# Young leads Kiwi charge



\ determined hill century by opener Bryan Yo

ing guided New Zealand to 94 for one waket at the end of play on the second day of the Test against South Africa at Auck-

land today, reports Reuter. Young, undefeated on 62 at the close, showed great pa tience and technique against the South African pace attack after New Zealand had restricted the tourists to 294 in their first innings.

Allan Donald bowled with venom and Fanie de Villiers with great accuracy but Young played a resolutely straight bat to give the home side the prospect of a big score on the third day

He drove handsomely on his way to his seventh Test fifty. bringing it up with a superb straight drive for lour off Hansie Crunk

Cronje took the only wicket to fall in the final session. With the score on 86. Darrin Murray (25) edged a ball on to his pad. which ballooned to Gary Kirsten at short leg.

South Africa were dismissed after lunch for a disappointing 294. having started the day at 153 for three.

Medium-pacer Gavin Larsen wrapped up the South African tail after seamers Danny Morrison and Dion Nash tore the heart out of the middle order with the new ball. Three wickets fell with the

score on 230 as the South Africans collapsed on a pitch offering movement off the seam and plenty of bounce. Nash finished with figures

of four for 72, Morrison three for 53 and Larsen three of 57. The day should have be-

longed to Daryll Cullinan, who turned 28 on Saturday, but had little to celebrate today as he threw away the chance of a century when he pulled Morrison directly to Murray at square leg for 96.

His century would have been well deserved, as he batted virtually without fault on the first day, driving and cutting with power and precision.

Cronie played handsomely for his 41, sweeping and pulling spinners Matthew Hart and Dipak Patel ferociously.

A six smashed off Hart over



BRYAN YOUNG extra cover in the 84th over was the shot of the day.

Nightwatchman Clive Eksteen was out in the following over, when he pushed at a ball from Nash outside off stump and was caught by Stephen Fleming at slip.

Cronje was dismissed when he cut a loose Morrison delivery directly to Crowe at gully.

In the next over. Jonty Rhodes, who looked out of form, edged a seaming delivery from Nash to wicketkeeper Parore to the delight of a small but vocal crowd.

Dave Richardson and Craig Matthews took the score to 276 before Matthews edged a Larsen delivery to the wicket-

In the following over, Richardson attempted to cut a ball too close to his body from Nash giving Parore his fourth

Villiers swung hard and straight for 12 before holding out to Hart off Larsen.

An unverified world record was set during the innings. Scorers said wicketkeeper Adam Parore had not conceded a bye since the first innings of the third Test against South Africa in 1994.

Since then the New Zealanders have conceded 1,532 runs in two Tests against West Indies. The previous record was held by Englishman Alan stumps and ground attendants before coming to a half against

#### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day's play between South Africa and New Zealand at Eden Park, Auckland, today.

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Fall of wickets: 1-41; 2-42; 3-145; 4-168; 5-230; 6-230; 7-230: 8-276: 9-276

Bowling	0	M	R	W
Morrison	26	9	53	3
Nash	27	13	72	4
Larsen	24.3	7	57	:
Hart	11	3	45	(
Patel	17	2	54	(
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nings B Young not out D Murray c Kirsten b Cronje M Crowe not out Extras: (nb-2, w-1, lb-3) Total: (for one wicket)

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Donald De Villiers Matthews Cronje									
					Eksteen	6	4	2	0

## China promises to be clean sire to fight drug use.



BEIJING, Mar 5: China's swimming association pledged to the International Swimming Federa-

tion on Sunday that there will be no more doping cases among Chinese swimmers, reports AP.

The assurance came from Guo Qinglong, secretary-gen eral of the Chinese Swimming Association, said Gunnar Warner, secretary of FINA, which is conducting an unprecedented investigation into the use of performance-enhancing drugs by Chinese swimmers.

Warner did not say how Guo could make such a pledge if such drug use were not systematic, as China repeatedly

The FINA probe was prompted by the positive drug tests of 11 Chinese swimmers last year, accounting for more than half of the total doping cases discovered in competitive swimming in the past two decades. The results led to accusations by many coaches and athletes from other countries that China's successes in swimming were due to widespread drug use.

Werner said the team still needs to study information and material it has gathered during its five-day visits before making any decisions.

The team will present a report to the FINA board at the end of this month in Bangkok and Warner refused to give any indication what conclusions and recommendations the delegation would make.

Werner said the delegation was satisfied that the Chinese Swimming Association has followed FINA rules and regula-

#### **Philippoussis** meets Courier in final

SCOTTSDALE. Arizona, Mar 5; Australian Mark Philippoussis upset top-seeded Todd Martin Saturday to become the first qualifier since 1988 to reach the final of the MassMutual tennis championships, reports AP.

Philippoussis, in his first year on the ATP Tour and ranked 272nd in the world going into this tournament pulled off the 7-6 (7-3), 6-3 victory to oust the No. 12 player in the world.

"It's just hard to believe I'm in the final," said Philippoussis, who will move into the top 150 in the world with the win. "I feel like I've been here for ages. It wasn't until the end of the match that I realized that this guy is the No. 12 player in the world."

On Sunday, he will face second-seeded Jim Courier, who upset Sweden's Stefan Edberg 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 Saturday night.

"It wasn't pretty, but it's a W in the books, and it feels good," said Courier, who is the ranked 13th in the world.

tions in handling the doping cases, that China has a good doping education programme and that Chinese sports officials are sincere in their de-

# Haarhuis hangs

ROTTERDAM, Mar 5: Unseeded Dutchman Paul Haarhuis saved three match points as he ousted second seed Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 to reach the World indoor tennis tournament final on Saturday, re-

ports Reuter. Haarhuis made an ideal start to the semifinal by breaking serve in the opening game but the Russian, who won the Milan tournament two weeks ago, responded with two

breaks to secure the first set In the second set, Haarhuis achieved a break in the fourth game and, aided by some close line calls going in his favour,

he levelled the match. The third set started with four breaks in a row before Haarhuis saved two match points in the 10th game and one in the 12th to take the match to a deciding tiebreak.

Haarhuis won the tiebreak 7-5 to reach the final in which he will face compatriot Richard Krajicek or Italian Omar Camporese, who won the tournament in 1991 but is a

The FINA members met with six swimmers, including Liu Bin, a three-time world champion, and Yang Aihua, the world 400-metre freestyle champion. The six were among seven who tested positive at last fall's Asian Games for banned substances and were banned from competition for two years. Six of the seven pos itive results were for dihydrotestosterone, a steroid commonly known as DHT.

Werner said Lu "was very determined to come back again after two years."

Chinese sports officials did not provide the delegation with the results, if any, of their investigation into the doping

The athletes said in inter view with FINA that they have no idea how the banned sub stances got into their bodies.

Werner said. The delegation also toured China's doping laboratory in Beijing, which is accredited by the International Olympic Committee, and met with 10

coaches and one doctor. Werner said China's large size makes the job of controlling drug use among athletes difficult for the nation's sports

"We have noticed here these doping cases have occurred in different clubs in different cities from north to south." he said



SC Freiburg's Argentinian striker Rodolfo Cardoso (L) weaves his way past Dynamo Dresden's Rene Beuchel during a Bundesliga match on Saturday. Freiburg won 3-1.

- AFP photo

the clown

# De Villiers,

AUCKLAND, Mar 5: South African cricketer Fanie de Villiers entertained fans on the second day of the Test against New Zealand in Auckland on Sunday - but not in his customary role of fast bowler, reports Reuter.

During the tea interval, De Villiers, who is yet to take a wicket in the Test, amused spectators by operating a remote-controlled toy car on the wicket block. The car cannoned into the

the player's drinks trolley. Earlier in the day, De Villiers entertained the crowd with a cameo innings of 12 which consisted of three fours from 12 balls, several wild

swings and his dismissal. It was not the first time De Villiers has played the clown on South Africa's short tour During a washed out one-day match, he met journalists in a wetsuit and flippers and armed with a paddle.

De Villiers also played with a remote-controlled car during a match on the 1994 tour of Australia.

### Bevan bound for Yorkshire

LONDON, Mar 5: Australian batsman Michael Bevan has been confirmed as Yorkshire's overseas player for this year and is to take part in the country's pre-season trip to South Africa starting on March 16, reports Reuter.

There were doubts about the New South Wales left-hander's availability for following his failure to win a place on Australia's tour of West Indies. Yorkshire feared he might be needed instead for the Australian A tour of England this summer.

However, they have received a fax from the Australian selectors, confirming Bevan will not be chosen for that party which is to be announced early next month.

Yorkshire captain Martyn Moxon said: "This is really good news for us. I believe we are equipped to challenge for honours on all fronts this year.'

Meanwhile. Yorkshire's England fast bowler Darren Gough is making a good recov ery after returning home early from the Ashes tour with a stress fracture of the left foot.

Gough is batting again in the nets and may go to South Africa with the country, though Moxon stressed that if he did it would only be to work in the

### Zvereva leaves Sanchez in cold

INDIAN WELLS. California, Mar 5: Natasha Zvereva of Belarus concentrated on staying calm, and it paid of when she upset Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario 7-5, 6-3 on Saturday at the Evert Cup, the Spaniard's first tournament as world number one, reports Reuter.

"I know how excited I can get and I can get pretty much out of control sometimes, so I was trying to keep my calm more than I usually am." Zvereva said after her semifinal triumph.

Zvereva, ranked ninth and seeded fourth, won just her second victory in 10 matches against the top-seeded Sanchez Vicario, and advanced to the final of the 430,000 dollars event against eighth seed Mary Joe Fernandez, who cruised past fifth seed Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan 6-4, 6-1,

Zvereva said a key to the match came in the very first game, which she won after falling behind love-40 on her

"It was very important, and at love-40 I still felt like I could still win the game and still keep the faith in me, and that is basically what happened.

Zvereva had never before beaten a current world number one, although she had beaten former number ones Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert, host of this event.

"I am very exited," said Zeveva. "It is so great for me to win such a match because I don't get to do that very

Sanchez Vicario, who took the world's number one rank ing from German Steffi Graf on Monday and will retain it regardless of her performance here, was a little torn between praising Zvereva's play and faulting her own.

"It was kind of weird," the Spaniard said.

"Maybe I just did not take the opportunities that I had and I gave her the chance to come into the match. But she played very good and I made more mistakes than normal. Maybe I was not getting at the ball as fast as normally, but she played very good and she won the match."

Sanchez Vicario said her serving, especially her first serve, let her down. However, she emphasised: "But I think I didn't lose the match. She won the match and I learned something that maybe could help me for the next time."



over Ipswich with a 9-0 victory. - AFP photo.

Velappan's plea for joint bid



KUALA LUMPUR, Mar 5: Asian soccer chief Peter Velappan on Thursday made a new

plea for Japan and South Korea to forget their bitter rivalry and co-host the 2002 World Cup, reports AFP.

Mexico's withdrawal from the competition on Wednesday guaranteed Asia would host its first finals in 2002 with Japan and South Korea the only con-Velappan, general secretary

ation, said he was concerned Japan and Korea would waste million of dollars on their bid campaigns that could be spent on World Cup facilities. "We have two outstanding

of the Asian Football Confeder-

candidates capable of hosting it, so why should we have a winner and a loser when it is possible for everyone to be a winner?" said Velappan. "Now Mexico has pulled

out, no doubt both Japan and Korea will go full steam ahead in trying to get the World Cup

### FIFA embargo on Cantona

ZURICH. Mar 5: Manchester United striker Eric Cantona cannot play anywhere in the world until September 30. FIFA, world soccer's ruling body, announced on Thursday, reports Reuter.

FIFA followed their own

disciplinary rules to make the suspension - imposed by the English FA on the Frenchman last Friday for an attack on a Crystal Palace fan -- apply to all football matches up to and including September 30. FIFA said in a statement in

accordance with the disciplinary procedures contained in the FIFA statutes, FIFA has extended the ban imposed on the player Eric Cantona by the Football Association to become effective worldwide. The Manchester United and

France player is thus banned from all football activities throughout the world up to and including September 30,

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for themselves. "But once again there seems

to be a strong case for co-hosting the tournament and I would urge the two countries to consider this.' The two countries have al-

ready ruled out Velappan's pleas once. Japan, who have never qual-

ified for the finals, hope the phenomenal success of their two-season-old J-League and the country's hightech infrastructure and multi-million-dollar marketing expertise, will sway FIFA when the venue is decided in June 1996. Korea's trump card is its

record on the international stage. They have qualified for the World Cup finals four times - in 1954, 1986, 1990 and 1994. They can also point to the successful 1988 Seoul Olympic Games and have the financial clout of the Hyundai empire, founded by the father of the Korean FA president, Chung Mong-Joon.

The two countries have become bitter rivals on the field and many AFC officials fear they will get involved in an embarrassing political war off it in the runup to FIFA's deci-

Though Japanese FA vicepresident Shunichiro Okano on Wednesday promised "a fair fight" in the candidacy battle, Asian soccer leaders are preparing for the worst. Many expressed fears that Mexico could have stolen the show had it kept up a bid.

Velappan said. "Both Korea and Japan are stepped in football tradition and economically are two of the leading countries in Asia. But he highlighted that the

tournament now consists of 32

teams and in many cases is be-

yond the capacity of any one country to host it on their own. The finals now need 12stadiums with a minimum capacity of 40,000 spectators, as well as hotels, telecommunica-

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FIFA general secretary Joseph Blatter said recently it was impossible for two coun-

tries to stage the World Cup because of uncertainty over security, currency, who would stage the opening ceremony and the final.

"But these are antiquated questions which do not arise under modern circumstances, said Velappan.

were far greater than between Japan and Korea. Moreover, these are the two leading countries noted worldwide for their security and safety." "If the two countries are re-

with FIFA."

come a pioneer of this new concept.

"It is a shame that Japan and Korea will spend millions of dollars in their bids when this money could be spent on infrastructure for the World Cup and Asia in general could be the winner in 2002."

#### Gremio edge Verdy 2-1

and Jardel each scored in the second half as Copa Do Brasil Champions Gremio edged the Japanese Professional Soccer League champions Verdy Kawasaki 2-1 in the Sanwa Bank Cup match Saturday, reports AP.

Brazilian midfielder Bismarck made Verdy's lone goal on a penalty kick 37 minutes into the second half before more than 27,000 spectators at National Stadium in rain and zero-degree (Celsius) (32 F)

to score it in the first half.

minutes in. Jardel added one more as

the goal eight minutes later.

in the second half.

Gremio outshot Verdy 12-8

For example, the distances involved in the United States

spective to co-hosting the 2002 World Cup, then we could discuss it in more detail

He said Asia could even be-

TOKYO, Mar 5: Pauro Nunes

weather. Gremio shot eight and Verdy five but neither was able

Gremio got their rhythm in the second half as Nunes booted in a loose ball with his right leg in front of the goal 17

World Youth Championship in Australia. The J-League became the first professional league to

"The proposal was submitted by FIFA's working group

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The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it lander's will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short memento words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Massaro on his way to J-League TOKYO, Mar 5: Italy's international striker Daniele Massaro will play in Japan after this year for one of J-League teams, a Japanese sport

newspaper said today, report Reuter. Daily Hochi Shimbun said the 32-year-old Massaro of AC Milan, was expected to sign a

Italian league ends on June 4. A Shimizu spokesman was quoted as saying the clubs were still talking and no final agreement had been yet reached.

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Shimizu S-Pulse when the

The newspaper said Massaro was expected to make his debut at the start of the second stage of the J-League. competition on August 12 after arriving with his family in late

The J-League is due to kick off its third season on March 18 with 14 clubs, two more than last season.

#### Nehru Gold Cup soccer starts March 8 CALCUTTA, Mar 5: India

will play their first match against Thailand on March 10 in the 11th Jawaharlal Nehru Gold Cup international football tournament which gets underway here from March 8, reports PTI.

Announcing the fixture of the ten-day tournament here yesterday PP Lakshmanan, the secretary of the All India Football Federation (AIFF), said that Uzbekistan and Iraq would clash in the opening match of tournament at the Salt Lake Stadium. Russia would meet Thailand

in the second match of the inaugural day on March 8, Lakshmanan said. Apart from India four nations will be competing in this

year's tournament. They are Russia, Uzbekistan, Iraq and Thailand. The teams would be playing in a round robin league and the

top two teams would clash in

the final to be played on March

FIFA may try sudden death in WC 1998

ZURICH. Mar 5: The sudden death format used to resolve drawn matches in Japan's J-League could be introduced in the 1998 World Cup finals in France, a FIFA official said on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

In the J-League, the team

who score the first goal in ex-

tra time win the game. If the

result is still deadlocked after extra time a penalty shoot-out follows. FIFA spokesman Andreas Herren said a proposal was placed before the 1998 organ-

format from the second phase round of 16. It has already been used successfully - from the quarter-final stage of the 1993

ising committee to adopt the

bring in the sudden death system on an experimental basis, with FIFA's blessing, when it was inaugurated in 1993.

Task 2000, which was given he shot a loose ball in front of the job of finding ways and means to make soccer more attractive to the public," Herren said.