

# Sport

## Two cheers for Bangladesh



Success was the dominant theme yesterday as three Bangladeshi selections went into action in exhibition one-day cricket matches across the country.

While the national team chalked up a resounding 73-run victory over a lowly Hong Kong in Dhaka, the youth team went down fighting to the Kenyans by three runs in Sylhet and Bangladesh A registered their maiden win at the cost of the Hyderabad Cricket Association of India, who bowed down to the shadow Bangladeshi national team by 23 runs in their first match at Comilla.

Powered by half centuries from opener Athar Ali Khan and allrounder Aminul Islam, Bangladesh, after being put in at the Dhaka Stadium, raised a fairly safe and huge total of 232 for nine from their share of fifty overs and zipped by a hat-trick from part-time leg-spinner Al-Shahriar completed a neat demolition of Hong Kong, who lasted 46.1 overs for 159.

The gangling Al-Shahriar's leg breaks were too much for the Hong Kong tailenders of whom John Storey, Mark Eames and Adrian Ashman succumbed in the seven-ball spell the young bowler could bowl before it was all over.

Only opener Stewart Brew, who struck a sixer and a quartet of boundaries, offered any semblance of competition in a match, at best meriting to be called an ego-nursing act for the hosts, with 54 off 107 balls.

Skipper Patrick Fordham also looked pretty keen under the circumstances making a rapid 28 off 33 balls but Foster needed 78 balls for his 33.

Besides Al-Shahriar's treble there was a more creditable similar haul for new-ball bowler Saiful Islam who gave away only ten runs from his nine-over stint.

Slow left-armed Enamul Haq got two for 36 while off-spinner Aminul Islam took one for 16 following his excellent knock in the morning to relieve the adjudicator of any possible dilemma over the man-of-the-match award.

If the one-wicket haul was the concluding part of a savoury day's cricket, it all began in the morning for Amin who walked in as the first Bangladeshi wicket went down in the fifth over with the score on 13.

Together with Athar, Amin put 92 runs for the second wicket with the former contributing a 102-ball 51 that contained six boundaries.

Amin lost skipper Akram and Minhaz quickly but found a willing partner in lefthanded Enam with whom he milked 55 runs for the fifth wicket but the magical three figure mark which was always there to be taken eluded the Mohammedan captain as he got carried away by the sudden rush of blood to be bowled for 90 off 118 balls including five hits to the fence.

Enam provided the pace in the slog overs with a typically rapid 36 off 29 balls as Bangladesh raised a winning total of 232 for nine wickets.

Justin Strachan collected four for 47 while Foster and Raza's reminder

**HARARE, Jan 30:** Off-spinner Akram Raza staked a late claim on Sunday for inclusion in Pakistan's line-up for the first Test against Zimbabwe which begins in Harare on Tuesday, reports Reuter.

Raza helped his side to a seven-wicket win over the Zimbabwe President's XI removing Test batsman Alistair Campbell with the second ball of the day and going on to collect five for 52 as the President's XI collapsed to 143 all out.

Left-arm seamer Wasim Akram also showed a return to form taking four for 26 from his 21 overs.

The target of 118 was a straight forward one for the Pakistanis despite the cheap losses of Asif Mujtaba (eight) and Ijaz Ahmed (five). Aamir Sohail took them to the brink of victory with a well struck 56 and Inzamam-ul Haq completed the job with 38 not out.

### Swedish monarch doubts it

**STOCKHOLM, Jan 30:** Sweden's own king reportedly has doubts about the chances for holding the Winter Olympics in his own country in the year 2002, reports AP.

Last week, the International Olympic Committee picked the Osterund-Aare area as one of the four finalists, which also include Salt Lake City in the United States; Quebec, Canada; and St. Moritz, Switzerland.

In a front-page interview with the Dagens Nyheter daily newspaper on Saturday, King Carl XVI Gustaf was quoted as saying: "I've been burned by the many attempts by Osterund and Aare."

The king said that finances played a major role in his doubts about the current candidacy, but did not elaborate.

**Sports Reporter**

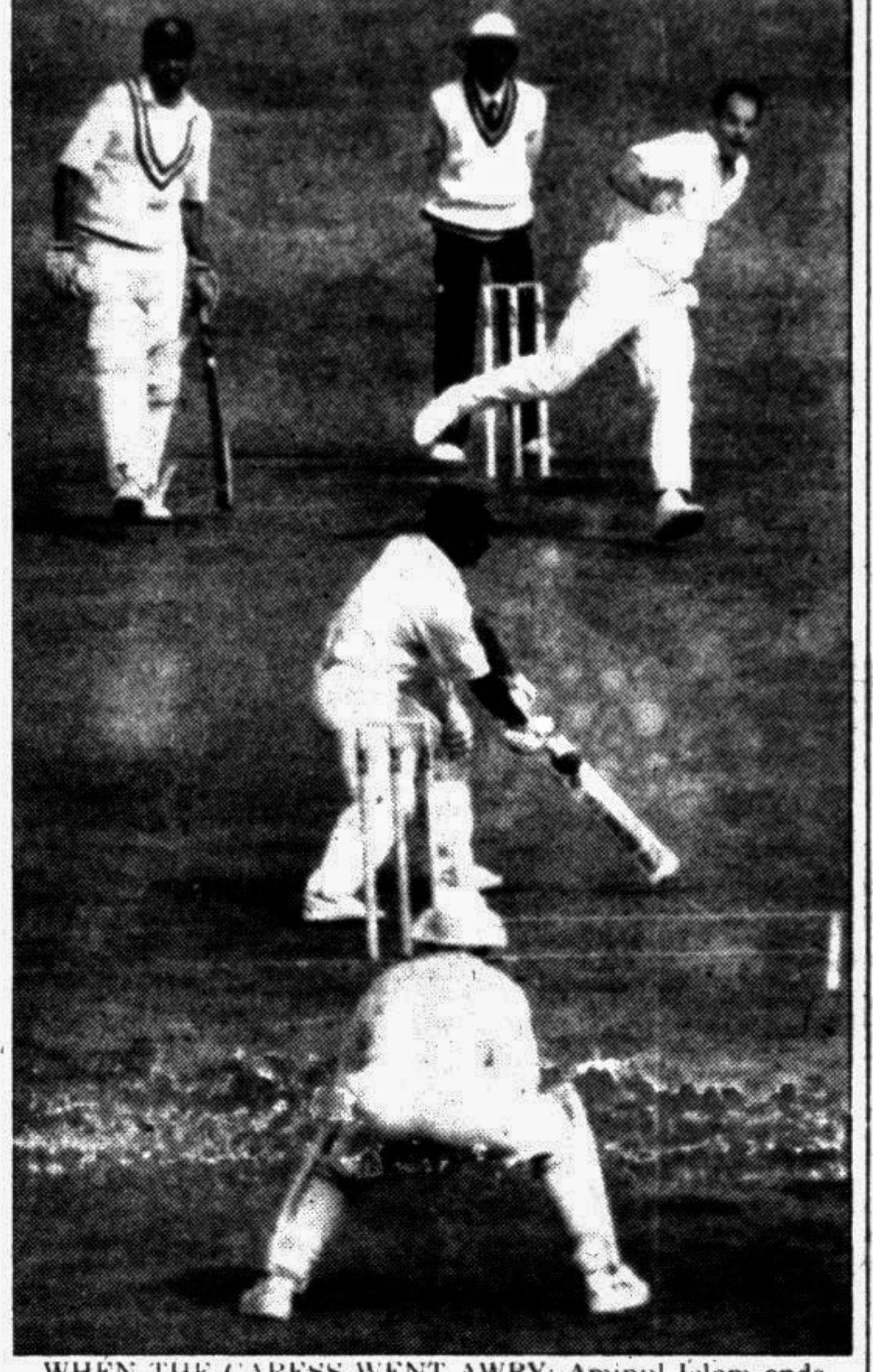
Ashman took over each.

**SCOREBOARD**

Scoreboard of the exhibition match between Bangladesh and Hong Kong at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday:

**BANGLADESH:**

Athar Ali c Mark Eames b S Foster	51
Javed Omar b J Strachar	1
Aminul Islam b A Ashman	90
Akram Khan run out	3
Minhajul Abedin b J Strachar	10
Enamul Haq c R Sharma	10
M J Strachar	36
Md Rafique run out	7
Al Shahriar run out	3
Debasish Barua b J Strachar	0
Extras: (lb-6, w-13)	19
Total: (For nine wickets in 50 overs)	232



**WHEN THE CARESS WENT AWRY:** Aminul Islam ends up with a nothing shot as an intended cheeky shot squares on the off side almost brought about his doom during yesterday's match between Bangladesh and Hong Kong at the Dhaka Stadium. Amin was the main architect of Bangladesh's facile 73-run win in the exhibition match.

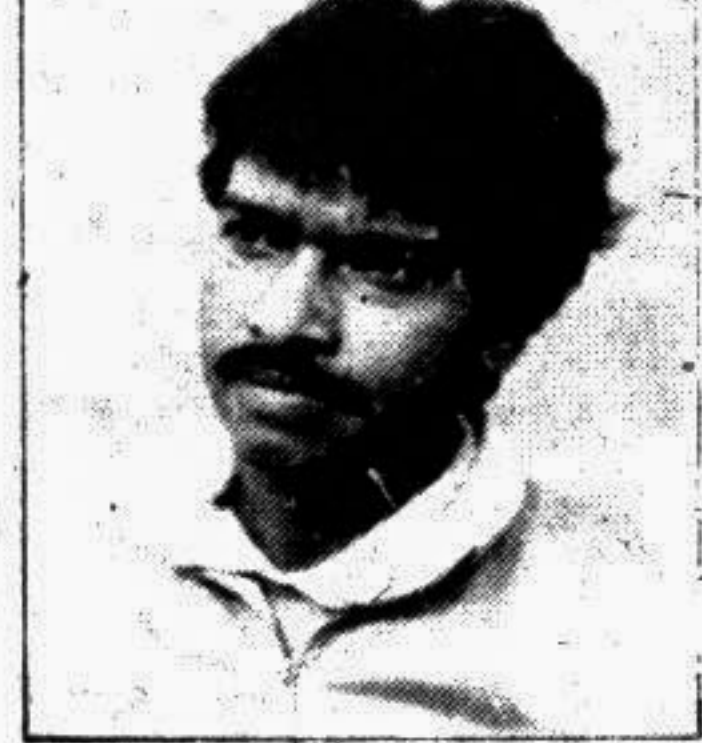
Fall of wickets: 1-13; 2-105; 3-113; 4-136; 5-191; 6-200; 7-228; 8-229; 9-232.

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
Justin Strachar	10	0	47	4
Adrian Ashman	10	1	32	1
Rahul Sharma	2	0	19	0
Ben Hall	10	0	57	0
John Storey	10	0	26	0
Steve Foster	8	0	45	1

**HONG KONG:**

Stewart Brew b Aminul Islam	54
Rodney Barrister c Aminul b Saiful Islam	0
Steve Foster c Debasish b	



**FARUQUE AHMED...58**

Enamul Haq 33  
Rahul Sharma b Enamul Haq 17  
Patrick Fordham b Saiful Islam 28  
Tim Smart b Rafique 0  
John Storey b Al Shahriar 11  
Ben Hall b Saiful Islam 0  
Mark Eames c Javed Omar b Al Shahriar 0  
Adrian Ashman c Debasish b Al Shahriar 0  
Justin Strachar not out 0  
Extras: (b-2, lb-6, w-8) 16  
Total: (all out in 46.1 overs) 159

Fall of wickets: 1-10; 2-85; 3-98; 4-141; 5-142; 6-153; 7-153; 8-158; 9-158.

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
Anisur Rahman	6	0	27	0
Saiful Islam	9	2	10	3
Athar Ali	4	0	10	0
Minhajul Abedin	5	1	19	0
Enamul Haq	8	0	36	2
Aminul Islam	5	0	16	1
Mohammed Rafique	8	0	29	1
Al Shahriar	1	0	4	3

**Result: Bangladesh won by 73 runs. Man-of-the-match: Aminul Islam (Bangladesh).**

**KENYAN REVENGE**

While the patriotic spirits soared high at the Dhaka Stadium, it died down amidst terrific excitement at the Sylhet Stadium as the Bangladesh Youth team lost by three runs despite the all round brilliance of skipper Naimur Rahman.

Naim captured three wickets for 29 from ten overs with his rightarm off spin and then went on to score a committed 76 off 109 balls as Bangladesh chasing 186 for a win were all out in 49.4 overs, giving the Kenyans their second win on tour.

Kenya, who registered an

## Bangladesh go down

Bangladesh, in their first appearance in the Lal Bahadur Shastri international hockey tournament, lost to Punjab Namdhari Eleven 3-5 in tie-breaker at the Shivaji Stadium in the Indian capital of New Delhi yesterday, reports UNB.

Bangladesh, playing under the banner of Dhaka Eleven, drew one-all with their Indian opponents in the scheduled time with Raju scoring for Bangladesh.

In the tie-breaker Bangladesh lost 2-4.

Four foreign teams — Bangladesh, Kazakhstan, United Arab Emirates and Sri Lanka — are participating in the six-day meet. Bangladesh play their second match today against BSP.

## Rowdy Motijheel fans again

**Sports Reporter**

The Motijheel T & T supporters, led by a couple of officials, manhandled referee Ranjan Mahmud during a Pragati Insurance Third Division football league encounter at the Outer Stadium yesterday.

The trouble began two minutes before the long whistle for a solitary goal when the T & T officials, enraged by a ruling from Ranjan, reportedly swooped on the men in black.

They severely beat up Ranjan, who was later taken to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital where he was given a couple of stitches on his face.

Police, however, brought things under control not before lobbing at least six canisters of tear gas.

As far as the league is concerned, it was the third time that the Motijheel outfit indulged in violence despite being stripped of four points from their account for a similar incident against Matuall Juba Sangha.

But the disciplinary measure didn't quite sober them up as their coach Abu Yousuf, declared *persona non grata* made light of the DMFA ruling when he turned up for the match.

Meanwhile, in the first match of the day, Maghbaza Kishalaya earned a convincing 3-1 win over Sunrise Sporting Club.

## Viqarunnisa retain Delta h'ball title

**Sports Reporter**

Viqarunnisa Noon College retained the Delta Life inter-college and hall handball championship title with a convincing 9-4 win over Shamsunnahar Hall of Dhaka University in the final at the Dhanmondi National Women's Sports Complex yesterday.

The winners led 4-2 at the breather.

Mausumi with three goals was the leading scorer for the followed by Munmun and Ayesha, who struck two goals apiece while Fauzia, Rashida, Jinnat and Herin Hussain got the goals for the DU hall.

Meanwhile, in the third place deciding match, Fajilatunnisa Hall of Jahangirnagar University prevailed over Eden College 4-3 in a keenly contested encounter.

Minister for Commerce and Information M Shamsul Islam, who was chief guest on the concluding day of the fortnight-long meet, gave away the prizes among the winners.

## Mohun Bagan declared champs

**CALCUTTA, Jan 30:** Mohun Bagan was today officially declared the 1994 Calcutta Super Division league champions after the Calcutta High Court rejected all the pending petitions and allowed Indian Football Association (IFA) to make the official announcement, reports PTI.

The West Indies made 450 for nine and then reduced Otago to 173 for five in their first innings.

Wicketkeeper Murray and all-rounder Cummins came together with the tourists at 222 for seven late Sunday and took the tourists through to 295 by the close.

The pair scored rapidly Monday — adding 142 runs in just under two hours before Cummins (107) pulled a ball from spinner Paul Wiseman straight to square leg.

He resumed at 29 and hit 12 fours and a six in his three-hour, 20 minute stay at the crease.

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The pair brought up their century partnership in 136 minutes but the second hundred took just under an hour.

Both Windies wickets fell in the same over, with Wiseman getting Kenneth Benjamin lbw for nought.

Kenneth Benjamin claimed two for 42.



England skipper Michael Atherton (C) runs off the field surrounded by Barmy Army fans after England won the fourth Test against Australia in Adelaide yesterday. It was England's first Ashes Test win at Adelaide Oval in 16 years and their first Down Under in eight years.

## Some solace for England

**ADELAIDE, Jan 30:** Devastating last bowling from Devon Malcolm fired England to a stunning victory by 106 runs in the fourth Test against Australia on Monday, reports Reuter.

Malcolm completed a superb four-wicket haul by removing last man Peter McIntyre with only 35 balls remaining on the fifth and final day at the Adelaide Oval as Australia were all out for 156.

Needing 263 in a minimum of 67 overs after dismissing England for 328 in their second innings, Australia collapsed to 83 for eight, with Malcolm dispatching captain Mark Taylor, opener Michael Slater and Steve Waugh.

England were then frustrated as wicketkeeper Ian Healy who made an unbeaten 51, and Damien Fleming (24) resisted for nearly two hours.

Pace man Chris Lewis broke the stand by having Fleming lbw and finished with four for 24.

Australia, who had already retained the Ashes, lead England 2-1 going into the fifth and final Test starting in Perth on Friday.

England captain Mike Atherton, who leapt into the air in jubilation at the fall of the final wicket, said: "No-one gave us a hope before the game so I would like to thank all the players."

"We have had bad times on a tough tour but this makes it worthwhile and keeps the series alive," added Atherton, who praised Malcolm's performance.

"Devon was fired up and he ran in and got us on our way by taking some vital early wickets," Atherton said.

Malcolm finished with four for 39 from 16.1 extremely hostile overs.

Lewis' important contribution with the ball completed his remarkable return to Test Cricket after being originally overlooked for the tour.

He was drafted into the squad from club cricket in Melbourne two days before the Adelaide Test as an emergency replacement for Graeme Hick, who was ruled out by a back injury.

Although Malcolm and Lewis ultimately secured victory, fellow pace bowler Phillip DeFreitas played an influential part with the bat — and earned the man-of-the-match award — by smashing a superb 88 during the morning session.

After England resumed the day on 220 for six, only 154 ahead, DeFreitas and John Crawley, who completed his second half-century in three Ashes innings, tilted the balance.

DeFreitas plundered his highest Test score, making the runs off 95 balls and hitting nine fours and two sixes.

He singled out fast bowler Craig McDermott for particularly harsh treatment, smashing 22 off one over.

Australia, who launched their victory chase by making 16 without loss before lunch, were rocked in the second session.

Malcolm made the vital first breakthrough when he had Taylor caught by Graham Thorpe at first slip for 13 as he drove firm-footedly at a wide ball.

Angus Fraser claimed the wicket of David Boon in the next over, caught behind down the leg-side by Steve Rhodes for four, before Malcolm resumed his devastating display.

The Derbyshire pace man had Michael Slater caught at long-leg by Phil Tufnell for five and then comprehensively bowled Steve Waugh first ball.

England needed some luck to remove Mark Waugh for 24. He smashed the first ball of left arm spinner Tufnell's spell directly onto the boot of Mike Gatting at short leg, and Waugh looked on in disbelief as the ball deflected upwards for Gatting to take a sharp catch.

But after reducing Australia to 83 for eight in the first over after tea, England were almost denied victory by a gritty performance from Healy and Fleming, who shared a ninth wicket partnership of 69 in 112 minutes.

After Lewis removed Fleming, the innings was wrapped up when Malcolm trapped McIntyre leg before, prompting hundreds of England fans to swarm on to the field.

The victory was England's first in Australia since the fourth Test in Melbourne in December 1986.

"We don't like losing but England played well," Taylor said. "We tried to be positive and go for the target but the loss of four quick wickets set

**SCOREBOARD**

Scoreboard on the fifth day of the fourth Test match between Australia and England at the Adelaide Oval on Monday:

**ENGLAND: First Innings**  
353 (M Gatting 117, M Atherton 80)

**AUSTRALIA: First Innings**  
419 (G Blewett 102 not out, M Taylor 90, I Healy 74)

**ENGLAND: Second Innings**  
(overnight 220 for six)

G Gooch c Healy b McDermott	34
M Atherton lbw M Waugh	14
M Gatting b M Waugh	0
G Thorpe c Warne b McDermott	83
J Crawley c and b M Waugh	71
S Rhodes c Fleming b Warne	2
C Lewis b Fleming	7
P DeFreitas c Healy b M Waugh	88
A Fraser c McDermott b M Waugh	5
D Malcolm not out	10
P Tufnell lbw Warne	0
Extras: (b-6, lb-8)	14
Total:	328

Fall of wickets: 1-26; 2-30; 3-83; 4-154; 5-169; 6-181; 7-270; 8-317; 9-317.

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
McDermott	27	5	96	2
Fleming	11	3	37	1
Warne	30	9	82	2
M Waugh	14	4	40	5
McIntyre	8	0	36	0
Blewett	4	0	23	0

**AUSTRALIA: Second Innings**

M Taylor c Thorpe b Malcolm	13
M Slater c Tufnell b Malcolm	5
D Boon c Rhodes b Fraser	4
M Waugh c Gatting b Tufnell	24
S Waugh b Malcolm	0
G Blewett c Rhodes b Lewis	12
I Healy not out	51
S Warne lbw Lewis	2
C McDermott c Rhodes b Lewis	0
D Fleming lbw Lewis	24
P McIntyre lbw Malcolm	0
Extras: (b-3, lb-5, nb-13)	21
Total:	156

Fall of wickets: 1-17; 2-22; 3-22; 4-23; 5-64; 6-75; 7-83; 8-83; 9-152.

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
Malcolm	16	1	39	4
Fraser	12	1	37	1
DeFreitas	11	3	31	0
Lewis	13	4	24	4
Tufnell	9	3	17	1

**Result: England won by 106 runs.**

First Test: (Brisbane, Nov 25-29) — Australia won by 184 runs.

Second Test: (Melbourne, Dec 24-29) — Australia won by 295 runs.

Third Test: (Sydney, Jan 1-5) — match drawn.

Australia lead the five-Test series 2-1.

The final Test is in Perth on February 3-7.

## Windies firmly in control

**DUNEDIN, Jan 30:** Junior Murray and Anderson Cummins completed centuries Monday as the West Indies moved into a strong position on the second day of their three-day cricket match against provincial team Otago at Carisbrook, reports AP.

The West Indies made 450 for nine and then reduced Otago to 173 for five in their first innings.

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**SCOREBOARD**

Scoreboard on Monday, second day of the three-day cricket match between the West Indies and provincial team Otago at Carisbrook:

**WEST INDIES: 1st Innings**  
54  
Stuart Williams run out  
Sherwin Campbell lbw Gale

**AUSTRALIA: 2nd Innings**  
156  
Fall of wickets: 1-17; 2-22; 3-22; 4-23; 5-64; 6-75; 7-83; 8-83; 9-152.

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
Kenneth Benjamin	17	4	2	0
Anderson Cummins	13	4	0	0
Rajindra Dhanraj	24	5	3	0
Keith Arthurton	4	1	0	0
Shivnarine Chanderpaul	3	0	0	0

Overs: 61

## England A ensconced at Eden Gardens

**CALCUTTA, Jan 30:** England A needing 254 runs to win the second five-day international against India A for a decisive 2-0 lead in the three-match series, were 80 for two by the close of the fourth day at the Eden Gardens here Monday, reports AFP.

The tourists, who won the opening encounter at Bangalore earlier this month, appeared inspired by their senior team's sensational victory in the fourth Test against Australia, as they wriggled out of a fight situation.

The Indian second string, desperate to salvage the series, were in command midway through the afternoon session when they moved to 300 for four in their second knock — an overall lead of 200.

But just as the news of England's victory in the Adelaide Test trickled in at the Eden Gardens, the tourists went on the attack and grabbed the last six wickets for 53 runs to bow India A out for 353 at the stroke of tea.

Allrounder Dominic Cork finished with three for 53 while spinners Richard Stemp, Ian Salisbury and Minal Patel shared two wickets each.

England A, who had lost six wickets while chasing a victory target in the Bangalore Test, began on the wrong foot when Michael Vaughan was trapped leg before by part-time seamer Saurav Ganguly at the score of four.

New batsmen Jason Gallian and opener Nick Knight, however, retrieved the situation with a 73-run stand for the second wicket which took the score to 77 for one.

But just when the batsmen appeared set to carry the battle to the fifth day, Gallian attempted a wild heave off spinner Rajesh Chauhan and was stumped. He made 37 off 65 balls with five boundaries.

Knight, the Essex left-hander, was still there at close on a hard-hit 39 which included a boundary and two huge sixes off left-arm spinner Utpal Chatterjee.

Nightwatchman Minal Patel had yet to score from 13 deliveries, and will resume with Knight on Tuesday with England A needing a further 174 runs with eight wickets in hand on a slow turner.

## Lewis fined

**ADELAIDE, Jan 30:** England pace bowler Chris Lewis was fined 750 pounds sterling (1,192 US dollars) for a "cowardly act" during the touring team's dramatic 106-run win over Australia in the fourth Test on Monday, reports Reuter.

England captain Mike Atherton earned an official rebuke for failing to play within the spirit and laws of the game over his side's slow over rate.

Atherton and the rest of the team were fined 15 per cent of their match fee, worth 375 pounds (595.9 dollars), by match referee John Reid for their slowness in the field.

Lewis was fined 30 per cent of his match fee for intimidatory behaviour and bringing the game into disrepute.

The Nottinghamshire pace man pointed to the pavilion after dismissing fast bowler Craig McDermott for nought.

"Gesturing to the pavilion was cowardly act once the batsman has been dismissed and had turned his back and it will not be condoned," Reid said in a statement.

The former New Zealand Test captain interviewed Lewis, Atherton and team manager Keith Fletcher before announcing the fines.

England, who dismissed Australia for 156 in their second innings, were three overs behind the required rate when the match ended.

"England captain Mike Atherton was also reprimanded... for failing to ensure that the match was conducted within the spirit of the game and the laws," the statement added.

### Changes in Aussie squad

**ADELAIDE, Jan 30:** The Australian cricket selectors Monday made two changes to the team to face England in the fifth Test, which starts on Friday at the WACA Ground, reports AP.

West Australian bowlers Brendon Julian and Jo Angel were named in a 12-man squad, replacing seam bowler Damien Fleming and leg-spinner Peter McIntyre.

Julian played his only two Tests on the 1993 Ashes tour, while Angel has been out of favour since the tour of Pakistan last October.

Fleming was not considered because of a hamstring strain in his right leg while McIntyre was dropped after returning figures of 2/87 from 27.3 overs in his Test debut in the fourth Test.

The 15-man squad to the West Indies will be named early next week at the end of the Perth Test match and it is likely that two, and possibly three, bowling spots still are up for the grabs.