29: On the eve of the expiration of his 15-month international suspension, Diego Maradona was quoted as saying he's ready to quit soccer for good if his Naples team tries to force him back to Italy, reports AP.

One of the most talented and popular players in the world, Maradona is known to be sought by Spanish and French clubs.

Napoli, in an official communique, stressed that "Maradona is owned by Napoli and, if fit, must rejoin the team."

Div. II basketball

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Rising Force Club went down 50-51 to Flame Boys' Club in a nerve-racking Second Division basketball league match yesterday at the Outer Stadium wooden-floor gymnasium.



DIEGO MARADONA

Maradona's contract with the Italian club expires in 1993 but his manager, Marcos Franchi, is known to be negotiating with Napoli president Corrado Ferlaino the rescission of the contract.

My return to soccer depends on Napoli officials. If they want to force me back I will put everything in the hands of the lawyers and I'll give up soccer for good," the player added.

While denying economic and health problems, Maradona said his career with the national team was definitely over.

BOA meeting

Sports Reporter
The first meeting of the executive members of the Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA) will be held tomorrow, Wednesday, at 4 pm at the National Sports Council conference room with new BOA chief Gias Kamal Chowdhury in the chair.

Swimming mark

LANDSKRONA, Sweden, June 29: Sweden's Jan Karlsson set a men's 50-metre butterfly world best time of 24.33 seconds in the Swedish Olympic swimming trials on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Richards is Glamorgan's hero

LONDON, June 29: England pacesetter Phil DeFreitas, struggling to prove his fitness ahead of next week's third Test against Pakistan, returned to bowling for the first time in over a week on Sunday, but with scant success, reports Reuter.

Chuchart's dream start in Asian snooker

Thailand's defending champion Chuchart Traitanapradit Sunday made a dream start to his campaign for back-to-back Asian Championships titles when he whipped his rival 4-0 at the Bangkok Palace Hotel, according to a message received in Dhaka yesterday.

Seles breezes into quarters

WIMBLEDON, June 29: Top-seeded Monica Seles breezed into the Wimbledon quarterfinals Monday with a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Gigi Fernandez, reports AP.

Wimbledon since 1982. Steffi Graf, who needed three tough sets to overcome Mariann de Swardt on Saturday, was to meet Patty Fendick. Fendick ousted 11th seed Jana Novotna 6-3, 6-3 on Saturday.

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MONICA SELES

Third seed Gabriela Sabatini had a match set against Kristin Godridge, fourth seed Martina Navratilova was to face Yuyuk Nasuki of Indonesia and sixth seed Jennifer Capriati was scheduled to play Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan.

Udinese sign Redondo

UDINE, Italy, June 29: Newly-promoted Udinese announced Monday it has signed Argentine midfielder Fernando Redondo, reports AP.

The three-year contract will be enforced from the next season if Tenerife, Redondo's current team, okays the transfer, Italian team officials reported.

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Volleyball leagues

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The First and Second Division volleyball leagues under the auspices of the Bangladesh Volleyball Federation (BVF) will get under way in the second week of November next.

This was decided in a meeting of the executive members of the BVF and club-officials held on Sunday night.

BTF yet to get invitation

Sports Reporter
Bangladesh's participation in the 11th Asian Cup table tennis championships, to be held from November 9 to 16 in the Indian capital New Delhi, is uncertain according to the General Secretary of the Bangladesh Table Tennis Federation (BTF) Qazi Mainuzzaman Pila.

Evert feels a twinge of nostalgia

LONDON, June 29: Chris Evert feels an occasional twinge of nostalgia but she does not envy the new breed of women tennis players, reports Reuter.

The nature of women's tennis exploded as an issue here this week when young Dutch seed Richard Krajicek said 80 per cent of the top 100 women players were "fat pigs" who did not deserve equal prize money because they only played three sets.

from them or their parents," she said.

She is still in love with the game but more money and greater pressure at the top have changed the world she knew at her peak in the 1970s and 80s.

Chris Evert
That's pretty inexcusable, pretty tacky really," was Evert's controlled reaction.

top women deserve to get equal pay.

Between 1972 and 1989, Evert was never ranked lower than fourth in the world and earned nearly nine million dollars in career prize money.

In those days, my mother would travel with me, we'd practice with the other girls, play our matches and go out to dinner with the other girls. It was more sociable, more relaxed.