From Our Correspondent MYMENSINGH, Nov 9: A brilliant hattrick by Akhter Hossatn helped Netrakona DSA to move into the semifinals of the 17th national football championship for the Sher-e-Bangla Cup when they beat Chandpur DSA by three goals to two here at the Mymensingh Stadium this af-

The match, a keenly contested one, saw Netrakona leading by a solitary goal at the breather.

Golam Ghaus, who plays for Dhaka First Division league champions Abahani Krira Chakra, was the man behind all the three goals for Netrakona. It was in fact the good combination between the striker and winger - Akhter and Ghaus respectively which earned a thrilling a victory for Netrakona.

Akhter put Netrakona in the lead in the 23rd minute with a nice placing shot from inside the Chandpur box after Ghaus had done the spadework (1-0).

Selim deprived Netrakona of a chance to increase the margin in the 33rd minute. Another Ghaus-Akhter

ond goal for Netrakona in the 47th minute of play (2-0). But within two minutes of this goal Jahangir Gazi draw

combination earned the sec-

level for Chandpur in a dramatic turnaround Jahangir reduced the margin in the 48th minute when a

Mustafa Babu shot came his way after slipping through Netrakona goalkeeper Tayeb's grip to be placed into the open net (2-1). And a just minute after this

Jahangir restored parity for Chandpur with a goal almost from the corner line (2-2). But Akhter then completed

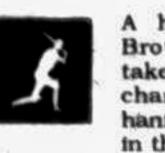
his hattrick to confirm the semifinal berth for Netrakona in the 70th minute (3-2). Satful Islam of Chandpur

spotled an easy chance towards the end of the match when he missed the target from close with the Netrakona custodian at his mercy. Netrakona will play the winners of the quarter final

encounter between defending champions Bangladesh Army and fancied Khulna DSA on Nov 11 in the first semifinal on November 13.
The 16th national soccer

runners-up Dhaka University will take on Jessore DSA in tomorrow's quarterfinal at 2:30

Brothers face Abahani in today's Damal final



A highly tuned Brothers Union take on reigning champions Abahani Krira Chakra in the final of the 4th Damal Summer Cricket tournament at the Dhaka

Stadium today. The first-ever Damal final between these two teams starts from 9-15 am.

Five-time champions Abahani entered the final beat ing their arch-rivals Dhaka Mohammedan Sporting Club by four wickets while Brothers Union, still in search of their first title, brushed aside the Greater Mymensingh Cricket Club (GMCC) by eight wickets in the semi-finals.

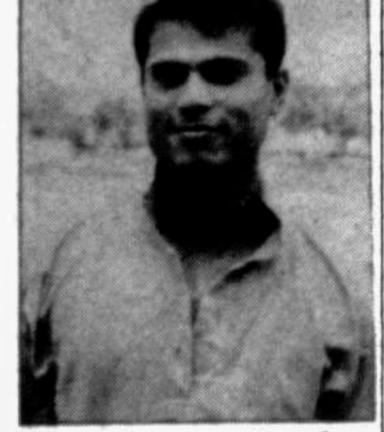
This year's Damal final has a touch of novelty as the grand finale of the curtain raiser of the local cricket season will not feature Mohammedans, the only team to have entered the final 13 times winning the trophy record seven times. Mohammedans' unprece-

dented exit following the maiden semi-final clash between the two local giants -Mohammedan and Abahani on last Friday - has really opened up new vistas for Brothers who lost to Mohammedans in the 11th Damal final in the 1989 90 season. Mahmud, the Mohammedan wicket keeper batsman, robbed 22 runs off one over from Shri Lankan paceman TL Fernando. The match had appeared safely tucked under Brothers' belt when Mahmud unleashed that memorable assault which included five boundaries in a row. Although Mahmud is no longer there Fernando, Athar Ali Khan and Arup Bhattacharya are still with Brothers Union to leaven the younger ones in the team with the retrospective wisdom of a

traumatic experience. For that matter, Brothers would do well to remember the presence of 'their' Shovon in the opposition camp. The wicketkeeper batsman has shone brightly for Abahani this year in rearguard action and at least on two occasions in this meet he saved the bacon for Abahani in company with Gazi Ashraf Hossain Lipu, the Abahani skipper.

Talking of chasing, both teams would like to chase than set a target for their opponents today because the wicket for the repeat 'show' between Abahani and Brothers will be





The captains: Lipu of Abahani and Bothers' Nobel (R)

unveiled today for the first time this year.

If the wicket offers any assistance for the seamers Brothers with experienced campaigners like Fernando. Athar and Suru in their ranks will be better off as far as the attack is concerned.

Both teams, however, will bank heavily on their batsman to tilt the balance in there favour. Brothers openers -Zahed Razzak Masum and skipper Nobel have been in prolific form this ear with the former notching four halfcenturies and an unbeaten century up to the final. The Brothers' middle order may face some unpleasant pressure in the event of a failure on the part of the openers, from the want of sufficient match prac-

Abahani will look forward to Shri Lankan Test player Athula Samarasekera for inspiration. The tall right-hander, who fell for a duck in the group match against Brothers, regained his touch with a bright innings of 47 against Mohammedans.

Although the 35-run win of Abahani against Brothers in the last Group X match caused frustration among genuine cricket lovers for the negative

attitude of the losers, bent on avoiding a semifinal clash with Mohammedans, the openers of both sides had enough confidence boosting practice. Abahani opener Jahangir Alam hit the first century of this year's Damal tournament while Masum and Nobel completed fine half centuries. Masum even reaching the three figure mark against GMCC.

EXTRA INCENTIVE

Meanwhile, Air Canada Cargo has announced awards for the man-of-the-match and the man-of-the-tournament. This will be an added incentive for the man-of-the-match who is destined to receive a cash award of Taka 3000 from Bangladesh Cricket Control Board (BCCB) itself.

RADIO COMMENTARY

Radio Bangladesh will broadcast running commentary of this match from 9-15 am

Following is the rate of tickets for the final: VIP gate 3A — Taka 50; VIP 3B- — Taka 25 and the galleries Taka 10. In a press release issued

yesterday BCCB announced that no tickets for VIP Gate No I will be on sale today.

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Michael 'Air' Jordan tops the list of world's richest athletes

NEW YORK, Nov 9: Playing basketball is only an income supplement for superstars like Chicago Bulls guard Michael Jordan, who tops Forbes magazine's third-annual ranking of the world's highest-paid athletes, reports AP.

The really big bucks come from product endorsements, which earned Jordan an estimated dlrs 32 million in 1992, on top of the dlrs 3.9 million he made dribbling and slam dunking, Forbes said in its ranking of 40 top athletes, released Sunday.

Jordan's contract with athletic footwear maker Nike Inc. for about dlrs 20 million is the most lucrative in sports. Deals with Wilson Sporting Goods, Gatorade, General Mills, McDonald's and other companies make up the rest of his

At 29, Jordan won't even bat an eye at any offer worth under dirs I million, says his agent, David Falk. Since he first appeared on the Forbes list in 1990, Jordan has earned dirs 60 million.

No 2 on the list was boxer Evander Holyfield, with earnings of dlrs 28 million. Auto racers Ayrton Senna of Brazil and Nigel Mansell of Britain were third and fourth respectively, with Senna earning dlrs 22 million and Mansell taking home dirs 14.5 million.

Veteran golfer Arnold Palmer, who makes most of his money from endorsements, was fifth with dirs 11.1 mil-

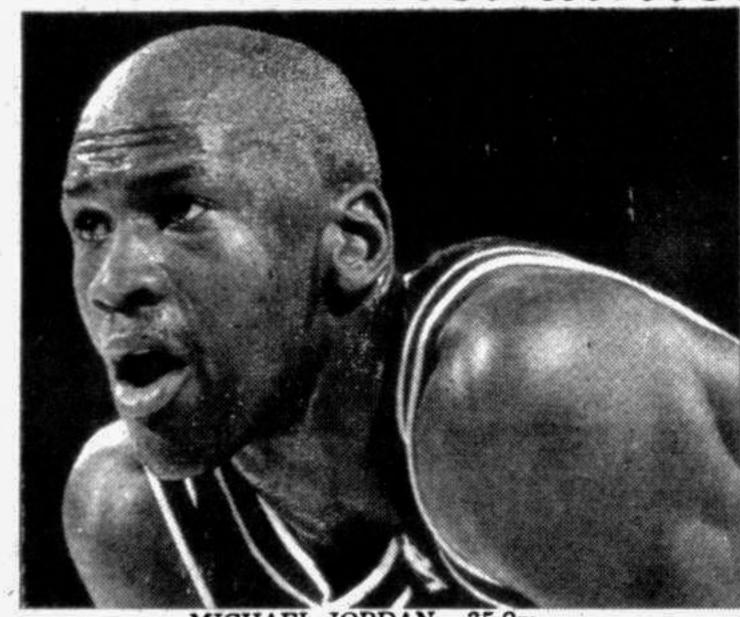
Mexico City eyes '97 athletics meet

LONDON, Nov 9: Mexico City, which staged a memorable Olympic games in 1968, wants to host the 1997 World Athletic Championships, reports AFP.

The International Amateur Athletic Federation said here Sunday that Mexican President Carlos Salinas made an official bid when he met IAAF president Primo Nebiolo privately in Mexico on Sunday. Nebiolo Described the pos-

sibility of Mexico City staging the championships as very promising.

Stuttgart, Germany, holds the 1992 championships and Gothenburg, Sweden, stages the 1995 event.



WORLD'S 40 RICHEST ATHLETES

Following is a list of the world's 40 highest-paid athletes with their sports and total estimated 1992 income, in

millions, according to Forbes magazine: Michael Jordan, basketball, dlrs 35.9. Evander Holyfield, boxing, dlrs 28. Ayrton Senna, auto racing, dlrs 22.

Nigel Mansell, auto racing, dlrs 14.5. 5. Arnold Palmer, golf, dlrs 11.1 Andre Agassi, tennis, dirs 11. Joe Montana, football, dlrs 9.5.

8. Jack Nicklaus, golf, dlrs 9.2. 9. Jim Courier, tennis, dlrs 9. 10. Monica Seles, tennis, dlrs 8.5.

11. Larry Holmes, boxing, dlrs 8.2. Gerhard Berger, auto racing, dlrs, 8. Michael Chang, tennis, dlrs 8.

14. Steffi Graf, tennis, dlrs 7.8. 15. Wayne Gretzky, hockey, dlrs 7.5.

Riccardo Patrese, auto racing, dlrs 7.5. 17. Stefan Edberg, tennis, dlrs 7.3.

18. Greg Norman, golf, dlrs 7.2. 19. George Foreman, boxing, dlrs 7. 20. Julio Cesar Chavez, boxing, dlrs 7. 21. Fred Couples, golf, dlrs 7.

22. David Robinson, basketball, dlrs 6.7. 23. Magic Johnson, basketball, dlrs 6.5. 24. Gabriela Sabatini, tennis, dlrs 6.5. 25. Bobby Bonilla, baseball, dlrs 6.3.

26. Dan Marino, football, dlrs 6. 27. Nick Faldo, golf, dlrs 6. 28. Pete Sampras, tennis, dlrs 5.6. 29. Danny Tartabull, baseball, dlrs 5.5. 30. Roger Clemens, baseball, dlrs 5.4.

31. Dwight Gooden, baseball, dlrs 5.4. 32. Ruben Sterra, baseball, dlrs 5.1. 33. Ivan Lendl, tennis, dlrs 5. 34. Patrick Ewing, basketball, dlrs 5.

35. Frank Viola, baseball, dlrs 5. 36. Lee Trevino, golf, dirs 5. 37. Will Clark, baseball, dlrs 4.8. 38. Barry Bonds, baseball, dlrs 4.8.

39. Doug Drabek, baseball, dlrs 4.8.

40. Cecil Fielder, baseball, dlrs 4.6. (* Note: Football here refers to the American NFL version while hockey refers to ice hockey or NHL.)

The highest-ranking woman on the list was tennis star Monica Seles, the winner of the Australian, French and US Opens this year, with earnings of dirs 8.5 million.

Tennis player Jim Courier, the highest-paid newcomer to Forbes' list, came in at No 9, with income of dlrs 9 million, only a third of it from playing tennis. Courier recently inked a deal with Nike worth about dlrs 4 million a year joining court rival Andre Agassi as the company's highest-paid tennis endorser.

Golfer Fred Couples, another addition to the list at No 21, is expected to earn about dlrs 1.5 million on the greens this year, the best purse in his career. He takes in another dlrs 5.5 million off the links with salary and bonuses from endorsement deals on clubs, clothes and other items.

New York Mets player Bobby Bonilla joined the list with an estimated dlrs 6 million in earnings, the bulk of it from his baseball salary.

The minimum annual income needed to make this year's best-paid athletes list grew from dlrs 3.9 million to dlrs 4.6 million, knocking a few names off the list. A few dropped off the list

for other reasons. Mike Tyson, one of the highest-paid last year, is in jail on a raped conviction. Basketball legend Larry Bird retired and teen-age tennis prodigy Jenniser Capriati had a

Borg's title at Tanner's cost

lacklustre season last year.

COUNTRYSIDE, III, Nov 9: Bjorn Borg of Sweden beat Roscoe Tanner on Sunday to win the Advanta Tour of Chicago - his first tournament victory since 1981, reports AP. The top-seeded Borg

earned dlrs 25,000 for his 6-4, 6-1 victory over Tanner, who also fell to Borg in the 1979 Wimbledon finals. Tanner took home dlrs 12,500. The dlrs 100,000 tourna-

ment in this Chicago suburb featured eight former Davis Cup and Grand Slam players aged 35 and over. The golden-haired Borg originally retired in 1982. He

won Wimbledon five times and

six French Opens.

Rain makes it a draw

CENTURION PARK, South Africa, Nov ! The four-day cricket match between the touring Indians and the President's'XI ended in a draw after heavy rain washed out the final day's play here Monday. reports AFP.

The rain, which swept the area since Sunday night, was still falling when the umpires called the match off soon after the scheduled lunch break. The bad weather ruined a

potentially exciting finish with India on nine for no loss, chasing a fourth innings victory target of 305. The Indians leave on

Tucsday for Durban, where the first of four Tests against South Africa starts on Friday. Final scores: President's XI:

268 and 200, India 164 and nine for no loss.

McDermott is Queensland's hero

SYDENY, Nov 9: Test pace bowler Craig McDermott completed an eight-wicket match haul to spearhead Queensland to an innings victory over South Australia in their Sheffield Shield match in Brisbane today, reports Reuter.

McDermott took two wickets for a four for 61 return as South Australia, resuming at 201 for six, added just 45 runs for their last four wickets.

Queensland won by an innings and 61 runs.

Opener Greg Blewett was the best performer with a solid half century while James Brayshaw made 32 and Glenn Bishop 27.

South Australia made 178 in its first innings and Queensland replied with 485 for seven declared, adding a bright 59 on Sunday morning before sending the South Australian batsmen back to the

Wayne Phillips stakes Test claim with double ton

SYDNEY, Nov 9: Victorian opener Wayne Phillips showed his Test credentials on Sunday, toiling to an impressive 205 as Victoria dominated the third day of the Sheffield Shield match Against New South Wales, reports Reuter. Victoria reached 495 for

seven at stumps, in reply to New South Wales's 377 for eight declared. Phillips resumed on 54 and was out eight minutes before stumps after a marathon 585

and his knock included as many as 24 boundaries. It was the slowest double century for Victoria but pushed him to the top of the list of candidates to open the Test

batting against the West Indies

later this month. Phillips was content to be the backbone of the innings while nightwatchman Shane Warne (54), Darren Lehmann (49) and captain Simon O'Donnell (67) played cavalier knocks on a superb batting

Veteran left arm paceman Mike Whitney worked hard for his three for 94 but leftarm wristspinner David Freedman was the most impressive and deserved better than one for

Victoria captain Simon O'Donnell called for uniform rules relating to stoppages after bad light snuffed out his side's chance of victory over New South Wales in Sydney.

New South Wales led by just nine runs with three second innings wickets left when the umpires offered the light to batsmen Michael Bevan and David Freedman during the third of the compulsory 16 overs in the final hour.

A rule change this year allowed Friday's rain delay to be made up over the course of the match. But O'Donnell called for an extension to also include bad light.

"We want results and people to come back to Shield cricket, but today has just kicked it in the butt," he said. "In Queensland they start

games at 9.30 am to compensate for possible bad light, so why can't we switch the lights on here? "We all suggested it before

we came off because it's such an obvious action to take. Someone just flicks the switch."

Handball clinic Sports Reporter

The three-day seminar on handball for the district sports officers under international handball lecturer and coach Allan Lund began yesterday at the National Sports Council conference room, says a press release.

State Minister for Textiles Maj (retd) Abdul Mannan inaugurated the course as chief Amanullah Aman, MP was

present as a special guest. Forty district sports officers are taking part in the programme' organised by the Bangladesh Handball Federa-

tion.

Zimbabwe 173 for three However, Rutherford went

HARARE, Nov 9: in only the third over, cutting Zimbabwe were 173 for three what the off-spin of John Traicos en bad light ento be caught at the wicket for ded play 30 mi-74, and the rest of the Kiwi nutes before the scheduled batting line-up folded in the close on the second day of the next 11 overs.

second cricket Test against

New Zealand today, reports

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Test against New Zealand.

Scores: New Zealand 335:

An earlier report said:

Zimbabwe had very much the

better of the morning session

at Harare Sports Club here on

the second day of the second

for 335 in their first innings,

the last seven wickets falling

for just 36 runs, but then

reached lunch on nine for one

in their reply, with the man to

go Grant Flower, leg before to

the left-arm seam of Murphy

their overnight Saturday score

of 314 for 6, pinned most of

their hopes for a score of 400-

plus on the not out batsman

Ken Rutherford who was un-

beaten on 72 at the start of

PARK, South Afri-

ca, Nov 9: Left-

arm paceman Br-

ett Schultz, who

New Zealand, resuming on

Su'a for five.

They bowled the visitors out

Su'a edged the pace of Brandes to third slip for one Willie Watson dragged a Brain delivery back onto his stumps for three and Haslam, pushing forward, thin-edged Brain behind to go for three as well.

David Brain finished as the leading Zimbabwe wickettaker with 3-49.

But New Zealand managed an early breakthrough just before lunch when Grant Flower was adjudged outleg before, after some deliberation by umptre lan Robinson, to new-ball bowler Su'a.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day of the second and final cricket Test between Zimbabwe and New Zealand on Monday:

Greatbatch c A Flower b Brain

Arnott not out Flower Ibw b Su'a Cambell not out Extras (lb1) Total (1 wkt, 10 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-7

Jones c Pycroft b Brandes

Patel c Cambell b Traicos

Su'a c Arnott b Bandes

Extras (lb-11, nb-6)

7-321; 8-327; 9-330.

Haslam c A Flower b Brain

Fall of wickets: 1-44: 2-73:

ZIMBABWE: First innings

3-131; 4-299; 5-306; 6-313;

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Watson b Brain

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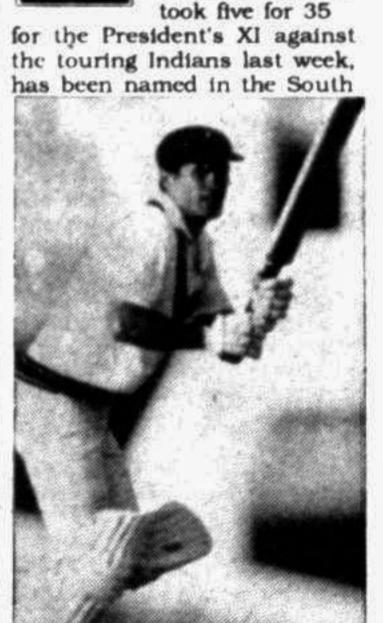
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NEW ZEALAND: First innings (overnight 314 for six) Bowling: 55 Su'a Latham c A Flower b Nash

S African side for first Test against India

Wessels captain, Cook recalled CENTURION Western province to 46 for



WESSELS... captain African team for the first Test in Durban from Friday, reports

The 22-year-old bowler from Eastern Province is the only surprise inclusion in the team, announced by the United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA) on Monday.

The team has two veterans in 39-year-old opiner Jummy Cook and coloured left-arm spinner Omar Henry, 40. Bowling spearhead Allan

Donald, who pulled a stomach muscle last week, has been included in the team subject to a fitness test on the eve of the Former South African pace

bowler Peter Pollock, who

heads the national selection committee, said seamer Steven Jack will come in if Donald is declared unfit.

"The emphasis is on the new ball attack, so it is vital Donald is fit," Pllock said.

Two South African umpires, Karl Liebenberg and Cyril Mktchley, will team with West Indian Steve Bucknor for the first Test. Ali Bacher, UCBSA's manag-

ing director, said the posting of the three umpires will be decided at a meeting with the Indian team management in Durban on Tuesday. The Indians want umpires to be rotated on a day-by-day

basis. The South Africans prefer a change every session of

THE TEAM South African team for first Test: Kepler Wessels (captain), Peter Wessels (captain), Peter

Kirsten (vice-captain), Andrew Hudson, Jimmy Cook, Jonty Rhodes, Brain McMillan, Dave Richardson (wicket-keeper) Omar Henry, Meyrick Pringle, Allan Donald (Steven Jack) and Brett Schultz. 12th man:

Hansic Cronje. Cook's reminder

Meanwhile, another Reuter report from Johannesburg said : Jummy Cook, left out of South Africa's 1992 World Cup squad and tour of West Indies, enhanced his prospects of a recall for the forthcoming home Tests against India by hitting a century for Transvaal on Sunday.

Opener Cook maintained his fine form this season with 123 as Transvaal made 333 in reply to Western province's first innings of 410 for eight declared in their Castle Cup four-day match in Johannes-

Paceman Richard Snell grabbed three for 25 to reduce

three in their second innings at the close of the third day. The South African selectors

are expected to name their side today for the first test against India starting in Durban on Friday.



COOK ... recalled

Malcolm Marshall, in his first season for Natal, gave his side a good chance of a home victory over Border in their match at Pietermaritzburg.

His four for 61 helped to dismiss Border for 281 in their second innings and Natal, needing 271 to win. ended the day on 167 for

Marshall's compatriot El dine Baptiste took five for 51 for Eastern Province, who gained a first innings lead of 107 by dismissing Orange Free State for 230 on their home

ground in Bloemfontein. But Eastern Province slumped to 85 for five in their second innings at the close.

Windies crush WA by 236 runs



PERTH, Australia, Nov 9: The West Indies crushed Western Australia by 236 runs on

the final day of their four day clash against the reigning Sheffield Shield champions here Monday, reports AFP.

Set a tough target of 368 from 68 overs, a rate of 5.41 China in Asian TT quarterfinals

NEW DELHI, Nov 9: Defending champions China defeated Chinese Taipei Monday to move into the men's quarterfinals of the 11th Asian Table Tennis Championship, winning three of the four

matches, reports AP. Chinese women also defeated India, winning all three matches effortlessly on the third day of the tournament. They will now face Hong Kong. South Korea's women will meet Malaysia and Japan will take on North Korea in the last eight stage matches.

In the men's final eight, China will face Iran, India will fight Japan, South Korea will take on Indonesia and Chinese Taipei will play North Korea. On Monday, Chinese men

dropped their first match to Chinese Taipei but rallied to win, 3-1. China's Xie Chaojia, ranked 24th in the world, was the first Chinese to lose at the championship, going down 21-17, 23-21 to Chinese Taipei's Chin Chin Shui.

Malaysia beat Bangladesh 3in group A of the men's sec-In group B play, North

Korea blanked Thailand 3-0 and Indonesia beat Macao 3-0. South Korea beat Pakistan 3-0, while India got a walk over from Mongolia. Singapore

topped Kuwait 3-0, Japan shut

out Iran 3-0 and Shri Lanka

edged Kuwait 3-2.

DES HAYNES runs an over, for victory, the state side collapsed in their second innings for 131 at the WACA ground. The tourists' main wrecker

was paceman Kenneth Benjamin, who captured three wickets for 27.

REID INJURED AGAIN An earlier report said:

Australian test bowler Bruce Reid broke down with a shoulder injury on Sunday and the West Indies batsmen took full advantage of the weakened Western Australian attack to build a big lead. Reid, who has been re-

stricted by injury to just 26 of a possible 58 Tests, since his debut in 1985 and has not had an injury free season since 1987, was diagnosed as suffering from tendonitis. The 29-year-old paceman,

who is expected to partner Craig McDermott in the Test series, managed just seven overs before going off.

Veteran opener Desmond Haynes made the most of the injury prone bowler's absence to compile his second halfcentury and lead West Indies to 235 for three in their second innings at the close of the

third day's play. Haynes struck 10 boundaries in scoring 66, passing his halfcentury in 100 minutes, and Keith Arthurton reached in unbeaten halfcentury off the last ball of the day. Carl Hooper was 42 not out. Flashy lefthander Brian Lara contributed an attractive 46 to follow up his 55 on Friday, but his weakness for blazing away

was caught at point by Justin Langer cutting a short ball from Jo Angel.

at anything outside offstump

brought about his downfall. He

Div II transfers Inter-club transfers of cricketers for the Second Division league, beginning from December 18, will be held from November 20 to 25,

says a BCCB press release. Players have been asked to contact the Bangladesh Cricket Control Board in this connec-

Registration deadline Sports Reporter

No team will be allowed to register foreign cricketers this year after the onset of the league. This was stated by the Bangladesh Cricket Control

Board (BCCB) yesterday through a circular. Clubs have been advised to register or renew their foreign

players at least a day before the commencement of the league. The 1992-93 Milnars First Division cricket league begins from next Thursday November 12 while the Navana Premier

Division league gets off two

days later, from November 14.

Club officials have also been instructed to submit the list of their foreign players to the secretary of the senior league committee at least a day before the commencement of the two leagues.

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