

# Not much headway at Lahore

**LAHORE, Nov 3:** Michael Bevan fell nine runs short of his maiden Test century as Australia finished the third day of the third and final Test on Thursday just 29 runs short of Pakistan's first innings total of 373, reports Reuter.

The 24-year-old New South Wales left-hand middle-order batsman was dismissed for 91 by leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmad as the visitors ended the day at 344 for five when bad light halted play with four overs still to be bowled.

At stumps Justin Langer, playing his first Test of the tour, was on 38 after 143 minutes at the wicket while his partner Shaun Warne was on seven after the Australians added 237 runs to their overnight score of 107 for two, losing only three wickets in the process.

Bevan, who made 82 and 70 in the first two Tests, was associated with Mark Waugh (71) in the day's highest stand of 122 for the fourth-wicket to frustrate the Pakistanis on a docile Gaddafi Stadium pitch.

Pakistan, following a one-wicket victory in the first Test at Karachi, need only a draw to clinch the three-match series.

Australia suffered an early loss when overnight batsman Phil Emery, the wicketkeeper, had to leave the field with a badly bruised left thumb after he was struck in the fifth over by paceman Mohsin Kamal.

Although Emery suffered no fracture — unlike Ian Healy who had to fly home with a broken thumb — he is nursing a swollen finger and is unlikely to keep wicket in the second innings.

The first success for the home side came two overs later when Michael Slater, who was poised for his second successive century, drove loosely at Kamal and edged a catch to Moin Khan behind the stumps.

The 24-year-old New South Wales opener had added 14 runs to his overnight 60. His 74 included 10 fours from 135 deliveries and spanned 197 minutes.

Kamal's second wicket of the day was that of Waugh, who looked set for his seventh Test hundred when he chased a ball

outside the off stump and gave Moin his second catch. Mushtaq, who had claimed Australian skipper Mark Taylor's wicket on Tuesday, captured his second wicket in the day's final session. Bevan, who narrowly escaped being run out at 90, could not take advantage of the reprieve and was caught by substitute fielder Nadeem Khan at mid-wicket. Kamal, with two for 78 and Mushtaq, with two for 83, were the most successful home side bowlers.

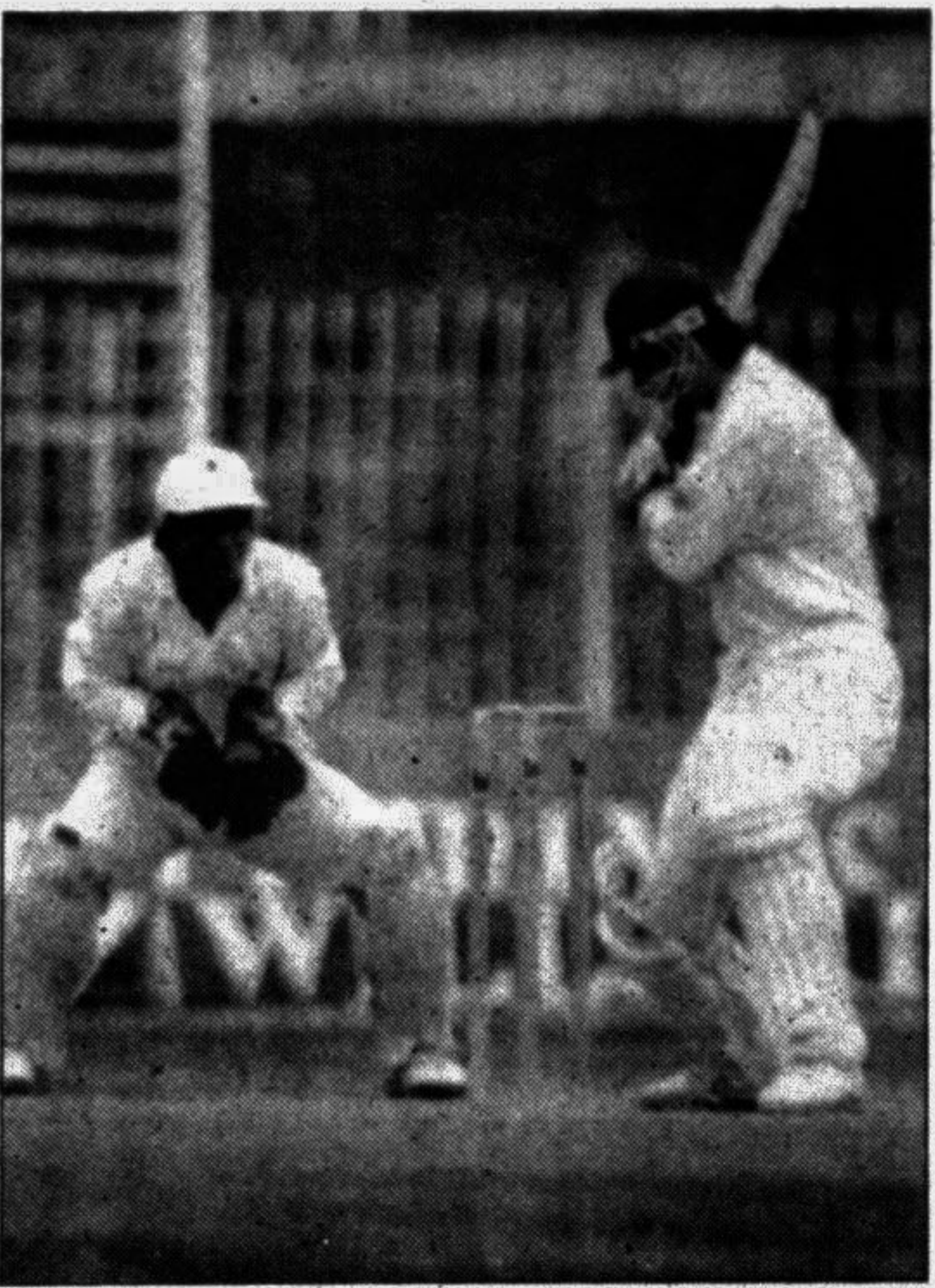
**SCOREBOARD**  
Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the final Test between Pakistan and Australia.  
**PAKISTAN:** First innings

Moin Khan	115	not out
Salim Malik	75	not out
Inzamam-ul-Haq	66	Ijaz Ahmed 48
S K Warne	6	136

**AUSTRALIA:** First innings

M J Slater	c Moin b Kamal	74
M A Taylor	c Arshad b Mushtaq	32
D C Boon	c Moin b Raza	5
P A Emery	retired hurt	2
M E Waugh	c Moin b Kamal	71
M G Bevan	c Nadeem Khan (sub) b Mushtaq	91
J L Langer	not out	38
S K Warne	not out	7
Extras (lb 2, lb 15, nb 6, w 1)		24
Total (for five wickets)		344
Fall of wickets: 1-97; 2-106; 3-126; 4-248; 5-318.		

**Bowling** O M R W  
Aaqib Javed 26 9 62 0  
Mohsin Kamal 19 1 78 2  
Mushtaq Ahmed 32 5 83 2  
Akram Raza 40 9 104 1



Star batsman Mark Waugh shoulders arm to let go a delivery from Mohsin Kamal with wicketkeeper Moin Khan all eyes behind the stumps during the third day of the third and final Test between Australia and Pakistan at Lahore yesterday. — AFP photo

# A trail blazing tale bearer

**NEW DELHI, Nov 3:** Whether blasting a spectacular World Cup century at Turbridge Wells or taking nine West Indies Test wickets in an innings at Ahmedabad, Kapil Dev was the jewel in India's cricket crown for more than a decade, reports Reuter.

The 35-year-old, who took a world record 434 wickets in 131 Tests with his fast-medium outswing, announced his retirement on Wednesday.

Kapil Dev is the only man in Test cricket to have scored over 5,000 runs and taken more than 400 wickets.

He conceded 12,867 runs at an average of 29.64 for his 434 victims in a 17-year Test career.

Kapil scored 5,248 runs at an average of 31.05 in 184 Test innings, remaining unbeaten on 15 occasions. His 163 against Sri Lanka at Kanpur during the 1986-87 series topped his eight centuries. There were also 27 fifties and 64 catches.

It is testimony as much to Kapil Dev's stamina and durability as to his batting and pace bowling skills that he has set, such marks in an age when the volume of international cricket at one-day and Test level imposed considerable physical strain.

A genuine strike bowler in his early days, Kapil Dev gradually lost his pace but over the years still commanded rhythm, accuracy, guile and the ability to seam and swing the ball effectively.

He captained India to their World Cup triumph in 1983 — they were originally quoted at

500-1 for the tournament — and played county cricket for Northamptonshire and Worcestershire in the 1980s.

During the 1983 World Cup in England Kapil gave a perfect demonstration of his ability to play an explosive middle-order innings.

In a group match against Zimbabwe at Turbridge Wells, Kapil rescued India from 17 for five with a breathtaking 175 not out that hauled his team to a final score of 266 for nine. They won the match by 34 runs.

More briefly, though no less spectacularly, Kapil thrilled the crowd at the 1990 Lord's Test with a glorious exhibition of hitting against England off-spinner Eddie Hemmings.

India needed 24 to avoid the follow-on with one wicket left, and Kapil boldly answered the challenge in magnificent



**KAPIL DEV** style by straight-driving four consecutive sixes.

Significantly, Kapil's best Test bowling figures, were against the most powerful team of the 1980s, the West

Indies. He took nine for 83 in the second innings of the third Test in Ahmedabad, though still finishing on the losing side.

Kapil has been unique in Indian cricket for the moment he made his debut against Pakistan in the 1978 series that saw the two nations resume sporting contacts halted since 1963 by war and constant animosity.

He was genuinely quick, unusual for a side in which the new ball was generally shared by medium pacers who took the shine off before handing over to the world-class spinners on whom India relied to take the wickets.

Kapil has become the role model for a generation of young Indian cricketers and, by the mid-1980s, medium-fast bowlers were pressing their Test claims.

"Kapil was a temperamental player, and even his most ardent fans agreed he needed motivation. He needs to be spurred on, provoked, chided, cajoled into performing," said India's former captain Sunil Gavaskar.

"For all his batting feats, bowling is what Kapil believes is his principal role. My focus has always been bowling," Kapil said. "I am primarily a bowler and I have never forgotten that."

In limited-over internationals Kapil was the first to claim 200 wickets and retires with 253 dismissals, having conceded 6,946 runs at an average of 27.45.

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# Nasiruddin memorial tennis

The battle lines for the semifinal clashes of the Nasiruddin memorial veterans' tennis tournament were drawn yesterday with three quarter final matches being decided at the Officers' Club tennis court yesterday.

Azmat Moin and Wahidul Gulshan Club proved rather unkind guests when they sailed into the semis with a comfortable 6-1, 6-4 victory over Salam and Reaz of hosts Officers' Club.

They will play against club-mates Wahid and Moin in one of the semis to be held today. Wahid and Moin kept Gulshan's flag high when they warded off a stiff first set challenge to finally sink Akmal and Mahbob of Officers' Club at 7-6, 6-0 in another quarter final match.

Zaheer and Mesbah of Officers' Club kept hosts' hopes alive when they came back from behind to win an entertaining three set at 3-6, 6-4 and 7-5.

Zaheer and Mesbah will be pitted against the Cantonment Club pair who had earlier advanced at the cost of Engineers' Club pair Wednesday.

Also coming up on Saturday, the inter club singles final between Dr Rashiduddin Ahmed of Dhaka Club and Shabbir of Engineers' Club.

A more attractive billing, the singles final of an open competition introduced for the first time, will be held between reigning national number one Hiralal and former national champion Mahabub Rahman Maruf on an yet undecided date.

# Azhar first Indian

**NEW DELHI, Nov 3:** Indian skipper Mohammed Azharuddin became the first Indian and tenth batsman in the world to complete 5,000 runs in one-day internationals, reports PTI.

He achieved this milestone when he reached 49 during his 58-run unbeaten knock at the Ferozeshah Kotla ground against New Zealand. It was the 170th innings of his 184th one-day international.



**AZHARUDDIN**

The other batsmen to score over five thousand runs in one-day internationals are Desmond Haynes (8649 runs in 238 matches), Javed Miandad (7327 in 228), Vivian Richards (6721 in 187), Allan Border (6524 in 273), Dean Jones (6068 in 164), Richie Richardson (5642 in 202), Gordon Greenidge (5134 in 128), David Boon (5497 in 169), Salim Malik (5022 in 199), according to statistician Parvez Qaiser.

Azharuddin's record in one-day internationals till this match is 184 matches, 170 innings, 33 times not out, 5009 runs, average 36.56, highest 108 (not out), three centuries, 28 fifties and six zeroes.

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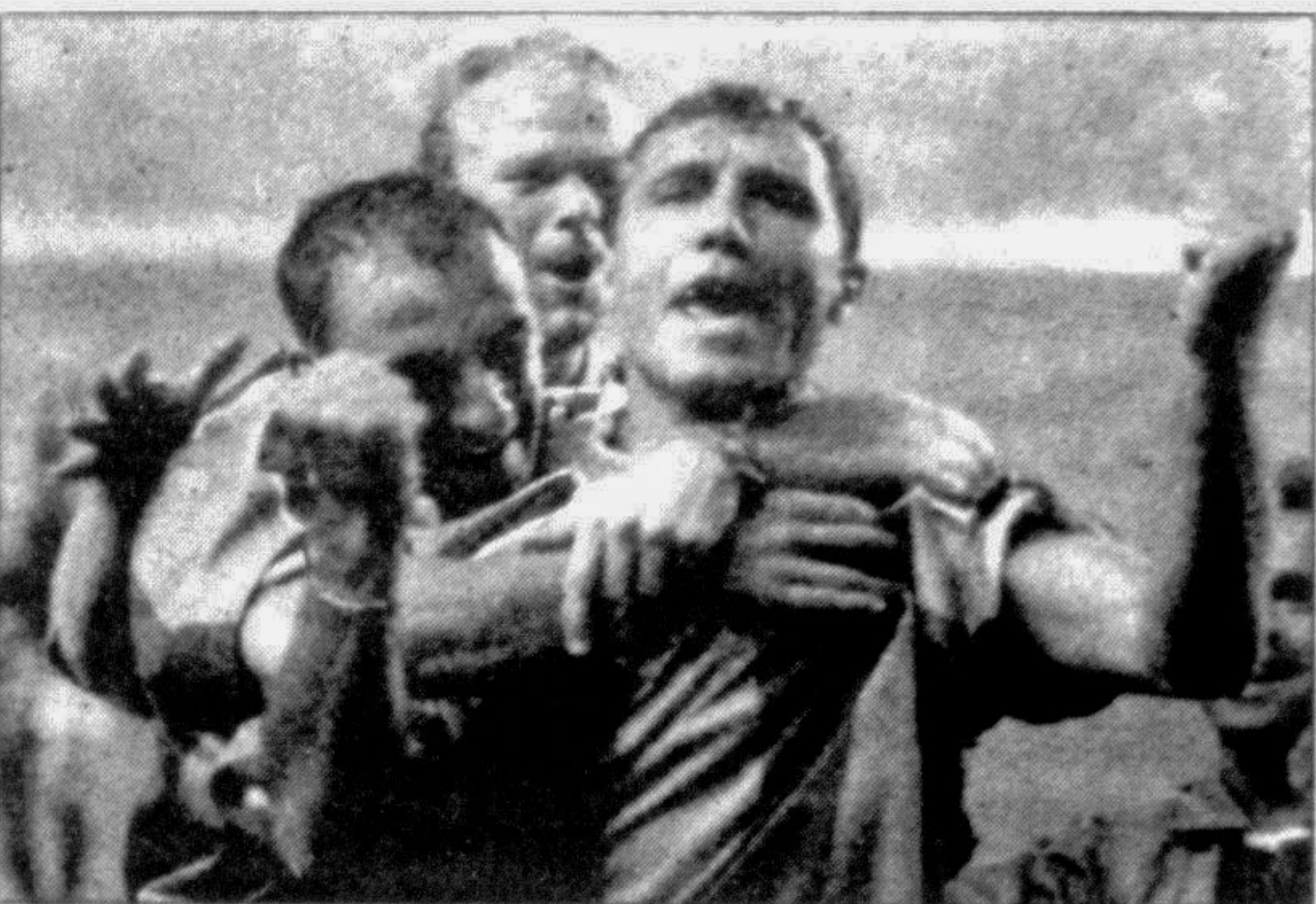
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# Jones may pad up again

**WELLINGTON, Nov 3:** Batsman Andrew Jones has decided his retirement from cricket was premature and is negotiating a new contract with New Zealand Cricket officials, reports AP.



**BEGINNING OF THE BASHING:** Hristo Stoichkov says it all with his characteristic double-fisted gesture while teammates Albert Ferrer (L) and Ronald Koeman (background) join him in celebration after the Bulgarian star opened the account in Barcelona's 4-0 thrashing of Manchester United in a group A tie of the Champions' league in Barcelona yesterday. — AFP photo

# Barcelona maul M United

**LONDON, Nov 3:** Barcelona, beaten finalists in last season's European Cup, proved they could go all the way this season when they demolished previously unbeaten Manchester United 4-0 with a breathtaking display of attacking soccer in their Champions' League match on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

It was United's heaviest defeat in European competition for 17 years and their biggest in any match for four years. The defeat knocked them off the top of Group A into third place behind new leaders IFK Gothenburg, who beat Galatasaray 1-0 in Turkey. Barcelona moved into second place.

After four matches the group is tightly bunched with IFK leading on six points, Barcelona second on five and United third on four, Galatasaray of Turkey trail with a solitary point.

While the quarter-final places are still in doubt from Group A with two matches to play, Paris St Germain booked their place in the last eight from Group B with a 1-0 home win over Dynamo Kiev thanks to a 68th minute header from Liberian striker George Weah.

That goal was enough to preserve PSG's 100 per cent record in the Champions' League. Bayern Munich look likely to join them in the last

eight despite being held to a 2-2 draw at home by Spartak Moscow, the joint bottom team in the group.

Barring upsets in their last two group matches both Benfica of Portugal and Hajduk Split of Croatia seem set to qualify from Group C.

Both their matches ended in draws with Benfica held 1-1 in Romania by Steaua Bucharest and Hajduk finishing 0-0 against Anderlecht in Belgium.

Those results left Benfica and Hajduk on six points from four games — with Steaua and Anderlecht on two points each. If Benfica and Hajduk share the points in their next match in Lisbon on November 23 they are both certain of qualifying, irrespective of what happens to the other two sides.

Reigning champions AC Milan came from behind to beat AEK Athens 2-1 in Trieste with both goals coming from Christian Panucci midway through the second half. AEK Athens captain Stelios Manolas was sent off in the 89th minute for his second bookable offence.

Milan, ordered to play the match on neutral ground and docked two points by UEFA following crowd trouble in an earlier Champions' League match against Salzburg, move on to three points, the same as Salzburg who have an inferior goal difference. Ajax, who needed an 85th minute goal from Finnish

striker Jari Litmanen to force a 1-1 draw with Austria Salzburg, top Group D with six points.

A capacity crowd of 115,000 were in the Nou Camp Stadium and millions more watching live in more than 80 countries around the world.

Barcelona, the 1992 champions, and Manchester United, the 1968 winners, were renewing battle after their epic 2-2 draw at Old Trafford two weeks ago.

United came into the match unbeaten in their opening three games, but without several key players, including suspended French striker Erick Cantona and Danish goalkeeper Peter Schmeichel who was surprisingly dropped in place

of reserve Gary Walsh who had never played a European match overseas. Walsh's inexperience showed in the eighth minute when he was lured into a suicidal dash off his line by Brazilian striker Romario as Barcelona constructed an opening goal in a move aided by Walsh's folly.

Bulgarian striker Hristo Stoichkov took advantage of indecision in the United defence to score. Romario added a second just before halftime and Barcelona thoroughly deserved their second half. Strikes from Stoichkov and Albert Ferrer to run out 4-0 winners.

# Indians brace for final in style

# Kiwis from pillar to post?

**NEW DELHI, Nov 3:** New Zealand's cricketers head off to South Africa with a lot of pride to restore after a thrashing at the hands of India on Thursday in their last match of a triangular one-day tournament, reports Reuter.

India, already in Saturday's final against West Indies despite being docked two points for not trying to win their match against the Caribbean side in Kanpur on Sunday, cantered to a comfortable 10-run victory.

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On Thursday, New Zealand's bowling looked tame and their batting not much better on a

flattish pitch at Delhi's Ferozeshah Kotla ground. Ajay Jadedja, promoted to the problematic opening spot after Manoj Prabhakar was dropped over the Kanpur controversy, hit a solid 90 and partner Sachin Tendulkar, once he had decided the Kiwi attack was not dangerous, hit 13 fours in his 62.

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88 balls. But once they went, it was rapidly downhill for New Zealand.

INDIA

A D Jadedja	c Hart b Nash	90
S R Tendulkar	b Hart	62
N S Sidhu	c Hart b De Groen	35
M A Azharuddin	not out	58
V G Kambl	not out	36
Extras (lb 3, w 4, nb 1)		8
Total (3 wickets 50 overs)		289
Did not bat: V Yadav, C Sharma, J Srinath, V Prasad, A Kumble, V Raju.		
Fall of wickets: 1-100; 2-174; 3-222.		

NEW ZEALAND

B A Young	c Yadav b Srinath	0
D Murray	run out	3
A C Parore	lbw b Raju	51
K R Rutherford	c Srinath b Prasad	8
S P Fleming	lbw b Tendulkar	56
S A Thomson	c Raju b Tendulkar	9
C Z Harris	c Srinath b Raju	16
M Hart	run out	16
D J Nash	b Kumble	3
S B Doull	c Yadav b Kambl	8
De Groen	not out	1
Extras (lb 4, w 4, nb 3)		11
Total		182
Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-12; 3-27; 4-106; 5-132; 6-142; 7-168; 8-172; 9-173.		

**Bowling** O M R W  
Nash 10 0 50 1  
Doul 10 0 58 0  
De Groen 9 0 67 1  
Hart 9 0 36 1  
Harris 2 0 24 0  
Thomson 10 0 51 0

**NEW ZEALAND**  
B A Young c Yadav b Srinath 0  
D Murray run out 3  
A C Parore lbw b Raju 51  
K R Rutherford c Srinath b Prasad 8  
S P Fleming lbw b Tendulkar 56  
S A Thomson c Raju b Tendulkar 9  
C Z Harris c Srinath b Raju 16  
M Hart run out 16  
D J Nash b Kumble 3  
S B Doull c Yadav b Kambl 8  
De Groen not out 1  
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**Bowling** O M R W  
Srinath 7 2 22 1  
Prasad 7 0 26 1  
Sharma 1 0 23 0  
Tendulkar 10 2 29 2  
Kumble 10 1 41 1  
Raju 10 0 30 2  
Kambl 0.4 0 7 1

Overs 45.4  
Result: India won by 107 runs  
Man-of-the-match: Sachin Tendulkar

Final league standings (played, won, lost, no result, points).  
India 4 3 1 10  
West Indies 4 2 1 10  
New Zealand 4 0 3 2

(India were penalised two points for giving up the chase during Sunday's match against the West Indies at Kanpur).

# Injury, BFF's concern

**Sports Reporter**  
The obvious impact of a gruelling league campaign was sorely felt in the ongoing national football camp when at least eight players failed to turn up in the practice session due to injury at the BKSP residential camp yesterday.

It is certainly a severe blow for Bangladesh who are scheduled to take part in the SAARC Gold Cup football tournament expected to be held in the Sri Lankan capital Colombo from December 2.

The Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) which called four more booters after two Mukhtijoddha players had withdrawn from the initially picked group of 32 for the camp, seems destined for more trouble as Mamun Joarder, Mansur and Alamgir added their names to the injury list following Moon, Rumi Rizvi Karim, Imdadul and Biplob who are certain to be counted out.

Of the rather longish injured list only Masud Rana, the Mukhtijoddha left back apparently recovered from a knee-injury, has made a comeback, joining the practice for the first time yesterday since the commencement of the training on November 1.

However the BFF which has kept its fingers crossed so far, hoping a change in the schedule of the meet as the current one would clash the Asian Football Federation Conference (AFC) in Malaysia on December 10-15, may call some more booters in the camp and extend the selection period for a 25-booters camp at the secondary stage.

Wessels steps down  
**JOHANNESBURG, Nov 3:** Kepler Wessels announced Thursday he was resigning as captain of the South African cricket team, reports AFP.

In a statement to the SAPA news agency, Wessels said he had planned to resign after the Springboks' England tour earlier this year but decided to stay on because of the poor form of his deputy and likely successor, Hansie Cronje.

"With Hansie now back in form and a home series at hand, I have informed (chairman of the board of selectors) Peter Pollock that I would like to relinquish the captaincy and concentrate on my batting so that I can continue to serve South Africa wherever and whenever needed," Wessels said.

Wessels, who led South Africa in its return to international cricket during his three-year captaincy, drew praise from the country's cricket authorities.

Wessels' successor will be announced in Durban on Saturday.

McCague out to stake his claim  
**ADELAIDE, Nov 3:** Barrel-chested pace bowler Martin McCague will have more important targets on his mind when he spearheads the England attack in a four-day cricket match against the South Australian state team starting Friday at Adelaide Oval, reports AP.

McCague, who grew up in Perth, is vying with young Yorkshire pacesman Darren Gough to be named as Devon Malcolm's new-ball partner in the coming five-Test Ashes series against Australia.

DU cricket  
**Sports Reporter**  
Department of Statistics recorded a massive 106-run win over Computer Science in the inter-department cricket championship of Dhaka University at the Jagannath Hall ground yesterday.

Batting first, Statistics rattled up a huge total of 176 runs for seven wickets in a curtailed 28-over a side engagement with Raju notching the highest 39 runs.

The other notable scorers for the winners are Kiron and Rintu who contributed 30 and 25 respectively.

In reply, Computer Science could muster only 70 runs in their quota of 28 overs for the loss of nine wickets.

Mahmud tore apart Computer Science claiming four wickets for 31 runs.

Kuliar Char Gold Cup soccer  
**Sports Reporter**  
Bhairab Players' Welfare Association entered the semifinals of the sixth Kuliar Char Gold Cup football tournament when they prevailed over Kishoreganj Players' Welfare Association 6-5 in the tie-breaker at the Kuliar Char Thana complex ground yesterday.

# Barisal football

**By Staff Correspondent**  
BARISAL, Nov 3: Abdul Kadir struck both the goals to power the Fifth Armed Battalion to an emphatic 2-0 victory over Water Development Board on the second day of the Ema Overseas Senior Division football tournament at the local stadium here today.

Earlier, on Wednesday the DC of Barisal M A Rashid inaugurated the ten team meet.

# N'ganj soccer

**From Our Correspondent**  
NARAYANGANJ, Nov 3: Shuktara Juba Sangha and Focus Club shared points in a one-all draw on the second day of the Hanjin Shipping First Division football league at the Osmani Stadium here today.

Mohsin Club will take on Sonakanda White Club in the only engagement tomorrow at the same venue.



Spectators watching proceedings of the Nasiruddin memorial tennis tournament at the Officers' Club tennis court yesterday. — Star photo