

Mohammedans not taking part?

DMFA Cup Round 2 from today



The second round of the third DMFA Cup football tournament begins today amidst utter chaos and confusion with holders Mohammedan Sporting locked in a raging row with organisers Dhaka Metropolitan Football Association (DMFA). Brothers Union take on Victoria Sporting Club in the first match scheduled for a 5 pm start while last year's runners-up Abahani Krira Chakra take on unfancied Farashganj in day's second encounter from 7 pm at the Dhaka Stadium.



Samir Shakir (C), a member of the 1986 Iraqi World Cup team, arrived in Dhaka yesterday to coach Abahani Krira Chakra for the 1994 football season. The much reduced defender had been associated with Abahani as a coach-cum-player in 1987. He is flanked by (L-R) Kazi Anwar, Ashrafuddin Ahmed, Shafiqul Arefin and Md Gaffar — all former Abahani players — during a practice session at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

Gunners regain Euro glory

COPENHAGEN, May 5: Alan Smith scored an early goal to give Arsenal a 1-0 win over holders Parma in the Cup Winners' Cup final on Wednesday as the London club their first European title in 24 years, reports Reuter.



Arsenal striker Alan Smith proudly holds aloft the European Cup Winners' Cup after his team beat Italian side Parma in the final in Copenhagen on Wednesday.

Shooter Rinki qualifies for '96 Olympics

Saiful Islam Rinki, a gold-winning Bangladeshi shooter in the Sixth SAF Games has qualified for participating in the next Olympic Games to be held in Atlanta, according to message received in Dhaka



RINKI yesterday, reports UNB. He is the first Bangladeshi, as well as the first South Asian shooter, to officially qualify for the next Olympics.

Kabaddi camp begins

The first training session for the Bangladesh kabaddi team which will participate in the 12th Asian Games began at the kabaddi court yesterday, reports UNB.

Summer badminton from Sunday

The open summer badminton tournament-1994 organised by the Bangladesh Badminton Federation (BBF) begins at Dhaka wooden floor gymnasium on Sunday, reports UNB.

Maradona resumes training

BUENOS AIRES, May 5: Diego Maradona hopes to start training with Argentina's national squad within a matter of days, as he bids to win a place in the World Cup finals, reports AFP.

Voeller back soon

MARSEILLE, May 5: Veteran striker Rudi Voeller said today, after a meeting with German team chief Berti Vogts, that he would probably join his country's squad for June's World Cup finals, reports Reuter.

Techvalley lift Cup title



Veteran leg-spinner Wahidul Ghani conjured up some his old magic as Techvalley Computer Ltd clinched the Cup title of the first office cricket league with a thumping eight-wicket win over fancied Acme Lab Ltd in a day-night match at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.



WAHIDUL GHANI ... m-o-m

Worcester 265 for four

WORCESTER, England, May 5: Graeme Hick blew hot and cold in all-too-familiar fashion on Wednesday after getting the chance to impress some of England's cricket selectors, reports Reuter.

BSJA awards '93

Syed Rumman bin Wali Shabbir of the Mohammedan Sporting Club was adjudged best footballer of the year 1993 by the Bangladesh Sports Journalists Association (BSJA) yesterday, reports BSS.

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