Champions'

Trophy results

on the second day of the 16th

Champions' Trophy men's

hockey tournament on Friday,

re ports Reuter.

Scorers:

Elmer (19th).

3-2 (halftime 3-1)

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halftime 1-0)

Scorers:

LAHORE, Mar 18: Results

Australia beat Netherlands

Australia - Jay Tracy (7th

Netherlands - Taco van

Pakistan beat Spain 3-1

Pakistan — Kamran Ashraf

Spain — Pablo Garcia (40th)

Standings (tabulate under

STANDINGS

played, won, lost drawn, goals

Athens gets

the nod

ZURICH, Switzerland, Mar

18: This year's European Cup

final will be staged at the

Olympic Stadium in Athens,

the European Football Union

(UEFA) said on Friday, reports

The match, to be played on

May 18, will go back to Greece

for the first time since German

Club Hamburg SV beat

Juventus of Italy in the 1983

The Cup Winners' Cup final

on May 4 has been awarded to

the Parken Stadium in

Copenhagen. It will be the first

major European final to take

A UEFA spokesman said

London's Wembley Stadium

had been named as a possible

alternative for the European

Cup final and the Anoeta

ground in San Sebastian.

Spain, as a reserve for the Cup

Parma paired

with Benfica

place on Denmark.

Winners' Cup.

for, against, points):

(11th), Tahir Zaman (56th),

Mohammad Shahbaz(67th)

and 35th minutes). Lachlan

Den Honert (2nd), Floris



German players Andras Becker (R) and Sven Meinhardt (C) struggle for the ball with Australia's Lachlan Elmer during their opening match in the champions Trophy hockey - AFP photo

tournament in Lahore on March 17. Australia, holders of the trophy lost 2-1. The goal that was not a goal



ngly to the disputed-but-disa-

llowed goal against Germany three minutes before the end of the second match Thursday in the 16th Champions Trophy hockey tournament, giving Germany a 2-1 victory, reports

"I thought it was a goal but I shall have to look at the tape to form a true opinion." the coach

The controversy flared after a shot from a short corner by Jay Stacy came back into play off the umpire's body. David Wansbrough, the Australian inside right, rushed in to score and the Pakistani umpire awarded a goal.

But shortly before the ball entered the net he had blown the whistle, and the Germans immediately surrounded him arguing that once he had blown the whistle the ball became dead.

The umpires went into consultations and the team was

Mar 18: How tea-

ms fared in the

draw for Asia's

two regional club

tournaments wh-

ich took place here Thursday.

JAPAN: Club champions

Yomiuri Verdy are seeded

fourth in the club champi-

onships and start in the sec-

ond round where they meet

the winners of the South East

Asian group featuring Brunei,

Macau and The Philippines or

Hong Kong. In the Cup

Winners Cup Japan are first

seeds and start in the quarter-

final with a match against ei-

ther Hong Kong's Eastern or

the winner of the South Asia

group featuring India, Maldives

he club championship and

start in the second round

where they will meet the win-

ner of the match between

Thailand 2. Thailand's league

champions and the second-

placed team from A Group

made up of India, Pakistan,

champions Ilhwa Chunma

meet the league champions of

Malaysia in the first round.

HONG KONG: In the cham-

pionship. Hong Kong's league

champions in the first round

olly the winner of the South

East Asian groups. Brunei.

Macau and The Philippines. In

the Cup Winners Cup, Eas-

tern's first match is in the

second round against the win-

ner of the South Aman group,

India, Pakistan and The

club champions Thai Farmers

qualify automatically and start

THAILAND: Defending Asian

SOUTH KOREA: League

Maldives and Shri Lanka.

likely to be Kedah.

Maldives.

CHINA: Seeded second in

reports AFP.

and Pakistan.

LAHORE, Mar 18: awarded another short corner Australian hockey instead of a goal. "We were coach Frank Mu- naturally disappointed," the rray reacted stro- Australian captain Warren Birmingham added.

Murray, however, was satisfled with his team's performance. "It was our first international match since last September when we played Germany in Hamburg," he said.

Paul Lissek, the German coach, said he was satisfied with the performance of the German team that had just come out of its indoor season. As for the controversy he said: "I think the ultimate decision was the right one. You just cannot award a goal off a dead

Australia and Germany met in the final of the previous tournament in Kuala Lumpur last July when the Australians won 4-0.

Pakistan, who are hoping to win the Champions Trophy for the first time since 1980, were happy with the result after beating Great Britain 4-1 but manager Zakiuddin said he was not altogether satisfied with the performance.

in the second round where

they play the winner of South

Asia group, India, Pakistan,

Shri Lanka and The Maldives.

seeded fourth, go straight into

the second round where they

play the winner or Ilhwa

Chunma against the Malaysian

league champions. In the Cup

Winners Cup, Indonesia are

seeded second and in the sec-

ond round will meet the win-

ner of Malaysia and Brunei's

championships, the Malaysian

side - likely to be Kedah -

will play South Korean league

champions Ilhwa Chunma in

the first round. In the Cup

Winners Cup the Malaysia team

will play Brunei's Majlis Sukan

championships Kota Rangers

will play in a special South

East group will Macau and The

Philippines. In the Cup

Winners Cup. Majlis Sukan will

play the Malaysian cup cham-

Philippines will play a special

tournament to decide the one

place the region has in the

the Asian Club Championships

and qualify through to the sec-

ond round where they will

meet the winner of the CIS

pool of five teams. In the Cup

Winners Cup Iran are second

seeds and qualify through to

the second round where again

they will meet the winner of

league champions will meet

Qatar's top club side in the

first round of the Asian Club

Championships. In the Asian

cup Winners Cup Qatar is

KUWAIT: Kuwait's national

the CIS pool of five teams.

Asian Club championships.

Brunel, Macau and The

IRAN: Iran are first seeds in

pions in the first round.

BRUNEI: In the Asian club

MALAYSIA: In the Asian club

Mailis Sukan

in the first round.

INDONESIA: Indonesia.

"Our defence made mis-*takes and our corners were very untidy," he said.

Pakistan were awarded nine short corners but only one was converted and that was indi-

He admitted that Britain missed their game after they had reduced the lead to 2-1 and were unfortunate not to have scored. "It was only in the last few

minutes that our position was made secure with the last two goals," he said.

Xavier Arno, the Spanish wing forward, was a happy man after scoring all four goals in a 4-4 draw with the Nether-

Juan Garcia Marurino, the Spanish captain, was delighted with his team's performance. "Previously we used to play defensively but now we have

changed our policy by concentrating on attack," he said. Dutch coach Roelants Oltman expressed his disappointment: "We should have consolidated our position

seeded fourth and in the sec-

Kuwait against Oman.

ond round meets the winner of

fourth in the Asian Club

Championships and in the sec-

ond round meet the winner of

Kuwait against Qatar. In the

Asian Cup Winners Cup Oman

in the Asian Club Champion-

ships and in the second round

meet the winner of Bahrain

against Yemen. In the Asian

Cup Winners Cup UAE are also

seeded third and play the

winner of Jordan against

Yemen in the first round of the

Asian Club Championships and

in the Asian Cup Winners Cup

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YEMEN: Yemen play Bah-

rain in the first round of the

Asian Club Championships and

in the Asian Cup Winners Cup

also play Bahrain, again in the

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pions in the fist round of the

Asian Club Championships and

in the first round of the Asian

Cup Winners Cup also face

league champion in the first

round of the Asian Club

Championships play Lebanon

and again in the first round of

the Asian Cup Winners also

are seeded second in the Asian

Club Championships and play

the winner of Jordan and

Lebanon in the second round.

In the Asian Cup Winners Cup

Saudi are first seeds and play

the winners of Bahrain against

SAUDI ARABIA: Saudi Arabia

JORDAN: Jordan's national

LEBANON: Lebanon play

BAHRAIN: Bahrain play

Lebanon.

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play Lebanon.

Yemen.

UAE: UAE are seeded third

play Kuwait in the first round.

OMAN: Oman are seeded

GENEVA, Mar 18: Parma of when we were 3-1 up but we become lazy at the back and paid a heavy price.

Italy, attempting to become the first club in the history of the European Cup Winners Cup to retain the trophy, were paired with Benfica of Portugal when the semifinal draw was made on Friday, reports Reuter.

The other semifinal will be between Arsenal of England and Paris St Germain, whose officials were visibly delighted they had avoided being paired with Parma.

In the UEFA Cup, Internazionale of Milan and Cagliari will meet each other in an all-Italian semifinal while Germany's Karlsruhe will play Austria Salzburg, who knocked Germans Eintrancht Frankfurt out in the quarter-finals.

The first leg of the semis of both competitions will be played on March 29 or 30 and the return legs on April 12 or

Parma president Giorgio Pedraneschi flatteringly compared Benfica to the club's great side of thirty years ago which won the Champions Cup twice in the early 1960s.

And he predicted a tough tie against the Portuguese, but added. "Our current team is good enough to beat whoever it

plays." French league leaders Paris St Germain, unbeaten since last August, had been hoping to avoid Parma and to play the second leg of an eventual final

at home. They did not get their second wish but managed to avoid the strong Italians. "We are at least half satisfied," grinned sporting director Jean-Michel Moutier.

Arsenal, bioding to reach the final of the competition for the first time since losing the 1980s final to Valencia of Spain on penalties, appeared equally satisfied with the draw. Managing director Ken Friar said: "The good thing is they seem as concerned about meeting an English side as we are about meeting them."

In the UEFA Cup, officials from Germany's Karlsruhe punched the air in delight after UEFA president Lennart Johansson drew them against Austria Salzburg. "This is the ideal situation

for us," said Karlsruhe marketmanager Reinhardt Kuehner. "First of all we wanted to play Salzburg, then we wanted to play the second game of the final at home. That is what we got."

But the two Italian teams still in the UEFA Cup were less happy at being draw against each other.

"It's an enormous stroke of bad luck. We would have preferred Salzburg," said Cagliari president Massimo Cellino.

It is the second successive round in which Cagliari have drawn italian opposition, foilowing their victory over last year's UEFA Cup winners Juventus in the quarter-finals.

"I'm unhappy for two reasons," added Inter Milan vicpresident Giorgio Abbiezi.



Australian schoolgirl Rebecca Brown, 16, shows off her gold medal after winning the women's 200 metres breaststroke and shattering the world record at the Australian - AFP photo swimming championships in Brisbane on March 16.

Graf keeps Davenport at bay

breaker, double-faulting at 6-5.



KEY BISCAYNE, Mar 18: Steffi Graf nearly lost a set Thursday. Lindsay

Davenport briefly challenged Graf's dominance of the women's tour, but the top-ranked German fought off two set points and won 6-0, 7-6(7-3) in the semifinals at the Lipton Championships, reports

These days Graf rarely loses a game, much less a set. She has won every set in her 27 matches this year, the longest such streak in at least a decade.

"I'm not worried about losing a set," she said. "It was good to be pushed and to know that I played well when it counted.

Davenport, a 17-year-old high school senior from Murrieta, Calif, had to settle for giving Graf a brief scare. Graf had lost only nine games in four previous matches at Lipton, and the tie-breaker was her first this year. "It's not a very big consola-

tion," Davenport said. "I'm pretty disappointed I had that second set and let it slip

In the men's quarterfinals, Andre Agassi overcame four consecutive set points and beat second-seeded Stefan Edberg 7-6, (9-7), 6-2. Edberg squandered a 6-2 lead in the tie-

"If I had won the first set, I think the outcome in the second set would have been totally different," Edberg said.

On Friday, Agassi will play Australia's Patrick Rafter, who advanced by beating Jim Grabb 1-6, 6-4, 6-1. The match turned after Grabb sprained his right ankle in the second set.

Top-ranked defending champion Pete Sampras will play Jim Courier in the other Graf's opponent in the

women's final Saturday will be Natalia Zvereva, who advanced by beating Brenda Schultz 6-0, 6-4. Graf, seeking her fifth tournament title this year and her first Lipton Championship since 1988, is 13-0 lifetime against Zvereva. Against Davenport, Graf

faced only her third set point of the year serving at 3-5, 30-40 in the second set. Graf responded with a clean forehand winner and then took Davenport had another set

point serving at 5-4, 40-30, but hit a forehand long. Graf won that game as well. Graf started the tie-breaker

with an ace, took a 6-1 lead and clinched her 31st consecutive victory when Davenport hit a backhand long.

The opening set offered no indication that the 13thranked Davenport would offer

Graf needed two shots to win the first point, and two to win the second. Then came an ace, and then a service winner for game.

She won 14 of the first 15 points and took the set in 19 minutes. Then, the Californian steadied herself. She won one game and then another for a 2-0 lead.

"Suddenly in the second set, she started playing much better and then I started to make the mistakes." Graf said. "But when it counted, I was able to get back on."

Graf acknowledged that Davenport may be tougher to beat next time.

"She has the game that, if she continues to work on it, could give me trouble," Graf said. "She has the height, the aggressive game she needs and she's only 17. She has room for development and knows what she needs to do to get better.

Davenport, in turn, gave Graf a rave review

"She's unbelievably fast," she said. "You hit a good ball, and you're not assured the point is over because she can still get it back. I was maybe a little shocked by her serves; it is so hard to break her, The forehand, the slice backhand everything about her is pretty awesome.

Bruno stops Ferguson in no time

BIRMINGHAM, England Mar 18: Franck Bruno, vying for a fourth shot at a world heavyweight title, beat up a punchless Jesse Ferguson Wednesday night, stopping the American in the first round, reports AP.

Ferguson, who turns 37 in four days, offered little resistance as his opponent pounded away from the opening bell. Bruno, who lost to World Boxing Council champ Lennox Lewis last October, floored Ferguson twice with repeated overhand rights to the side and top of the head.

A knot developed around Ferguson's left eye, and the referee stopped the fight after two minutes, 22 seconds.

"I was glad to get that out of the way," said Bruno, who had said he would retire if he lost. "I was delighted as a lot of people thought it would go to round six or seven, but I played it cool."

The turnout of 3,000 at the National Exhibition Centre was disappointing for the man considered the boxing darling of the British public. Many in the crowd whistled disapprovingly at the mismatch.

"I was stung by the criticism but I thought I produced an excellent performance," Bruno said. "I beat a really tough guy in quick time. If I win in one round, four rounds, six rounds or eight rounds, I'll still get criticized."

Bruno, 37-4 with 36 knockouts, won inside the first round for the 12th time in his career. The 32-year-old Briton, who has lost world title bouts to Tim Witherspoon and Mike Tyson, may now challenge the winner of Saturday night's World Boxing Organization title bout in London between holder Michael Bentt and Herbie Hide.

There will now be questions about the future plans of Ferguson, who had also hinted at ending his career in the ring if he was defeated. The American, who lost to Riddick Bowe in a title challenge last year, lost for the 12th time in 32 fights.

Price leads

SINTRA, Portugal, Mar 18: Phillip Price fired a career low 7-under-par 64 Thursday and took a one-shot lead after the first round of the Portuguese Open, reports AP. Constantino Rocca of Italy

was second, followed by Mike Clayton of Australia and Paul Eales of England at 66. Price, caught in an early

season slump that has limited his winnings to dlrs 9,000 in seven PGA European Tour events, said a putting lesson before leaving for Portugal apparently paid off. "He (the instructor) made

me keep my right arm close to my body on impact," said Price. "It worked wonders because while I've played well this year, my putting has been atrocious." The Welshman knocked in

an 8-foot (2.4-metre) putt for birdie on the 16th, holed a bunker shot from 30-feet on the par-3 17th, and pitched to 10-feet (3 meters) on the par-5 18th and sank the putt. Price also closed the front

nine with three straight birdies and an outward threeunder-par 32 after he rolled in a 30-foot (9-metre) putt on the ninth hole at the new. par-71, 6,865-yard (6,277-metre) Penha Longa Golf Club.

Indonesians hold the show



BIRMINGHAM. England, Mar 18: Defending champion Heryanto Arbi stepped up

the pace on Thursday to sweep into the semifinals of the All-England badminton championships, reports Reuter.

Indonesias Arbi brushed aside Malaysian Rashid Sidek 15-1, 15-5 in a one-sided quarter-final.

Another Indonesian, top seed Ardy Wiranata, also made it to the last four with a typically fighting 14-18, 15-4, 15-4 success over former teammate Fung Permadi, who now

plays as an Australian.

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nesian spree when he put paid to leading European Thomas Stuer-Lauridsen of Denmark 15-12, 14-18, 15-7. Arbi, seeded second, sur-

vived a scare earlier on Thursday in the third round his stride in the second game, when he dropped the opening game to useful South Korean Kim Hak-Kyun. But he fought back well to

claim his place in the last four and against Sidek took up where he had left off against Kim with some aggressive and confident smashing down the

After a shaky start to his title defence. Arbi, without the pressure of being top seeded, has improved all week and has a fine chance of retaining his

Wiranata, All-England title

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silver medalist in Barcelona, was made to suffer early on by an agile-looking Permadi in their quarter-final. But once Wiranata got into

winner in 1991 and Olympic

he quickly went 8-2 clear. The Indonesian soon claimed the game and then raced to a 7-0 advantage in the third, setting Permadi an impossible task. Stuer-Lauridsen was seeded joint third but Susanto, at joint

fifth, is always a dangerous opponent as the dance discovered again. Although Stuer-Lauridsen won the second game in a 30-

minute war of attrition, he did not have enough stamina left following a tough' three-game affair earlier in the day against South Korea's Park Sung-Woo.

CRYPTOQUIP

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IDIEFRHU. Yesterday's Cryptoquip: SLEEPY PEOPLE GATH-ERED TOGETHER FOR DROOP THERAPY.

Today's Cryptoquip clue: J equals B 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.

