

# Angry Ambrose amerces Aussies

**SYDNEY, Jan 16:** A fierce spell of fast bowling from an angry Curtley Ambrose propelled the West Indies to victory over Australia in the first one-day cricket final of the World Series Cup here today, reports AFP.

After batting first and compiling 239 for eight off their 50 overs, the Ambrose-led West Indian attack restricted Australia to 214 to give the tourists a polished 25-run win before a sellout crowd of almost 38,000.

The victory gave the West Indies a 1-0 lead in the best-of-three game final series, with the second match to be played in Melbourne Monday.

Ambrose, incensed after being forced to remove a wrist band following a complaint from batsman Dean Jones, produced one of the finest displays of fast bowling seen in one-day cricket to finish with 5-32 off 9.3 hostile overs.

The 29-year-old Antiguan soon had the Australian batsmen backpedalling as they set about chasing the victory target of 4.8 runs per over.

He removed both openers in a fiery 15-ball burst which did not cost a run, taking the prize scalp of in-form David Boon for 16 to break a threatening 41-run opening stand in the 16th over.

Then followed Jones' successful appeal to the umpires for Ambrose to remove the white wrist band, which Jones argued made it difficult for batsmen to see the white cricket ball used in the day night matches.

But the move only served to agitate Ambrose, who responded with genuine pace not usually seen in limited over matches. He was rewarded with Taylor's wicket for 28, after the left-hander tried to turn a ball to leg but ballooned a leading edge to Phil Simmons at point.

Ambrose had two wickets for just six runs off six overs at that stage, and was unlucky not to claim new batsman Jones

the following over, with wicket-keeper Junior Murray spilling a hot chance.

Earlier a sparkling batting display from opener Brian Lara laid the groundwork for a formidable West Indian score after he smashed a quickfire 67 off 82 balls, including seven boundaries.

The middle order carried on with the run-chase, with Carl Hooper blazing 45 and

An aggressive charge down the wicket from Lara resulted in the ball spooning to all-rounder Tony Dodemaide at deep gully, ending yet another quality innings from the 23-year-old rising star.

The cause became hopeless when Mark Waugh was run out soon after for fine 51 — the fourth time the elegant right-hander has been run out in his last five innings.

Nine of the Australian batsmen reached double figures but only Mark Waugh scored more than 40.

Wicket-keeper Ian Healy led a launched a courageous rear-guard fight.

But the return of Ambrose — again wearing the sweat band — to bowl his final three overs snuffed out any remaining Australian victory hopes.

Ambrose fittingly snared Healy (33), Dodemaide (3) and Craig McDermott for a first ball duck to seal an impressive Windies victory.

Not surprisingly, none of the remaining Australian batsmen risked further upsetting Ambrose by protesting against the wrist band.

## SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard in the first World Series Cup day-night final between Australia and West Indies at the Sydney Cricket Ground today:

### WEST INDIES:

B Lara c Dodemaide b	67
D Haynes c b	38
P Simmons c M	5
Waugh b Matthews	28
R Richardson c	45
Dodemaide b Border	38
C Hooper b S Waugh	0
G Logie b S Waugh	1
K Benjamin run out	5
I Bishop b McDermott	12
C Ambrose not out	12
Extras: (b-2, lb-8, nb-2)	23
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CAMBROSE ... 5 for 32

BRIAN LARA ... 67

vice-captain Gus Logie celebrating a belated return to form with 38 off just 35 balls.

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Logie was a surprise inclusion in the side, in preference to both Keith Arthurton and Jimmy Adams, with the tourists also opting for a four-pronged pace bowling attack.

Australian bowling honours were shared by Matthews and Waugh, each taking 2-45 while Border finished with 2-46, all

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