

Ziaur Rahman nat'l junior chess champ

Sports Reporter International Master (IM) Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh Biman emerged as unbeaten champion in the fifteenth national junior chess tournament when he won against Shawkat Hossain Pallab in the ninth and final round match at the chess room of the National Sports Council (NSC) yesterday.



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Zia secured eight and a half points. The reigning national champion, International Master Reefat-bin-Sattar, who was going for a hat-trick of titles, lost to...

Sher-e-Bangla Cup soccer results

Gazipur, Chittagong, Comilla, Pirojpur, Satkhira, Pabna and Dinajpur moved into the zonal semifinals of the Sher-e-Bangla Cup national football championship...

Partex b' ball

Sports Reporter Josephites Club defeated Dhumketu Club by 51-37 in the Partex First Division basketball league...

Biman athletics end

The two-day 13th annual athletics championship '94 of Biman Bangladesh Airlines concluded yesterday at Rajarbagh Police Lines ground...

NSU sports

Sports Reporter The annual North South University (NSU) sports '94 will be held tomorrow at 9 am at the Bangladesh Army Stadium...

Tutan puts PWD on the spot

A brilliant all round performance by Tutan propelled Evergreen Sporting Club to a facile six wicket win over lowly Public Works Department in the Milnars First Division relegation league...

Sports Reporter Suman, skipper Kallol and stumper Sajjad were the other principal run getters making 24, 23, and 21 respectively. Tutan reaped rich from the slog overs buying three wickets for 35 runs from five overs...

SL make heavy weather

LUCKNOW, Jan 20: Hosts India took control of the first cricket Test after Sri Lanka let slip the advantage of a good start by indisciplined batting here today, reports AFP.

his eighth Test half-century in 25 matches - while young Samaraweera, playing on only his second Test match, made 42. Both openers, however, fell off successive deliveries...

The Test, the first in a series of three, resumes on Saturday after a rest day Friday with Sri Lanka still needing a further 115 runs to avoid follow-on with just three wickets in hand.

other close-in fielders to clear away, comfortably took the catch. Sri Lankan wicketkeeper Pubudu Dassanayake played a defiant knock of 36 before being stumped by Mongia while trying to give Raju the charge.

Zico's disgrace complete

TOKYO, Jan 20: Brazilian World Cup veteran Zico was banned for four matches today for spitting on the ball after a penalty decision went against his side during Sunday's J-League Championship play-off...

starts on March 12. "Zico probably won't play in March at all," the spokesman said. Neither Zico nor his club has the right to appeal the verdict...

Div II cricket

Sports Reporter Spread Eagles and Amarjyoti recorded wins in the two Second Division cricket league matches at different city venues yesterday.

Muslim Institute ensure promotion

Sports Reporter Muslim Institute joined Shantinagar Club in the next year's Star First Division football league when they beat BJMC by a solitary goal...

Basabo Tarun Sangha Div III soccer champs

Sports Reporter Basabo Tarun Sangha won promotion to next season's Second Division football league by outplaying Maghbaraz Kisholaya 3-0 in the Pragati Insurance Third Division football league...



With just two days to go for the Gold Leaf One-day series, between Bangladesh and Pakistan, local cricketers hone themselves up to take on the world champions with the best possible preparation...

Aussies face S Africa today

MELBOURNE, Jan 20: Australian fast bowler Craig McDermott and South African opening batsman Peter Kirsten have overcome injuries and will likely play in Friday's first World Series cricket final at the Melbourne Cricket Ground, reports AP.

Kirsten required surgery for a fractured cheekbone after a Glenn McGrath delivery smashed into his helmet in the one-day match in Perth last Sunday. The medical reports provided a confidence boost to both teams as they into the day-night encounter...

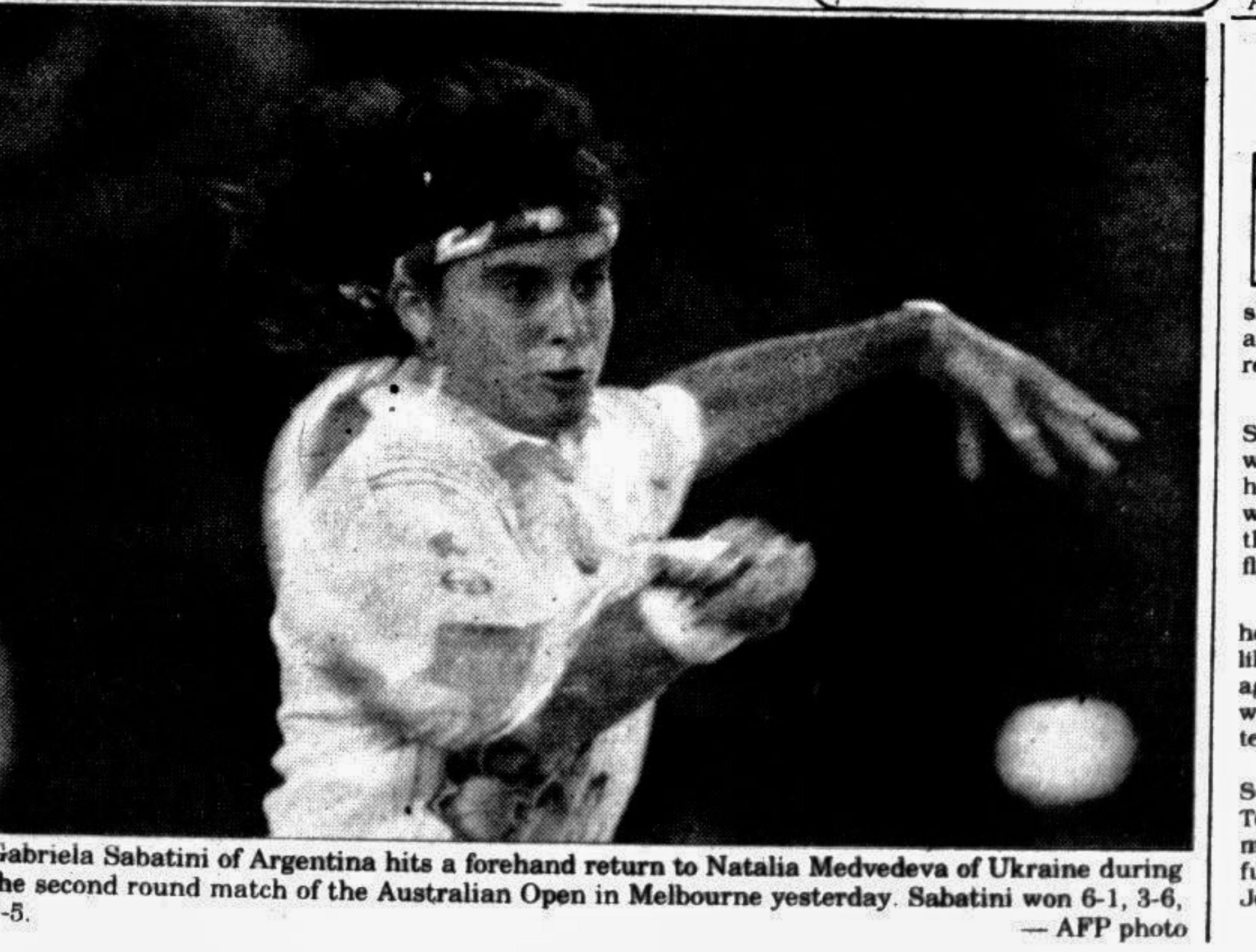
Sabatini survives a scare

MELBOURNE, Jan 20: Gabriela Sabatini wasn't going to let another one get away. The Argentine baseliner - who has a reputation for blowing matches she should have won - kept her nerve Thursday night at the Australian Open to win a difficult second round match against Natalia Medvedeva of Ukraine...

1985 and 1987, recovered from an early slump to beat dangerous Dutch left-hander Jan Siemerink 4-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1, ending matters with an ace. Wilander, who was given a wild card into the event as he continues his comeback after knee surgery...

Suprianto stretched

TOKYO, Jan 20: World champion Joko Suprianto shrugged off a slow start to beat Lee Yong-Sun of South Korea and advance to the third round of the men's singles at the 110,000-dollar Japan Open badminton championship today, reports AFP.



Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina hits a forehand return to Natalia Medvedeva of Ukraine during the second round match of the Australian Open in Melbourne yesterday. Sabatini won 6-1, 3-6, 7-5.

Southampton slump again

LONDON, Jan 20: Southampton's wretched season hit a new low on Tuesday night when they suffered a shock 1-0 defeat at Port Vale in an FA Cup third round replay, reports AFP.

of the League Cup by Third Division Shrewsbury earlier this season, now have only a Premiership relegation struggle ahead of them. The same applies to Swindon. The Premiership's basement club, after their 2-1 defeat at Ipswich...