

14th national youth cricket from Feb 10

Sports Reporter

Zonal matches of the 14th national youth cricket of 1993-94, under the auspices of the Bangladesh Cricket Control Board (BCCB), will begin from February 10, at six different venues around the country.

The names of the 37 participating teams, groups and venues are:

Zone A — Barisal District Association (DSA), Jhalakathi DSA, Bhol DSA, Chittagong DSA, Sunamganj DSA and Munshiganj DSA (Chandpur Stadium)

Zone B — Sherpur DSA, Kishoreganj DSA, Mymensingh DSA, Sylhet DSA, Rangamati DSA, Chandpur DSA and Narayanganj DSA (Sunamganj Stadium)

Zone C — Gopalganj DSA, Pabna DSA, Rajbari DSA, Sirajganj DSA, Jessor DSA and Tangail DSA (Faridpur Stadium)

Zone D — Magura DSA, Satkhira DSA, Khulna DSA, Jenidah DSA, Kushtia DSA and Meherpur DSA (Jessor Stadium)

Zone E — Faridpur DSA, Bogra DSA, Dinajpur DSA, Thakurgaon DSA, Natore DSA, and Nawabganj DSA (Pabna Stadium)

Zone F — Naogaon DSA, Rangpur DSA, Gaibandha DSA, Kurigram DSA, Nilphamari DSA and Rajshahi DSA (Thakurgaon Stadium)

Last year's champions Dhaka DSA and runners up Comilla DSA will play directly in the final round.

Roqibul new BSWA president

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Roqibul Hassan, the former skipper of the Bangladesh national cricket team, was elected the new president of the Bangladesh Sports Writers Association (BSWA) while Mahmud Hossain Khan Dulal retained his post of the general secretary for another term respectively at the organisation's biennial general meeting held at the conference room of the National Sports Council yesterday.

The other 18 members of the newly elected 20-member executive committee are — Ikrumuz-Zaman (senior vice-president), Samail Hoque Khan (vice-president), M Manzur Milky (joint secretary), Kazi Alam Babu (joint secretary, international), Abdus Shukoor (treasurer), Rezaur Rahman Sohag (organising secretary), Hassan Mahmud Babee (office-secretary), Utpal Chanda Shuvra (library secretary).

The members are — Salma Rafiq, Najmul Amin Kiron, Khalrul Islam Shaheen, Mofakkarul Islam Dilkosh, Qamrunnahar Dana, Shamsul Haque Tenku, Tohabin Haque, Abdulla Sayeed, Lutful Haider Sohag, Atauq Haq Mullick.

The election was conducted by Kazi Samuls Islam, Biman Bhattacharya and Talha Ebne Nazrul, and presided over by Abdul Towhid, outgoing BSWA president.

Orient group champs in Div II cricket

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Orient Sporting Club emerged Group A champions when they beat DOHS by 59 runs in one of the three Second Division cricket league matches held at different city venues yesterday.

Batting first on the eastern strip of the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium, Orient made 184 for five wickets with Shahriar and Sohag being their main run-getters with 49 and 34 not out, respectively.

Maher of DOHS took two wickets for 29 runs.

DOHS were all out for 127 with Tareq, Shuvo and Jewel chipping in with scores of 31, 31 not out and 20 respectively.

Minto and Tuhin of Orient proved to be the bane of DOHS batsmen with figures of three for 11 and two for 25.

In another match, held at the Dhaka Stadium, Ajax scored 134 for five wickets with Nabin Sangha.

Dola remained unbeaten on 35 but Rafiq topped for the winners with 38.

Earlier Nabin Sangha collected 130 for nine wickets from their stipulated quota of 40 overs.

Jalal with 35 and Adel, who later captured two Ajax wickets, made 26 for Nabin.

Amarjyoti beat Young Pegasus A by three wickets at the Jagannath Hall cricket ground.

Batting first Pegasus were restricted to 139 for nine with Shiron making 32.

Ahmed engineered Amarjyoti's victory with an excellent knock of 63 not out with his side posting 144 for 7 wickets in 35.5 overs.

12th Nirman Schools tourney on

Arab Mission, Pallabi win

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Arab Mission Public School and Pallabi Model School careered to comfortable wins yesterday, the second day of the 12th Nirman Schools cricket at the different city venues.

At the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium, powered by Sakib's half century and effective bowling by Pauline, Arab Mission outclassed Graduate High School by 113 runs.

Arab Mission bated first and piled up 213 for seven wickets with the bulk of the runs coming from Sakib and Farhad's bats.

Sakib made 79 while Farhad helped himself to another 31 runs.

Graduate's Mir Noor bowled lion-heartedly capturing four of the seven Arab wickets at a cost of 40 runs.

Pitted against a monumental challenge of 214 for a win form the possible 31 overs since day's first innings could be stretched upto that number of overs because of a delayed start, Graduate limped to 100 for nine wickets.

Asif and Nasir were the major run-getters for the losers with 20 and 15 respectively.

Although the generous Arab Mission bowlers and fielders gave away 25 extras, Pauline helped his side in putting pressures on the Graduate batsmen with figures of three for 16.

In a match of preposterous abundance of extras Pallabi Majedul Islam Model High School beat Segun Bagicha

Partex b'ball

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Kurmitola Appolo Club defeated Backstroke Boys Club 66-62 in a keenly contested match of the Partex First Division basketball league at the Outer Stadium wooden floor gymnasium yesterday.

In another encounter, the Gregs Club outplayed Fleet Club 97-60.

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The first goal for Press came

from Murad in the very first

minute. Then Abul Kashem equalised in the 34th minute for

Press.

Habib grabbed the winner in

the 40th minute.

Earlier, Basab Tarun

Sangha confirmed their promotion

to the Second Division as

they became champions in this

year's Third Division league.

Both Government Printing

Press and Sunrise SC earned

ten points from their respective

seven super league outings.

The play off was held to de-

cide the runners up position.

Sher-e-Bangla Cup soccer results

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Bangladesh Ansars moved into the final of the Sheba zone of the 18th Sher-e-Bangla Cup national football tournament when they beat Bangladesh Navy 1-0 at Munshiganj yesterday.

Shah Alam scored the match decider in the 20th minute.

Earlier, Bangladesh Army defeated Bangladesh Police 3-2 in the tie-breaker on Thursday.

The match ended goalless after 120 minutes of play.

Army play Customs and

Excise in the semifinal today.

Besides, in another match held on Thursday, Munshiganj advanced to the Rabbari zone final beating Dhaka 4-2 in the tie-breaker.

The normal and the extra time of the game ended 0-0.

Munshiganj will take on

Narayanganj in the zonal final 17.

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