ITF tennis results

Sports Reporter

Matthias Boelson of Ger many and Cohen Dean of the USA moved into the men's doubles final of the ITF Thailand-Bangladesh Satellite Circuit tennis tournament, according to a faxed message received in Dhaka yesterday.

in the first semifinal, the Boelson and Cohen pair beat Yonatan Rom of RSA and Glenn Wilson of New Zealand 7-6 (0). 1-7 (5), 6-5, 6-4.

The other match between D. andrea of Brazil and Furosho Japan verses Baily and Co wan of Britain was abandon ed in the second set by the mat ch referee.

g, arlier in the men's singles quar ter-final matches, Barry Cowa n of Great Britain beat Frank Ofori of Ghana 4-6, 6-3, 6-2: Boelson beat - Adarn Skrzype zak of Poland 7-6, 6-4; Henders on of GBR beat his compatri of James Fox 7-5, 6iand Martijn Belgraven of Netharlan ds beat Tom Spin ks of GBR in straight 6-2, 6-4.

Today, Cowan of Britain takes on Boelson of Germar iy while, Belgraven of Nethairlands facers Henderson of Britain in the men's single:s semifinals.

Div III soccer

Sports Reporter

A hattrick by Didarul Alarn helped Maghbazar Kishalaya Sangha trounce Dilkush a Sporting Club 4-0 in one of the three Progoti Insurance Third Division football league match at the T & T ground yesterday. Kishalaya dominated the match throughout. Suranjit Da s

scored the other goal. In another tie at the Outer Stadium, Jaan-e-Alam put the ball twice into the net to earn Bashabo Tarun Sangha an eas y 3-0 win over East End Boy Club. Monirul slotted home the other goal.

Matuail Jubo Sangha beat Little Friends Club 2-1 in the other match of the day.

Mintu and Shafigur netted once each for Matuail while Zainul reduced the margin.

Div II hockey

Sports Reporter

Victoria Sporting Club and Farashganj Sporting Club may have to play each other again to decide who win the Green Delta Second Division hockey league crown after their crucial super league tie ended goalless at the Hockey Stadium yesterday.

Both Victoria and Farash gani have one game in hand and are expected to win against weaker opponents. If things go as they are expected to, the joint leaders will battle it out in a play-off on November 22, a day after their last super league outings.

Although the match was closely fought, statistically.

Farashganj played better for they earned three penalty corners, one more than Victoria. But in the end it meant nothing as both failed to capitalise on these opportunities.

The other match at the same venue was played in a quite contrary fashion with Combined Sporting racing away to a hefty 5-0 triumph over Cantonian Sporting.

Mohammad scored twice while Reaz. Anwar and Shahabuddin sounded the board once each.

Army hockey from today

JESSORE, Nov 19: The annual hockey championship of the Bangladesh Army will start at the Jessore Cantonment from tomorrow, reports BSS.

Ten teams will take part in the robin league matches of the eleven day meet. In the opening match Bogra

Area will take on Dhaka Engineers.

Local area commander Major General Muhammad Mustafizur Rahman, Bir Bikram, will inaugurate the meet as chief guest

Recipients of BSJWC award announced

The Bangladesh Sports Journalists and Writers Community (BSJWC) announced the names of four footballers for its sports award-1993,

reports UNB. The newly formed organisation decided at a meeting to distribute its first ever award for the best booters and highest scorers of this year's Premier and First Division

Football leagues. The recipients are: Best player - Syed Rumman Wali Bin Shabbir (Mohammedan SC) and highest scorer - Alexander Jivot Nikov (Mohammedan) for the Premier

League. Best player - Zulfikhar Mahmood Mintoo (Sadharan Bima) and highest scorer -Mahmudul Hoq Liton (East End Club) for the First Division

League. The awards will be distributed among the booters in a ceremony to be held soon.

Biman overcome brave BU

Sports Reporter

commendably, giving away only Brothers Union 17 runs for one wicket from down his quota of nine overs. Rafiq. fighting to their who perhaps prompted by the second defeat in lifelessness of the wicket, has this year's Navana switched to spin from left-arm Premier Division pace took one and so did vetcricket league when they lost eran offie Anwarul Amin Azhar. to Bangladesh Birnan by eight

went

runs on a day marked by some

splendid batting at the Dhaka

Suman notched his highest

score of the season and Shoeb

sparkled in the semi-darkness

of a brumal afternoon but failed

to catch Biman that got off the

ground mainly because of a de-

lightful 74 made off only 73

After a sluggish start,

Brothers braced themselves

for a heady finish with Suman

hitting 83 in 128 balls before

holing out of Babul off the

bowling of left-arm spinner

Enamul Huq Moni. The quiet

right-hander helped Eirothers

to recover an early shock of

losing Zahid Razzak Massum in

the first over. The flamboyant

opener started, halted then

started again and the throw

came from midwicket to leave

the batsman stranded at the

the same away with the score

on 66 in the 20th over after a

Rafiq sent back Rokon cheaply

and the Shri Lankan Amal

Dalugoda was beaten by a

At 78 for four, it seemed

Brothers were nowhere nearer

to their victory target of 213 in

45 overs than they were at the

outset of their innings. But in

came Fernando and in a

stormy 18-ball innings the

dark Shri Lankan set the tune

for an exciting finish. He hit

three beefy fours before slam-

ming one down to Rafiq's

throat at long-off and the

fielder, who had earlier made a

challenging catch look fairly

simple, accepted the offer in

and a sweetly timed sixer — a

neatly picked delivery from

medium pacer Jahangir Taluk-

dar Dulu that went sailing over

the longest boundary between

long on and midwicket, left at

168 shortly after Farnando and

But young Shoeb, who was

all seemed lost with Brothers.

in Gulshan Youth last year.

proved his worth with some

brave hitting under enormous

pressure. He swung Dulu for a

near six in one bounce, then

executed the best stroke of the

day, when he hit Biman skip-

per Moni with the spin for a

sixer over deep extra cover. He

was bowled for 18 trying a

mighty heave of the bowler in

wicketkeeper Didar gave their

all but just did not have it in

them to pull off a victory and

Brothers finished on 204 for

nine at the end of their quota

man bowler with figures of four

for 42. New ball bowler Miza-

nur Rahman Babul did his job

action

Allan Lamb, once England's

captain, on Thursday to bring

the latest episode in a six-year

"cheating war" to a dramatic

after the High Court case

which contained damaging al-

legations from English players

and umpires that tampering

with the ball to achieve deadly

swing was an integral part of

the armoury of Pakistan's

England teammates lan

Botham and Robin Smith, said

he stood by a newspaper arti-

cle last year which claimed

Lamb, flanked by former

Both men claimed victory

end, reports Reuter.

quick bowlers.

LONDON, Nov 19:

Former Pakistan

Test cricketer

Sarfraz Nawaz

withdrew a libel

against

Moni emerged the best Bi-

Azhar Hossain Shantu and

the same over.

of 45 overs.

Suman, who hit five fours

an assured manner.

painstaking 47 for 17.

squatter for a duck.

Masum's partner Nobel left

A good catch at long on by

bowler's end.

balls by Indian Bhaskar Pillai.

Young Habibul Bashar

Stadium yesterday.

Earlier put into bat, Biman piled up 212 for eight, thanks to a freewheeling 74 from indian Bhaskar Pillai. The dark Delhi batsman rode on his luck twice to remain unbeaten after coming in as the number five batsman with Biman rather unpromisingly placed at 73 for three. He hit five boundaries and two sixes with young Al Shahriar Rokon, whose two overs cost him 23 runs, suffering most at the hand of the big right hander. Pillai hit two sixes in Rokon's one over both flying over the midwicket reWARI WIN

Wari Club beat Victoria by five wickets at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium in the other Navana tie billed for the day. Dhanmondi batted first and

mustered 141 for eight wickets from 45 overs. Indian Gautam Some topscored with 39 followed by opener Rinku who made 23. Salahuddin of Wari bowled

superbly to capture three for 13. Shri Lankan Sharat also took three wickets but gave away 32 runs.

Wari, who are now on a three-match winning streek. achieved the target in 42 overs posting 142 for five wickets. Biddut was the highest scorer with 39. Opi made 28 and Halim Shah chipped in with an

unbeaten 27



Bhaskar Pillai, Biman's Indian recruit, carts Al Shariar Rokon of Bothers Union for a massive sixer in yesterday's exciting Navana Premier league encounter between Brothers and Biman. A strong contender for this year's league title Biman won the match by eight runs.

gion with the first one particularly spectacular for its sheer horizontal and vertical components of flight.

Opener Jahangir with 34 and Zakaria with 20 were the other notable Biman scorers.

Thirty-one extras were conceded by the erratic Brothers bowlers and fielders. Shri* Lankan left arm spinner Amal Dalugoda was their best bowler taking three for 34. Paceman Rahul, who was a bit unlucky was the most impressive taking one for 30.

Suman, who later shone with the bat; took two for 34 with his off spinners.

to tamper with the ball to

He had also accused the

Sarfraz's counsel Jonathan

1992 touring Pakistanis, who

beat England 2-1 in the Test

series, of using Sarfraz's tac-

Crystal said the claim had been

withdrawn because Lamb had

acknowledged that, in the

games he played with his for-

mer Northamptonshire col-

league, Sarfraz had not

cheated and Lamb had never

· Sarfraz said he was de-

lighted, "I think it's the great-

est victory in my life. I have

never cheated in my life." he

their share of the costs of the

four-day hearing, estimated by

Both men will have to pay

suggested otherwise.

achieve swing.

- Star photo Victoria's Adil got two for

19. Lalu and Iqbal bagged one MILNARS LEAGUE FROM TODAY

The 1993-94 Milnars First Division cricket league gets underway today with PWD taking on newcomers Shantinagar 'B' in the lone encounter for the inaugural day at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium. The day's in two regulation Navana league encounters champions Abahani play Udity at the Dhaka Stadium while Gulshan Youth face Dhanmondi at the

legal sources at around

100,000 pounds (150,000).

"I'm glad to pay what it has

cost me to clear my name and

to be known as an honest

cricket legal action since

cricket authorities failed to

stop Australian Kerry Packer

setting up an unofficial cricket

Its sudden end came just

before Botham, England's

greatest all-rounder was to

give evidence in support of his

trust between Pakistan and

England team since 1987

when England captain Gatting

furiously disagreed with Pak-

istan umpire Shakoor Rana.

Gatting believed Rana was

lacking in impartiality.

There has been great mis-

The case was the biggest

sportsman," Sarfraz said.

circus in 1977.

friend Lamb.

Mirpur Pallabi ground. Dramatic end to 'cheating war' that Sarfraz showed him how

WELLINGTON, Nov 19: New Zealand cricket captain Martin Crowe will miss the rest of his country's tour of Australia after undergoing knee surgery on Friday, his surgeon said, reports Reuter.

Crowe to miss

rest of the tour

Crowe, who flew home after the first Test against Australia earlier this week, was operated on by orthopaedic surgeon Barry Tietjens, who said Crowe would need six weeks to two months to recover before he could start strengthening the damaged knee.

Tletjens said he hoped Crowe would be fit for Pakistan's tour of New Zealand scheduled to begin at the end of January.

There were bits and pieces of debris around the joint which had made the knee very painful so we flushed those out." Tietjens added.

Tietjens, who played a leading role in the comeback of all black Michael Jones from a knee injury sustained in 1989. said Crowe had further aggravated an earlier diagnosed problem.

The injury means Crowe, New Zealand's best batsman. will miss the rest of the Australian tour and the World Series Cup triangular series between Australia. New Zealand and South Africa in December and January.

Hosts off to a bright start in World Open

KARACHI, Nov 19: Pakistan had cause for celebration on the opening day of the World Open in Karachi on Thursday as three of their players reached the second round - including six-time former champion Jahangir Khan, reports Reuter.

But Jahangir, who last won the title in 1988 and playing only his second tournament in nine months, was hardly impressive as he beat world number 53 Federico Usandizaga of Argentina 15-10, 5-15, 15-12, 15-9.

He looked a shadow of his former self and trailed 11-8 in the third before his opponent ran out of steam. And world number 13 Zarak Jahan Khan had his share of fortune, beating Welshman Adrian Davies 13-15, 15-13, 12-15, 15-3, 15-14 in a sudden death finish after saving three match points.

At the final point Davies insisted he was pushed and remonstrated with the referee. former Pakistani star Gogi Allaudin, for several minutes after Zarak had left the court.

But former top 10 player Mir Zaman Gul, now ranked 39th had a superb win for Pakistan, beating England international and world number 11 Simon Parke 8-15, 17-15, 15-12, 15-

Australia also had something to cheer - Fristan Nancarrow not only turned up but also

But a leg injury, given as his reason for missing Qatar international last week seemed to have undergone a miraculous recovery as he beat Ireland's Derek Ryan 15-12, 12-15, 15-13, 15-8 in 60 minutes.

Nelson outboxes Thunder

AUCKLAND, Nov 19: Johnny Nelson of Britain overcame a huge weight disadvantage Friday to score a unanimous 12round points decision over New Zealander Jimmy Thunder and win the World Boxing Federation heavyweight title, reports

Nelson, who moved up from the cruiserweight division for the fight, conceded 10 kilograms (22 pounds) to Thunder but outboxed the holder of the lightly regarded title.

Nelson, a 26-year-old from Sheffield who previously held the WBF cruiserweight title. used the ropes and the ring intelligently, moving constantly and jabbing effectively with his powerful left.

Thunder, 27, tried to bomb his way to victory but his lack of accuracy and speed cost him dearly.

Thunder registered 102.75 kilograms (226 1/2 pounds) at Thursday's weigh-in, while Nelson was 92.65 kilogrammes (204 1/4 pounds).

Everest Marathon on November 26

KATHMANDU, Nov 19: Seventy-five runners from 13 countries will take in the fourth Everest Marathon to be held on November 26 in the Everest region, reports AFP.

The biennial event covers 42 kilometres in the Khumbu region the foothills of Everest.

Besides the host Nepal, runners from Australia, Britain, Bulgaria, the Bahamas, Germany, Italy, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Spain, Switzerland and the United States are in the field of 75 which includes 13 women, a Nepal Amateur Athletics Association (NAAA) press release said Friday.

The ten-member Nepalese contingent includes among others Hari Rokya, two-time Olympic marathon runner.



side beat Australia 1-0 in Buenos Aires on Nov 17, to win the last berth for the World Cup finals. - AFP photo

Snell keeps SA on course



GUWAHATI, India, Nov 19: Title aspirants South Africa maintained an unbeaten record in the fivena-

tion Hero Cup with a 78-run demolition of Shri Lanka here Friday, reports AFP. Restricted to 214 for seven in

trying batting conditions. South Africa hit back to bowl Shri Lanka out for 136 off just 40.1 The emphatic victory took

South Africa to the top of the round-robin table with five points from three matches. They play hosts India in their final league encounter in Chandigarh on Monday. The Shri Lankans completed

their league engagements with three defeats in four matches. but still find themselves in the running for a semifinal berth. Shri Lanka and Zimbabwe are currently tied at two points

each, but the islanders will go through if Zimbabwe fail to win their last match against the West Indies in Hyderabad on Sunday. In the event of two teams finishing level on points, the one with a better winning

record moves up. Shri Lanka had beaten Zimbabwe in their clash on Monday. Shri Lanka's delight at restricting the South Africans was short-lived, as the batting crumbled against the fiery at-

was not conducive to stroke-Seamer Richard Snell was South Africa's saviour with four wickets. Hansie Cronje took two for 21 as Shri Lanka lost wickets at regular intervals against

tack on an uneven wicket that

tight fielding. Sanath Jayasuriya, who claimed three wickets for Shri Lanka, also top scored with 27. Rumesh Ratnayake was the only other batsman to tough 20 and five others failed to reach

double figures. In the morning, South African batsmen struggled to force the pace after being given first strike in foggy conditions where the ball moved about in the air.

Skipper Kepler Wessels topscored with a defiant 53, making the most of two missed chances before he had reached 17, Darryl Cullinan made 41 off 56 balls.

Wessels and vice-captain Cronje (28) added 62 for the second wicket, the highest partnership in the low-scoring

South Africa were in danger of posting less than 200 on the board when the sixth-wicket fell in the 45th over at the score of 171, but allrounder Brian McMillan boosted the score with an unbeaten 34.

Jayasuriya removed Cullinan, Jonty Rhodes and Pat



R. SNELL ... man-of-match Symcox with his slow left-armers. Off-spinner Muttiah Muralidharan and Ratnayake took two wickets apiece.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Hero Cup one-day international between South Africa and Shri Lanka played at the Nehru Stadium here today. SOUTH AFRICA

Wessels st Kaluwirthana b Muralidharan

Hudson c Kaluwtrthana b Ratnayake Cronje b Muralidharan Cullinan b Jayasuriya Rhodes c Mahanama b Jayasuriya McMillan not out Symcox b Jayasuriya Snell b Ratnavake Richardson no out Extra: (b-2, lb-5, w-4, nb-4) Total: (for seven wickets, 50 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-18; 2-81; 3-101; 4-132; 5-163; 6-171; 7-

Did not bat: De Villiers, Donald

Bowling:	0	M	R	N
Wickramasin	ghe 6	0	29	1
Ratnayake	8	2	24	1
Liyanage	5	1	27	0
Muralidharan	10	1	36	2
Kalpage	10	1	39	0
Jayasuriya	7	.0	31	3
De Silva	4	0	21	0
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Mahanama c	Richa	rdsor	n.	
b Donald				10
Jayasuriya c	Richar	dsor	1	10000
b Snell				27
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De Silva lbw l				2
Ranatunga lb	w b Sy	mco	x	6
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b Cronje				17
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Muralidharan	not o	ut	38	0
Extras: lb-5,	w-4, n	b-6		15
Total: (all out	40.1	over	8)	136
Fall of wid	ckets:	1-2	5; 2-	48;
3-50; 4-59; 5-	78: 6-	80; 7	7-81;	8-
109; 9-135.	will be	(8)	i i	
Bowling:	O M	1	R	W
Donald	8 0) 1	25	1

80; 7-81; 8-De Villiers Snell McMillan Cronje

Results: South Africa won by 78 runs Man-of-the-match: Richard **STANDINGS**

League standings after Friday's match (played, won, lost, tie, abandoned, points): South Africa 3 2 - - 1 West Indies 3 2 1 3 1 1 1 -India Shri Lanka · 4 '1 3

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Zimbabwe

Doull, De Groen make a point



tourists.

ADELAIDE, Nov 19: Medium- pacers Simon Doull and Richard de Groen Friday staked strong claims for places in the New Zealand cricket team for the second

Doull took six wickets for 55 as South Australia were dismissed for 158 in 50.5 overs on the first day of their four-day match against the

Test against Australia, reports

De Groen was equally economical and took two wickets for 30 off 17 impressive overs. New Zealand was eight for one in reply after losing opener Blair Pocock for three.

Doull made full use of the green, damp Adelaide Oval pitch to claim his sixth firstclass haul of five or more wickets. With injury- victim Willie

Watson almost certainly out of the Test - which starts in Hobart next Friday - Doull and De Groen are the leading candidates to replace him. The other two wickets to fall Friday went to left-armer

more expensive, conceding 56 runs from his 12 overs. South Australia did New Zealand two favours when play finally began after morning

Murphy Su'a, but he was far

Stand-in captain Darren Lehmann decided to bat, then South Australia's batting lacked the required resilience in helpful bowling conditions.

Only opener Geoff Blewett (47) and later allrounder Joe Scuderi (51) were able to make much progress as new captain Ken Rutherford shuffled his three fast- medium bowlers around effectively.

Blewett did a good job for his team. He worked hard through the early stages of the innings and managed some positive strokes in the second hour's batting.

He received useful support from wicketkeeper Tim Nielsen as they put on 56 for the fifth wickets in 76 minutes and South Australia got to tea at 92 for four.

Just when it seemed they had taken some sting from the New Zealand attack, a wicket fell in each of the first two overs after tea.

Nielsen speared De Groen at chest height to Mark Greatbatch at first slip, then Blewett was well snapped up by Blain diving low to his right, off Doull. He had batted 134 minutes, faced 97 balls and hit four boundaries.

Wickets continued to fall steadily, with the rain always threatening when it wasn't lightly sprinkling the ground.

Scuderi provided some substance to the second half of the innings. He wasn't afraid to hit out, regularly pulling the short deliveries, and took advantage of over- pitched bowling outside his off-stump.

He reached his half century from just 61 balls, driving

Cubans romp home in eves' V'ball

OSAKA, Japan, Nov 19: Favourites Cuba powered past Russia in four sets to score their third consecutive win in the women's competition at the 1.5 million dollar World Grand Champions Cup volleyball tournament here Friday, reports

Doull for two through cover, but was dismissed five balls

Nightwatchman Murphy Su'a was unbeaten on four at stumps with Greatbatch vet to score. The match continues through Monday.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard after the opening day of the four-day cricket match between South Australia and New Zealand played here Friday:

SOUTH AUSTRALIA: 1st in-

nings G Blewett c Blain b Doull P Nobes c Rutherford b Su'a 0 J Brayshaw b Doull D Lehmann c Blain b Doull D Webber c Young b De Groen T Nielsen c Greatbatch b De Groen B Wigney c Rutherford b Doull J Scuderi c De Groen b Doull D Reeves c Blain b Doull T May c Young b Su'a

P McIntyre not out Extras: (2-lb, 2-w, 3-nb) Fall of wkts : 1-3; 2-23; 3-33; 4-36; 5-92; 6-96; 7-115; 8-126; 9-129; 10-158. M R Bowling: 2 56 Su'a

De Groen

7 30

17.5 Doull 1 55 2 15 Harris Overs: 50.5 **NEW ZEALAND**: 1st innings B Pocock b Scuderi M Greatbatch not out M Su'a not out Extras: (1-lb)

Fall of wkt: 1-3. Overs: 5.

Total: (one wkt for) Bowling: Wigney Scuderi Reeves

Bulgarian midfielder Krassimir Balakov (R) evades a desperate tackle by French midfielder Reynald Pedros during their World Cup qualifying match in Paris on Nov 17. Bulgaria beat France 2-1 to book their tickets to the finals in USA next year. - AFP photo