

# 3 substitutions allowed

ZURICH, Mar 5: Teams will be allowed to use three substitutes in the World Cup finals following changes to the laws of soccer agreed by FIFA and the International Board on Saturday, reports Reuter.

The main stipulation of the new ruling is that one of the substitutes must be a goalkeeper who can only be used to replace the goalkeeper already on the field.

Up to now only two substitutes have been allowed.

The board agreed to continue with the present ruling under law three which allows a goalkeeper who is sent off to be replaced by the substitute goalkeeper, ostensibly the replacement for an outfield player.

But there were no changes made to Law 11 — the offside law. Instead, following submissions from both the English and Scottish Football Associations, a working party will be established to study the effects the new backpass law is having on the interpretation of offside.

Any proposals by the working party will be considered at the International Board's next annual meeting with FIFA in Glasgow in March 1995.

Referees at the World Cup will also be able to act on a special FIFA instruction to automatically send off any player who tackles from behind.

FIFA's general secretary Sepp Blatter said: "This is one of the most important steps forward for the future of football. There was unanimous agreement today about this and the only reason it is not already law is because of a technicality."

"But it will become law in due course and every World Cup referee will be empowered to send off offenders this summer."

The law-making International Board, which comprises the four British associations

plus representatives from FIFA also considered a number of other changes to the game.

The experiment with kick-ins replacing throw-ins is to continue and will be examined in more depth over the length of a season, probably using a senior non-professional league in Britain.

So far the experiment has been limited to youth competitions.

FIFA has also become increasingly alarmed by the recent spate of injuries caused to players through the use of elbows and reckless play and will be circulating clubs, players and officials warning against this trend.



Although no decisions were taken on Saturday, an International Board sub-committee will look at revising the law to make physical challenges using arms and elbows illegal even if there was no intent to injure.

The authorities are considering revising law four which deals with footwear and FIFA may reimpose limits regarding the length of studs and the number of studs allowed on a boot.

Following a proposal by the Scottish FA a designated technical area around the dugout will be clearly defined at major championship and international matches.

The area will extend one metre on either side of the designated seating area and up to a metre away from the

touchline in which the coach will be allowed to stand and give instructions to his team.

There was no change to the five players allowed on the bench from which the substitutes can be chosen, although during the World Cup finals that number will be increased to 11.

English FA chief executive Graham Kelly said he was not totally satisfied with the decision.

"Both the English and Scottish FA's argued against the idea of a goalkeeper who has been sent off being replaced by a substitute goalie. We felt this went against the spirit of the law but we were defeated."

"My argument is that a goalkeeper would think twice about committing an offence if he knew there was no substitute goalie to replace him."

The other major discussion point involved the proposed changes to the offside law.

Jim Farry, chief executive of the Scottish FA said the Board decided not to discuss any changes to the offside law now but would look again at "One of the shortest-worded but most contentious and complex laws of the game in a year's time."

"The law needs clarification on a worldwide scale because there is a general lack of awareness about the interpretation of the law."

"The passback law means a change might be needed in the way the law is interpreted and we need more time to study its effects. It is still not an offence to be in an offside position as such but the interpretation is changing."

International Board decisions normally come into force on July 1, but as that date falls in the middle of the World Cup the new rulings, applicable to all levels of soccer, will take effect from immediately before the tournament starts on June 17.

## Kasparov, Karpov match draw

LINARES, Spain, Mar 5: Russian Grandmasters Garri Kasparov and Anatoly Karpov drew in their seventh-round match at the Linares International Chess tournament Friday — the 163rd time they have met in competition, reports AFP.

Karpov, the official FIDE world champion, stays one-point clear of Kasparov in the tournament, but still trails in their overall meetings. Over the last decade Kasparov has beaten Karpov 27 times while Karpov has recorded 20 wins over Kasparov.

Kasparov, who played with the white pieces, has 5.5 points from seven games, against Karpov's 6.5.

FIDE stripped Kasparov of his world title last year when he refused to comply with the world organisation's conditions for staging the World Championship, and Karpov won back the title — which he lost to Kasparov in 1985 — in a rescheduled final against another opponent.

The eighth round of the 13-round tournament starts today. Brief results after seventh round:

Evgeny Bareev, Russia, and Alexander Beliavsky, Ukraine, adjourned after 61 moves.

Joel Lautier, France, drew with Boris Gelfand, Belarus, in 35 moves.

Miguel Illescas, Spain, lost to Anand Viswanathan, India, in 40 moves.

Garri Kasparov, Russia, drew with Anatoly Karpov, Russia, in 41 moves.

Vassily Ivanchuk, Ukraine, drew with Gata Kamsky, United States, in 34 moves.

Vaselin Topalov, Bulgaria, defeated Vladimir Kramnik, Russia, in 39 moves.

Judit Polgar, Hungary, lost to Alexei Shirov, Latvia, in 48 moves.

### STANDINGS

Anatoly Karpov, Russia, 6.5  
Garri Kasparov, Russia, 5.5  
Gata Kamsky, United States, 4.5  
Anand Viswanathan, India, 4.5  
Alexei Shirov, Latvia, 4.5  
Vladimir Kramnik, Russia, 4.0  
Joel Lautier, France, 3.5  
Boris Gelfand, Belarus, 3.5  
Vaselin Topalov, Bulgaria, 3.0  
Evgeny Bareev, Russia, 2.5 (adjourned game to complete)  
Judit Polgar, Hungary, 2.0  
Alexander Beliavsky, Ukraine, 1.5 (adjourned game to complete)  
Vassily Ivanchuk, Ukraine, 1.5  
Miguel Illescas, Spain, 1.0.

## Bonanza awaits US booters

CHICAGO, Illinois, Mar 5: A bonus system being considered for US World Cup football players could mean a million-dollar payoff if the hosts pull off a stunner and win this year's 24-team finals, reports AFP.

The US Soccer Federation is considering a bonus system with small rewards for making the final 22-man roster and big awards possible if the team succeeds.

A plan would give each player 10,000 dollars for making the squad, with another 5,000 dollars awarded to starters and 2,500 dollars given to substitutes. Players would also earn 2,500 dollars per point earned by the team in first-round play.

Team bonuses also being considered include 750,000 for reaching the second round, 800,000 dollars for a third-round showing, 850,000 dollars for making the semifinals, 900,000 dollars for reaching the title match and one million dollars for taking the championship.

"We want to place as much emphasis on performance in the opening round as possible," USSF secretary general Hank Steinbrecher said. "The idea is to get to the second round. The incentive should be for points."

The top salary under contract to the US national team is 78,000 dollars, while players on teams in other nations can make up to 300,000 dollars.

Money for bonus payouts would come from sponsors, Steinbrecher said. The USSF has 24 sponsors now compared to only one in 1990.

Player agent Lichg Steinberg said several players want higher bonus payments for making the US roster, and they want the money from FIFA funds coming to the USSF.

"We want a significantly different structure of payments based much more on what other countries pay for making the roster," he said. "To base bonuses primarily on advancing to the next round ignores the fact FIFA's contribution to the USSF for the World Cup is not based on that. The USSF gets paid regardless."

## Jadukar Samad football Sports Reporter

Ganoktuly Kishore Eleven and Dhaka Mohanagar Kishore Football Training split points when they drew goalless in the Jadukar Samad juvenile football tournament at the Outer Stadium yesterday.



Russian Grandmasters Garri Kasparov (L) and Anatoly Karpov (R) shake hands prior to the start of the seventh round match of the XII Linares chess tournament in Linares, Spain on March 4.

## Stars on a collision course



INDIAN WELLS, Calif., Mar 5: Pete Sampras and Stefan Edberg each won in straight sets Friday to set up a semifinals showdown in the Champions Cup, reports AP.

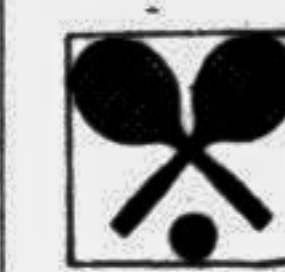
The top-seeded Sampras had 11 aces in a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Thomas Muster of Austria. The third-seeded Edberg, from Sweden, beat Daren Cahill of Australia, 6-4, 6-3.

In Saturday's other semifinal, Petr Korda of the Czech Republic will face the winner of Friday night's quarterfinal match between Alexander Volkov of Russia and American Aaron Krickstein. Korda, seeded 10th, beat Carlos Costa of Spain, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

Sampras lost only five points on his service in the opening set against Muster. Sampras won 16-of-17 points at one stretch spanning the two sets.

Muster broke Sampras' serve for the first time in the fourth game of the second set.

## Graf hacks Hack to be in semis



DELRAY BEACH, Fla., Mar 5: Top-seeded Steffi Graf showed no mercy on countrywoman Sabine Hack on her way to a 6-2, 6-1 quarterfinal victory Friday night at the Virginia Slims of Florida, reports AP.

Graf, the two-time defending champion, will play Helena Sukova, the fifth seed from the Czech Republic, in one semifinal. The 6-foot-2 (1.87-metre) serve-and-volleyer shocked third-seeded Gabriela Sabatini, 6-4, 6-4.

The other semifinal pits second-seeded Arantxa Sanchez Vicario against 14th-seeded Chanda Rubin of Lafayette, La. Rubin surprised ninth-seed Natalia Medvedeva of Ukraine, 6-4, 6-0.

Sanchez Vicario took advantage of 40 unforced errors by 16th-seeded Stephanie Rottier

but Sampras came right back to break the Austrian's serve and go up 4-1.

Sampras closed the match with an ace clocked at 117 mph (187 kph).

"I got in the rhythm and he had a hard time returning," Sampras said. "Once I get the points started, I can control the (match) and keep the ball deep. I wanted to make the points as short as possible."

Sampras said he expects a tough match against Edberg.

"Stefan is coming in here pretty confident. We play similar serve-and-volley games. It's going to be a matter of returning well and staying on his serve," Sampras said. "The difference will be one or two points."

"Our match will be close. He wants to get back on top."

Edberg won just one tournament last year, but has been sharp at Indian Wells this week, allowing only two break points in his three matches. He dominated Cahill with his serve-and-volley.

"I'm going to get a tough match now," Edberg said of his

date with Sampras. "But I'm feeling good, and if I win, that's great. If we both play well, it'll be a good match and you'll see really good tennis."

Sampras, 22, is ranked No 1 in the world and Edberg, 28, is a former No 1 who currently is ranked fourth.

"I think there's more pressure on him, being No 1," Edberg said. "But there will be pressure on me, too. I'm more hungry now, more than in quite some time."

Muster, who admits he is more comfortable on slower surfaces, said he was simply overwhelmed by Sampras.

"I have no idea how to beat him," Muster said. "When he is hitting the lines with his first serve and it is going 120 mph (200 kph), you just have to guess. Maybe if I were born again a foot (30 cm) taller and with long arms, I could beat him."

Cahill this week had beaten 11th-seeded Marc Rosset of Switzerland and fifth-seeded Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia before falling to Edberg.

In another third-round action, Frenchman Jean-Philippe Fleurian dominated local star Kenneth Carlsen of Denmark, whom he ousted 6-3, 6-4.

In the last of four games, Germany's Patrick Baur challenged fourth-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia.

## Swimming against the tide

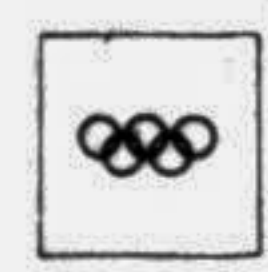
RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar 5: Beach-worshipping Brazilians were claiming a first on Friday after the opening day of what they claim to be the first international swimming event held on the sand passed off normally, reports Reuter.

"This is unique anywhere in the world" said Brazilian Swimming Confederation (CBDA) spokesman Roberto Garofalo.

The Brazil Swimming Cup, which features top swimmers such as Russia's Alexander Popov, is being held in a temporary pool built on the sand of Copacabana beach in less than two weeks.

"I was surprised at the way she played," Sabatini said.

## Golf's road to Games thorny



KUALA LUMPUR, Mar 5: Environmental activists fighting to ensure golf is not included in the Sydney Olympics in 2000 today sent the first batch of written protests to the International Olympic Committee (IOC), reports Reuter.

Five hundred signatures against the proposed inclusion of golf in the Games were sent to IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch by the Global Anti-Golf Movement (GAGM).

The Malaysian chapter of friends of the earth (SAM) environment group is coordinating the worldwide signature campaign, which was launched last December following moves by the IOC to make golf an

### Olympic event.

"Since we started compiling information on problems related to golf courses and resorts, we have been shocked by the scale of the devastation," said GAGM coordinator Gen Morita.

"To make golf an Olympic sport would amount to the IOC endorsing an activity which destroys the environment and brings suffering to local people," he said in a statement.

He said that in a separate letter to Samaranch, the group had highlighted cases where the building of golf courses had polluted water and created water shortages, evicted local communities and encouraged "Dubious land speculation."

The GAGM was founded by the Japan-based global network for anti-golf course action, the Asia-Pacific people's environment network and Britain's Institute of Tourism and Development Studies at Bedford College of Higher Education.

Morita said Indonesia temporarily banned new golf courses after students, environmentalists and farmers protested against the conversion of agricultural land into a golf course in West Java.

"In Thailand, which has a severe water shortage, public opinion has turned against golf courses due to the huge quantities of water needed to maintain the lush greens and artificial water bodies," he said.

... Malaysia declared last

December that there were far too many golf courses in the country and said it would no longer compromise on the stringent regulations governing them."

Morita said that according to surveys, 80 per cent of South Koreans were opposed to the boom in golf courses in the country and that 36 citizens' groups had petitioned for a halt in the construction of new courses.

"Due to the negative social and environmental impacts caused by excessive application of chemicals in golf courses, many prefectural governments in Japan have been forced to declare a moratorium on such development," he said.

He said a golf course project in Hong Kong, designed by Gary Player, was shelved after environmental groups challenged the developers in court because the course encroached on an important watershed area reserved as parkland.

Malaysia's SAM chairman S M Mohammad Idris said: "The arrogant lifestyles of rich local golfers and foreign golf tourists often clashes with traditional cultures and disrupts community life."

Mohammad, who is also coordinator of the Asia-Pacific peoples' environment network, said the rapid commercialisation of sports, particularly golf, in developing countries was creating a "further gap between the rich and poor."

## SOCOG's man-hunt

SYDNEY, Mar 5: Hunt for the person to coordinate the planning for the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games began here today with advertisements placed in the National Press, report AFP.

Calling for a "true internationalist, both by interest and experience," the Sydney Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (SOCOG) has cast its net for a chief executive officer to lead the organisation.

Applications for the job, which carries an unspecified remuneration package, close on March 25.

SOCOG said in the advertisement that at the peak of preparations for the turn-of-the-century Games, more than 50,000 people will be employed with a project budget of 1.5 billion dollars (1.05 billion US).

The job calls for a candidate who has had significant capital project involvement and is accustomed to a high profile role with significant media exposure and experience in dealing with government regulatory authorities.

The advertisement said the prospective CEO will have to co-ordinate a "complex matrix" of relationships with the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC), other national and international sporting federations and the federal and state governments.

Gary Pemberton, chairman of Australia's Qantas Airline, was appointed last October as chairman of SOCOG at an annual fee of 100,000 dollars (70,000 US).

Board members, who will receive 50,000 dollars (35,000 US) annually include billionaire Australian businessman Kerry Packer and former New South Wales Premier Nick Greiner.

Others on the board are Sydney bid team chief executive Rod McGeoch, who recently returned to legal practice, Australia's IOC representatives, Kevan Gosper and Phil Coles, Sydney Lord Mayor Frank Sartor and New South Wales International Sports Council chairman Graham Lovett.

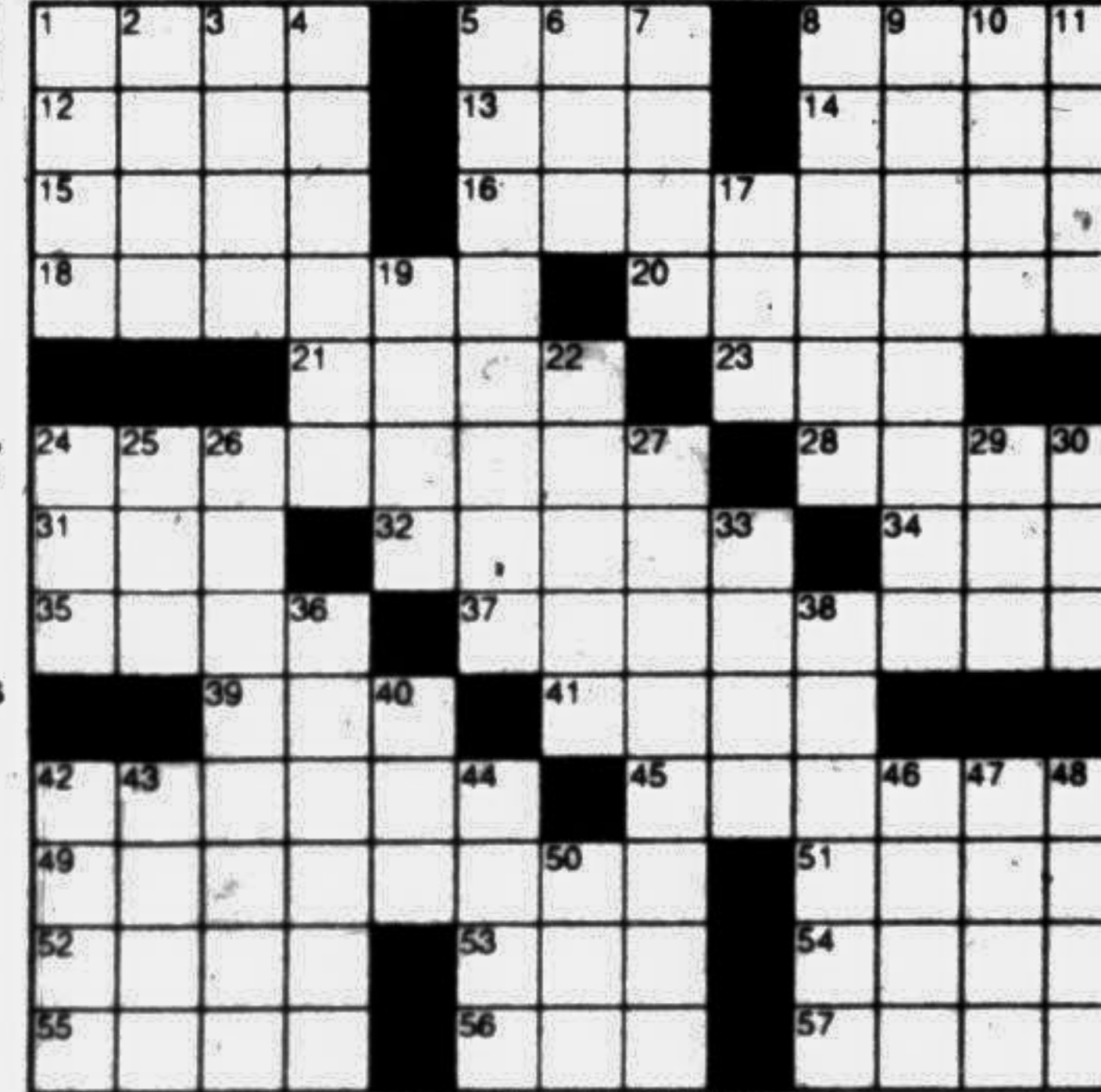


Action from yesterday's Jadukar Samad juvenile football tournament match between Ganakutuly Club and Dhaka Kishore Football Training Centre at the Outer Stadium. The match ended in a goalless draw.

— Star photo

## CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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### CRYPTOQUIP

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N W P T D Q R N P O V C D V H  
N X R D U Q G Q G T R U R T O T :  
Q W P G L D E G N D

Saturday's Cryptoquip: I ESCORTED A SLY COMEDIAN TO THE PARTY, BUT HE BEAT ME TO THE PUNCH LINE.  
Today's Cryptoquip clue: C equals G

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.