The ninth Bangladesh international junior tennis championships, organised by Bangladesh Tennis Federation (BTF), will be held at the Ramna National Tennis Complex from February 6 to 11. reports BSS.

An organising committee has been formed with Dhaka Metropolitan Police Commissioner A N Hussain as chairman.

BTF president and Industries Minister A M Zahiruddin Khan, Special Envoy to the Prime Minister M Morshed Khan and State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeque Hossain were made patrons.

Acme cricket

Sports Reporter

Shantinagar B recorded a narrow two-wicket win over Amarjyoti Club in a high-scoring Acme Second Division cricket league encounter at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Chasing a tight victory target of 207 for nine in 45 overs, Shantinagar B posted 208 with nine balls to spare for the loss of eight wickets for a creditable victory.

Opener Anwarullah, who made a 66-ball 57 and Chandan Pal with a 70-ball 58 kept the Shantinagar outfit well on course although wickets fell quite regularly.

In the morning, two halfcenturies from Imtiaz (55) and Shamim Ahmed (59) plus a gritty 47 by Khalid Aman formed the backbone of an impressive Amariyoti total.

At the Dhanmondi Club ground, Orient Sporting Club beat DOHS by 19 runs while away at the Mirpur Outer Stadium, Rupali Bank raced to a six-wicket victory over Bashabo Tarun Sangha.

BUET sail

Sports Reporter

Hosts Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) rekindled their hopes of a semifinal slot in the interuniversity cricket championship when they recorded an emphatic six-wicket win over Islamic University at the BUET ground yesterday.

BUET, who had earlier lost their Group B opener against Jahangirnagar University by a massive 187 runs last Friday. will now have to wait for the outcome of the January 27 tie between Jahangirnagar and Islamic University to know their fate.

BUET, chasing a modest 133 for an outright victory in the stipulated 40 overs, rattled up the required runs for the loss of four wickets with more than seven overs to spare.

Extras featured the highest score of 33, including 22 wide balls, in the BUET total followed by Sattad, who made a quick-fire 31 off 40 balls.

After BUET lost their first three wickets for 55 runs in 1d.3 overs. Sajjad joined forces with skipper Rumi to put on 31 vital runs for the fourth wicket before Rumi went back for a patient 30 off 67 balls.

Sajjad then guided his side to victory without further damage as he added 47 runs for the unbroken fifth wicket with Swapan, who scored 19.

For Islamic University, Jewel, Badal and Sadi took one wickets apiece.

Earlier, sent in to bat first, Islamic University could muster 132 for eight before running out of their quota of 40 overs.

Opener Bipu with 39 was the top-scorer for the eventual losers while Zafar, who remained unbeaten on 33, was the other notable scorer.

· Riyadh with two for 13 in his quota of eight overs was the most successful among the BUET bowlers while Swapan gave 24 runs for his two scalps.

Div II soccer

Sports Reporter

City Club earned a lone goal win over BRTC in a Second Division football league match. which had a delayed start due to the highly eallous tardiness

of the organisers. The match, one of the two league fixtures billed for the Mirpur Stadium yesterday. which was scheduled to start at 2:00 pm. was delayed by fifteen minutes as the league and ground committee members managed to turn up late for

Mehdi netted the all-important goal in the very sixth minute to give City Club a cru-

Div III football

Suririse Sporting Club and Little Priend Club won their respective Pragati Insurance Third Division football league matches at the Outer Stadium yesterday.

Kadamtola Sangsad in the first



Jubilant Bangladesh under-19 players return to the pavilion after beating the visiting Kenyan national squad by 13 runs in the one-day exhibition match at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday. - Star photo

Boys did what men couldn't

Sports Reporter

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cricket's elite club in the form

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Bangladesh's thrilling one run

victory against the Indian A

team recently in the SAARC

cricket tourney, the whole of

the Dhaka Stadium erupted in

roaring delight as Hasibul

Hossain rattled the stumps of

Thomas Odoyo to mark the fall

of the last Kenyan wicket, to

up, who, by virtue of their vic-

tory against Bangladesh almost

a year ago, won the right to

play in the instant cricket's

next world championship to

be held next year in the sub-

continent, were all out for 183

after being set a victory target

Bangladesh under 19 team.

197 in 50 overs by the

Sent in to bat first in the

first of series of exhibition

matches involving Kenya, the

Hyderabad Cricket Association

of India. Hong Kong and dif-

ferent representative local se-

lections, Bangladesh used up

their quota to collect 196 for

six mainly due to the efforts of

Zakaria imitiaz and debutant

The pair added 111 for the

fourth wicket with the podgy

Zakaria, later named man-of-

the-match, hitting a solid look

ing 65 off 87 balls with the

help of four boundaries. While

it was only expected from the

right-handed batsman, who

had earlier been with the

team during the triumphant

tour of Malaysia not long ago. it

really came as a pleasant sur-

prise from young Atiar repre-

senting the country for the

manlike right handed batsman.

who arrived at the wicket with

the score reading eleven for

two and the Kenyan bowlers'

tails right up, grafted his way

to a patient and timely 50 off

125 balls including three hits

The small statured work-

Atiar Rahman.

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to the fence.

The ICC Trophy runners-

the first ball of the last over

Though nowhere near the

not have been better timed.

brations seen

February in Kenya.

Although the pair more than repaired the early damages done by Kenya's main paceman Martin Suji, the most successful bowler with a haul of three for 44 from the stipulated quota of ten overs, the tempo was provided by skipper Naimur Rahman, who scored a hurricane unbeaten 30 off just 18 balls with three



ZAKARIA... m-o-m

Tiny Sajal Chowdhury gave Bangladesh an ideal start removing Kenyan opener Deepak Chudasama in the first over after lunch and his partner Hasib raised possibilities of an anticlimactically easy victory when he had the other opener trapped leg before with the score moving from blab to four. .

The shocker came for the local bowlers after that

Kenyan skipper and the visitors most prized willow wielder Maurice Odumbe found a willing partner in Steve Tikolo and simply knocked the daylights out of the eyes of inexperienced Bangladeshi bowlers.

Making the job of batting look like a matter of just willing the willow with savage surety to a luscious cherry. the two made nonsense of local euphoria, putting 78 for the third wicket in 20,4 overs

But leftarm spinner Mustadir had Tikelo, one of the three brothers whose treble presence in the team in the past added a note of sibling interest to the fast improving representatives from the African continent, caught for 41 and the first act of rot was

The celebrated Odumbe remembered as a sort of a friendly villain for his ton that put paid to Bangladesh's hopes in the ICC Trophy, was next to go, bowled by a beauty of an incutter from Hasib, also for 41.

After these two setbacks the Kenyans, who at one stage reaped 54 off ten overs, succumbed to the pressure applied by the Bangladesh spinners superbly backed by the fielders particularly those manning the country.

However, Edward Tito, who gave 24 runs from his ten overs to emerge as the most economical bowler, had other ideas and almost brought of a remarkable victory with some solid batting.

He scored 38 off 50 balls with a sixer and three fours before being run out as the chase gathered heat, much to the delight of the relatively small crowd.

Off spinner Sohel, another debutant, then picked up two wickets and Hasibul Hossain, who, too, like his fellow entrante into the national team. duly drove the last nail.

Skipper Naim, who led from the front, bowled his off spinners very well to return a commendable analysis of only 28 from ten overs but the most successful bowlers were Sohel and Hasib who claimed three

New-ball bowler Sajal, who effected a brilliant run out of his own bowling, took two for 32 while Mustadir chipped in with a vital tidy spell of one for 26. SCOREBOARD

BANGLADESH U-19

Shahriar Hossain c K Otieno b Satid Hasan c M Odumbe b Tito 20 Mihrab Hossain c Otiego b M Suji 2 Atiar Rahman st Otiend b Odumbe Zakaria Imtiaz run out Natmur Rahman not out Sajal Chewdhury b M Suii Flasibul Hossain not out Extras: (b-6, fb-9, w-12)

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Edward Tito	10	1	24	1
Thomas Odoyo	6	1	18	0
Asif Karim	6	1	18	0
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Edward Tito run out	36
Lameck Onyango b Sohel	3
Martin Súji b Shahriar Hoss	ain .
b Sohel	6
Thomas Odoyo b Hastbul Ho	eestn 3
Abbas Akram not out	2
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Total (all out in 49 I overs)	183
Bowling O M	RW
Sajal Chowdhury 9 3	32 2
Hasibul Hossain 9.1 J	42 3
Murshed Ali Khan 2 0	11 0
Mustadir Litu 16 2	26 1
Sohel Islam • 9 0	37 3
Natmur Rahman 10 1	100
Result: Bangladesh	U-19

won by 13 runs. Man-of-the-match: Zakaria

Kiwis not afraid of Lara

WELLINGTON, Jan 23: Brian Lara may be the greatest batsman in the World, but the New Zealand are adamant they will treat him as just another opponent, reports AP.

New Zealand coach John Reid, less than a week into the job, said Monday that he is not concerned about devising ways to stop the world record runscorer, who led the West Indies to a run-rate adjusted win in the rain-shortened first limited-overs international in Auckland on Sunday. "We're not in awe of Brian

Lara — he gets out like anybody else," Reid said.

Lara.scored 55 runs from 32 balls on Sunday against a Kiwi team that was demoralized by a dismal tour of South Africa and then rattled by the suspension of three players for drug offenses.

"We're not going to worry about Brian Lara or Keith Arthurton or any of the West Indies batsmen," Reid said.

"After all, it was only a matter of a few days ago that Auckland had them 100 for six so they can all get out.

We've got to concentrate on our own game - they've got good players just as we have. and it was just Brian Lara's day vesterday. Reid, who has a long sum-

mer ahead of him in New Zealand's centenary season. isn't looking past each approaching match.

We'll use each game as a stepping stone and learn from each one," he said.

Reid sees two specific areas New Zealand can improve for Wednesday's second international at the Basin reserve in Wellington - a more aggressive start and fuller bowling.

'In terms of improvement I think we can play with a little more urgency, batting-wise, at the start of the innings." he We actually bowled quite

well, except when we got under pressure. Then we continued to bowl too much short of a length rather than getting the ball up into the block-

The New Zealand team trained indoors Monday afternoon while the West Indies seemingly unable to escape wet weather wherever they go had a day off.



'Coke - Go for Goal'

Sports Reporter

The Coke - Go for Goal, a soccer promotional programme mooted by FIFA in 1977, began in the city for the second successive year.

John Gallagher, the FIFA coach who had earlier visited Bangladesh for the same purpose, is conducting the six-day course which will conclude on January 28.

The 30 school teachers across the country, participating in the course, will be provided with field training as well as classroom briefing during the course.

Nirman cricket

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Jan 23: BM School and Zilla School will play in the Nirman schools cricket championship after winning their respective semifinals at different venues today

Reza scored a sparkling 53 as BM school prevailed over Udayan School by 13 runs while Zilla School earned a two-wicket win over AK School in a low-scoring match.

England-Victoria game drawn

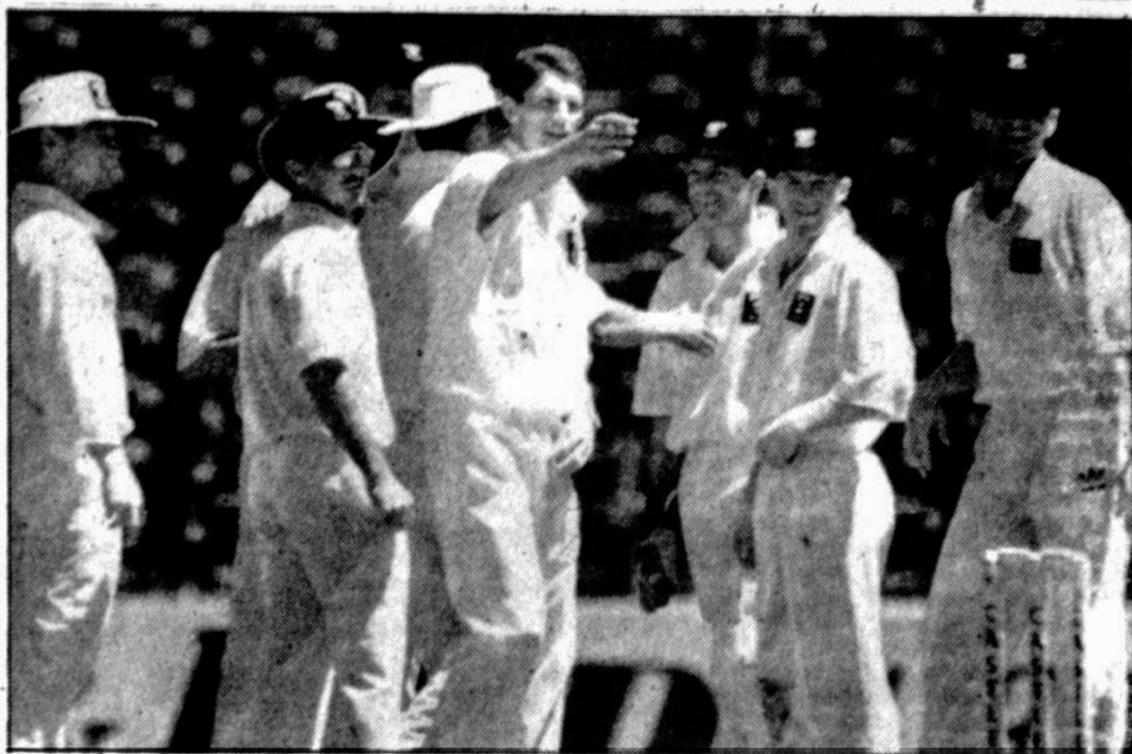
practice instead of a chase for victory today as their four-day tour match against Victoria drifted to a draw, reports Reuter

Set 252 to win in a ministumps were drawn 30 minutes early

Delta Life eves' handball

Viquarunnisa Noon College crushed Arambagh Girls School & College 20-1 in a one sided match of the Delta Life inter-college/hall women's handball tournament at the Dhanmondi women's sports complex yesterday, reports

In other matches of the day, Shamsun Nahar Hall of Dhaka University and Ispahani Girls School and College won their respective matches at the same venue.



OFF YOU GO! South Africa's man-of-the-match Fanie de Villiers who tormented Pakistan both with the bat and ball shows Inzamamul Haq the way to the pavilion after ending his patient but in vain knock of 95 on the final day of the one-off Test at Wanderers in

Johannesburg yesterday. The hosts won the match by 324 runs. - AFP photo SA humiliate Pakistan



the world in handing out a 324 run cricket lesson to topranked Pakistan here Monday in the first Test between the two sides, reports AFP.

The margin of victory was the highest recorded by a South African team. Pakistan also lost at the Wanderers their proud record of never having been defeated by a team they were playing for the first

The game was all but over at tea on the fourth day and only Inzamamul Haq. whose 86 runs included 14 boundaries off 167 balls overnight, stood firm as the wickets tumbled around him.

He went out in Monday's morning session, which lasted only 31 minutes, off Fanie de Villiers' second ball of his second over of the day for the addition of only nine runs. He had struck 16 fours off 179

De Villiers also took the wicket of Aaqib Javed for a duck to finish with figures that would do credit to a spinner: 19-11-27-4.

With this victory, a 2-1 series win against New Zealand and the Mandela Trophy they collected in the quadrangular one-day internationals by beating Pakistan 2-0. South Africa completed their best summer since 1970, when Ali Bacher's Springboks whitewashed Bill Lawry's Aussies 4-

"You can't say you don't have the players until you've given Africa belied them a chance," said a delighted South African coach Bob Woolmer

by accident," said the former England and Kent player 'Captain Hansie Cronje has led by example and nobody has worked harder than him.

good side at the moment and becoming a very good one. Test against New Zealand.

pointed. We have really got to Zimbabwe," he added.

time and they really played

when asked what he taught of his team's achievement.

salmon," was man-of-thematch with figures of 10 for 108 and 66 not out.

luck for the next few months," he quipped as he picked up

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the fifth and final day of the inaugural

Africa and Pakistan at the Wanderers on Monday: SOUTH AFRICA: First innings 460 (McMillan 113, De Villiers 66 not out, Kirsten 62)

The win has not happened

I reckon we are a pretty

work hard, especially as we are now going to be touring Of his opponents, he said: They are improving all the

"It's a captain's dream to have players that respond and give 101 per cent." said Cronje

De Villiers, described after the first innings by wicketkeeper David Richardson as "so lucky he could fall into a

"I must have used up all my

Fall of wickets: 1-3; 2-3; 3-5: 4-98; 5-100; 6-101; 7-124; 8-164: 9-164 Bowling:

PAKISTAN: First innings

SOUTH AFRICA: Second in-

PARISTAN: Second innings

230 (Salim Malik 99; De

nings 259-7 declared (Cullinan

Villiers 6-81)

69 not out)

b De Villiers

b Donald

b McMillan

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b Eksteen

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nb-3)

Total:

b De Villiers

(overnight 149-7)

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Aamir Nazir not out

Extras: (lb-7, b-8, w-1,

Wasim Akram c Kirsten

Aaqib Javed c Richardson

Aamir Sohail c McMillan

Saeed Anwar c De Villiers

Asif Mujtaba c Richardson

Richardson b De Villiers

Ijaz Ahmed c Richardson

Salim Malik lbw b De Villiers 1

27 4 McMillan 33 2 34 2 Eksteen Cronje 2 3 0

324 runs. Man-of-the-match: Fanie De

cricket Test between South Edberg falls, Agassi rolls

MELBOURNE Jan 23: Aaron Krickstein called on some trusty old rackets Monday - and something he hadn't done for

Unseeded Krickstein de-

feated No 6 seed Stefan Edberg of Sweden 6-7 (6-8). 5-7. 6-4. 7-6 (7-5), 6-4 after a three hour-43 minute centre court struggle at the Australian Open tennis championships.

out the tournament, fought back after trailing by two sets to one and by 5-2 in the fourth. Krickstein was one of two

American men to advance, giving the United States five quarterfinalists. No 2 seed Andre Agassi was the other. Agassi continued his dream

run during his Australian Open debut with a 6-3, 6-4, 6-0 win over Australian Patrick Rafter. Agassi completely out-

classed Rafter, the last remaining Australian in the tourna-



American Aaron Krickstein exults after securing match point against Sweden's Stefan Edberg at the Australian Open yesterday. Krickstein upset the sixth-seed 6-7 (6/8), 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (7/5), 6-4. - AFP photo

Krickstein advanced to the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam for the first time since the 1990 US Open. The Swede - a two-time

winner of the Australian Open - fatled to make the quarterfinals here for the first time since 1983 Krickstein, ranked 45th in

the world, pulled some old Yonex rackets out of his closet after Christmas. He last used the rackets when he was top-10 ranked back in 1989. "I played my best tennis in

those years. Who knows why? Maybe they are magic rackets, he said. Edberg had won his last

meetings with 6-2 in just 96 minutes. Krickstein next faces power-serving Dutchman Jacco Eltingh, who slammed

ment, returning serve bril-

step on court here it's getting better and better." Agassi said. Yevgeny Kafelnikov and Angelica Gavaldon also scored upsets Monday, but their routes to the last eight were far less circuitous than that of Krickstein.

liantly to win in just 85 min-

"It feels like every time I

Kafelnikov powered into the last eight of a Grand Slam tournament for the first time in his short but successful career when he beat American Todd Martin in straight sets.

The sometimes volatile Russian, seeded 10th, downed eighth-seeded Martin 6-1, 6-4,

down 34 aces in his marathon victory over American Patrick

McEnroe. Eltingh triumphed 6-4, 6-4, 6-7 (7-9), 5-7, 6-4 after a draining three hour-37 minute

The Dutchman, who along with Paul Haarhuis was part of the world's top-ranked doubles team last year, used his netrushing tactics to good effect, advancing 174 times and winning the point 57 per cent of the time.

Gavaldon, meanwhile, stunned error-plagued No 3 seed Jana Novotna of the Czech Republic 7-5, 6-0. The 21year old Mexican - ranked 96th in the world - equaled her quarterfinal appearance at the 1990 Australian Open.

Novotna, winner of 10 career titles, served two double faults from deuce in the final game to lose the match.

Two other unseeded players Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan and Marianne Werdel Witmeyer of the United States also advanced to the quarterfinals of the women's singles, along with No 1 seed Arantxa Sanchez Vicario of Spain.

Sawamatsu, whose family home was wrecked by last week's Kôbe earthquake, was lifted by the news that her best friend - who was feared dead in the temblor - had been found alive. She defeated twotime finalist and No 11 seed Mary Joe Fernandez of the United States 6-4, 7-6 (7-5).

Werdel Witmeyer defeated Barbara Paulus of Austria 6-2, 6-3 while Sanchez Vicario encountered some stubborn resistance from Karina Habsudova of Slovakia before winning.7-5..6-0.

Natants leave for Iran today

A 21-member Bangladesh swimming and waterpolo team will leave here today for Iran to participate in the eighth Fair international swimming and waterpolo competition, reports UNB. The five-day aquatic meet

begins in Tehran on Thursday. Captain- Shahiduzzaman Khan will lead the squad in the meet which concludes on

January 30.

reasons only known to them. cial win. Sports Reporter

After a barren first half, Shahnawaz and Shamsuzzaman scored one goal aplece to give Sunrise a 2-0 win over

match of the day.

MANCHESTER. England, Jan 23: British record six gning Andy Cole captured the spotlight but French-

man Eric Cantona grabbed the points as Manchester United beat Blackburn Rovers 1-0 in the "50 million pounds" (80 million dollars) Premier league match on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Cole. who joined United from Newcastle in a British record transfer deal worth seven million pounds (11.10 million dollars) 10 days ago. was the focus of attention on his debut for the champions and could have made a dream start with a goal after just 90 seconds.

But after chesting down a misdirected header by Blackburn defender Paul Warhurst he skewed his halfvolley wide - and apart from a shot over the bar in the dying seconds, never had another scoring chance

tween the teams at the end was a refereeing decision. If It was left to Cantona to referees are going to influence

Ryan Giggs 13 minutes from time to give United a deserved victory that could eventually turn out to prove priceless.

head home a long cross from

M United close in on Rovers

For the win narrowed Blackburn's lead at the top of the table two points and although Blackburn have a match in hand. United will go top if the win at Crystal Palace on Wednesday. Blackburn do not play again until next week-But Rovers left Old Trafford

aggrieved at not taking a point from a thrilling match after Tim Sherwood's brave header in time last minute of normal time was disallowed Referee Paul Durkin ruled that Alan Shearer had pushed

Roy Keane before heading the ball across the goal for Sherwood Rovers manager Kenny Dalglish was highly critical of the referee and said afterwards: "The difference bethe result there is nothing you can do about it." The 22 players who started

the match had cost their respective clubs 50 million pounds (80 million dollars) in the transfer market over the past three years and included three other men besides Cole Shearer (3.3 million pounds — 5.3 million dollars). Keane (3.75 million pounds - 6.0 million dollars) and Chris Sutton of Blackburn (5.0 million pounds - 8.0 million dollars) - who have all enjoyed the status of being Britain's most expensive players over the past tow seasons. But all eyes were on Cole,

Sutton at the top of the list with his surprise transfer from Newcastle. Fans arrived at Old Trafford six hours before the kick-off to buy newly-printed Andy Cole replica United shirts with his number 17 emblazoned on the back and there was a roaring

trade in new Cole T-shirts,

sweatshirts and baseball caps.

who has taken over from

BENDIGO, Australia, Jan 23 England opted for batting

mum of 55 overs. England reached 139 for one when

Krickstein stretching back to 1989, but found the American too solid. Krickstein, who has used his old rackets throughwe have the makings of Woolmer said. "The one series I am really looking is the one Pakistan's captain Salim Malik said he was very disap-

sewer and come out with a

53 2 Donald 15 3 De Villiers 19.3 11 Result: South Africa won by

Villiers.