McDermott to miss WI tour Ali will be Smooth sail for top seeds Kamsky needs



Guyana, Mar 22: Australia's chances of winning their upcoming cricket Test seri-

es against the West Indies were dealt a blow when key fast bowler Craig McDermott tore ligaments in his left ankle and bowed out of the rest of the tour on Tuesday, reports

Team manager Jack Edwards told a news conference

Blewett puts Aussies on top against Guyana

GEORGETOWN, Guyana, Mar 22: Greg Blewett scored a century against Guyana on Tuesday as Australia moved within sight of the opening first-class victory of their Caribbean tour, reports Reuter.

Having built a first innings lead of 268, the Australians reduced Guyana to 165 for six by the close of the second day of the three-day match.

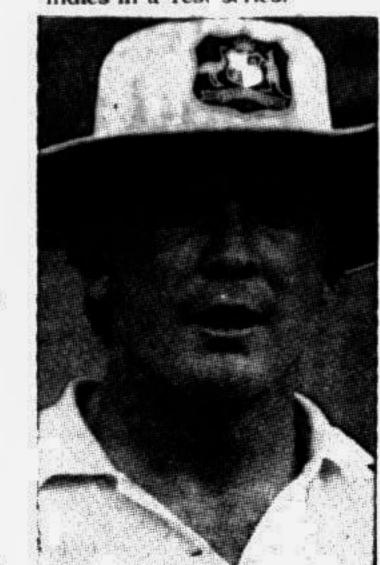
He took his cue from Blewett who cotinued to punish anything loose after resuming in the morning at 82 out of Australia's 204 for four.

Blewett's innings ended when he went for a lofted drive off Roger Harper and Shivanarine Chanderpaul took a fine, running catch on the mid-wicket boundary.

His 116 came off 152 balls and was laced with 14 fours and a six.

that McDermott, Australia's second highest wicket-taker in Tests with 270 in 65 matches, would leave Guyana with the team Wednesday and fly home

Thursday. His absence will hurt Australia's chances of ending a 22year dry spell in which they have not beaten the West Indies in a Test series.



CRAIG McDERMOTT

Edwards said a replacement player would be announced after the five-day final of Australia's domestic competition for the Sheffield Shield, between Queensland and South Australia, that starts Saturday.

McDermott was jogging back from the Bourda ground with captain Mark Taylor after the first day of the Australians'

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match against Guyana when he

injured himself on Monday. Team physiotherapist Errol Alcott told the Associated Press that McDermott would have been out of action for three to four weeks. That would have ruled him out of the first two Tests of the fourmatch series, in Barbados March 31 to April 5 and in Antigua April 8-13.

"He's done severe ligament damage to his left ankle." Alcott said. "It'll take a couple of weeks to joint together and then another week or more for consolidation of the soft tissue around the joints."

McDermott had his ankle strapped and was using crutches for support.

The Australians, who lost the series of five one-day internationals against the West Indies 4-1, already have had to replace one fast bowler in their squad of 15. Damien Fleming flew home last week with an injury to his right, bowling shoulder and leftarmer Brendon Julian arrived to take his place.

McDermott, who will turn 30 next month, was Australia's leading bowler in the recent home series against England with 32 wickets at an average of 21.09. He also was top wicket-taker in Australia's last series in the West Indies in 1991, with 24 wickets at a 23.5 average.

His absence leaves Paul Reiffel, Glenn McGrath and Julian as Australia's only specialist fast bowlers on tour. They have played only 22 Tests between them.

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PLAINFIELD, Indiana, Mar 22: Boxing legend Muhammad Ali will greet Mike Tyson on his release from prison Saturday and join the former heavyweight champion in Islamic prayer, Tyson's spiritual adviser said Tuesday, reports Reuter.

"Ali will greet Mike when he comes out and after he gives him a hug we're heading for prayers," Muhammad Siddeeg told Reuters.

He said the morning prayers at a mosque not far from the prison near Indianapolis where Tyson has been jailed for the past three years for a rape conviction will be

open to all. Siddeeq denied a published report that Tyson, who converted to Islam two years ago. had invited other prominent converts from the sports world, including former basketball great Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Hakeem Olajuwon of the NBA's Houston Rockets.

But he said Jabbar had expressed an interest in coming. Tyson, 28, has described Ali

as his boyhood hero. After his release from prison Tyson is expected to travel to Ohio to begin four years of probation, and probably to resume the boxing career that in 1986 made him the youngest heavyweight champion of the world.

"As of Saturday Mike Tyson will be free from incarceration," Siddeeq said. "At that time he will make a decision in his life as to what he will do. Our prayer is that he will be blessed and guided by God and be successful."

Penev banks on Bulgarian WC heroes

SOFIA, Mar 22: Bulgaria coach Dimitar Penev has called up eight foreign-based players, including Barcelona striker Hristo Stoichkov, for the European soccer championship qualifier against Wales on March 29 in Sofia, reports Reuter.

Stoichkov returned from Spain last Saturday after being suspended by coach Johan Cruyff for insulting his team-

mates last week. Penev is relying heavily on the players who took Bulgaria to the semifinals of the World Cup and who have so far beaten Georgia 2-0, Moldova 4-1 and Wales 3-0 in their Group Seven qualifying matches.

Among the 'foreigners' are striker Emil Kostadinov from Bayern Munich and midfielder Yordan Lechkov and libero Petar Hubchev from Hamburg.

Penev has also called up his nephew Lyuboslav Penev from Valencia, and Neuchatel Xamax defender Trifon Ivanov, as well as midfielder Krasimir Balakov and forward Ivaylo Yordanov from Sporting Lisbon.

SQUAD: Goalkeepers - Borislav Mikhailov, Dimitar Popov

Defenders- Emil Kremenliv. Trifon Ivanov. Tsanko Tsvetanov, Petar Hubchev, Ilian Kirvakov.

Midfielders - Zlatko Yankov, Krasimir Balakov, Yordan Lechkov, Deniel Borimirov, Ivailo Yordanov.

Forwards - Emil Kostadinov, Hristo Stoichkov, Lyuboslav Penev, Naskov Sirakov, Petar Mihtarski.

11 policemen hurt in football

violence

BELFAST, Mar 22: Eleven police officers were injured on Tuesday night after a second outbreak of violence between rival soccer fans in Belfast, reports Reuter.

Police fired plastic bullets into a crowd of bottle-throwing fans after trouble first broke out at half-time in the Irish Cup quarter-final replay between Cliftonville and Portadown.

Violence also marred the meeting of the sides last week. A number of spectators were injured after Portadown fans charged at rival fans at the opposite end of the ground and chased them over the perimetre fencing after their teams had played out a 1-1 draw.

Cliftonville have a large Catholic following while Portadown has a Protestant fan base. Portadown won the match 1-0.

Police said hooligans started throwing fireworks at Royal Ulster Constabulary (RUC) officers during the halftime break

Officers quelled the trouble but further violence erupted at the end of the game when fans broke through safety netting and invaded the pitch.

After the match more trouble erupted when a small group of Cliftonville supporters pelted police with stones and

bottles outside the ground. An RUC spokesman said: "Police managed to put supporters back on to the terraces but shortly after that the officers were attacked outside by people throwing bricks and bottles.

KEY BISCAYNE.



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But the score is no longer

so important. For Wilander, a

winner of seven Grand Slams

and once ranked No 1, the

Siemerink 6-4, 6-2 and ad-

vanced to the quarterfinals of

the Lipton Championships, re-

On Tuesday, he beat Jan

"When you have taken a

couple of years off, you start to

realize you are not going to be

able to compete in a profes-

sional sport for the rest of your

life," Wilander said. "Doing

something that near to perfec-

tion is a feeling impossible to

describe, and I think it is very

hard to get that feeling in any

Wilander will next play fel-

Pete Sampras assured him-

low Vaxjo, Sweden, native

Jonas Bjorkman, who beat

Karsten Braasch 3-6, 6-3, 6-1.

self of remaining atop the ATP

rankings for at least another

week by beating Bernd Kar-

bacher 6-2, 6-3. No 2 seed

Andre Agassi won the final five

games to beat MaliVai Wash-

third-highest seed remaining

- eliminated Todd Wood-

Steffi Graf, No 3 Jana Novotna

and No 5 Gabriela Sabatini won

easily. Rachel McQuillan,

ranked 88th, upset No 4 seed

Lindsay Davenport 7-6 (7-3),

0, 6-1 victory over No 13 seed

Judith Wiesner, advancing to

the quarterfinals in just 41

match I've played for quite

some time," Graf said. "I don't

think I could play better. Ev-

at 5-0, 40-love in the second

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Graf had three match points

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crowd roared. Florida, Mar 22: Novotna beat Larisa Neiland Mats Wilander 6-3. 6-3. Sabatini swept left tennis and Amanda Coetzer 6-1, 6-1. missed it. Now he's back, hugg-

Wilander became eligible for the 30-and-over division last August, and he's the oldest player left in the tournament. His Lipton record is 26-5, but

he surprised even himself with four victories in the past five

It's been 13 years since Wilander's first Grand Slam title. He was ranked No 1 in 1988 and '89, before a rapid decline

in 1990.

began. Ranked No 128, Wilander expects to enter about 20 tournaments in 1995 and plans to play for another couple of years. His last title came



Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina returns a volley to Amanda Coetzer of South Africa during their fourth round match in the Lipton Championships in Key Biscayne on Mar 21. Sabatini won 6-1, 6-1. - AFP/UNB photo

Guenter ruined me: Seles



minutes.

HAMBURG, Germany. Mar 22: Former world number one tennis player Monica Seles told a court

on Tuesday that a man who stabbed her two years ago had her life," reports "ruined Reuter.

Seles has not played a tournament since Guenter Parche. a 40-year-old lathe operator from eastern Germany, stabbed her in the back with a kitchen knife at the Hamburg Open in April 1993.

Dietrich Grossner, the surgeon who treated Seles after the stabbing, told the court that the knife could have killed her. He said it penetrated two or three centimetres and missed her lungs by only three cms.

"This knife can be used to peel potatoes but it can also be used to kill someone," he said.

Parche received a two-year suspended sentence for grievous bodily harm after the judge ruled he was emotionally retarded and might not have been completely responsible for his actions.

On Tuesday the court began examining appeals by 21-yearold Seles and Hamburg's public prosecutor for the sentence to be increased to five years in

Seles also wants Parche to

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be sentenced for attempted manslaughter instead of causing grievous bodily harm. Seles' lawyer Gerhard

Strate read out a letter in which she told the court she was unable to attend the hear-

"I only want justice, he (Parche) has ruined my life." Seles wrote. "The attack ended my career as the world's best

Schaller advances

CASABLANCA, Morocco. Mar 22: Top-seeded Gilbert Schaller of Austria advanced to the second round in the Casablanca Open Tuesday with a 6-4, 6-3 victory over Spain's Jordi Burillo, reports AP.

Two Spanish seeds lost in the first round. Ronald Agenor of Haiti beat No. 7 Jordi Arrese 6-3, 6-7 (5-7), 6-3 and Guillaume Raoux of France defeated No. 6 Oscar Martinez 7-5, 4-6, 6-1.

Three qualifiers made it to the second round. Felix Mantilla of Spain topped Nuno Marques of Portugal, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4; Emanuel Couto of Portugal downed Karim Alami of Morocco, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 and Jose Altur of Spain eliminated Mohamed Tidaoui of Morocco. 7-5, 5-7, 6-3.

worked so hard all my life." But Parche told the court he had intended only to injure

tennis player for which I

Seles slightly and put her out of action for a few weeks. He said he did not pose a danger to society. "It is completely out of the

question that I would injure anyone again," he said. "I couldn't even steal a bar of chocolate from a supermarket." He said he had acted out of love for Seles' German rival

Steffi Graf. He admitted that he still admired Graf but said: "I'm not as fanatical as I used to be." But Strate said Parche "took

into account the possibility of killing Miss Seles. We would then be talking about attempted murder instead of bodily

The hearing, taking place amid tight security, is expected to last several days.

Outside the court, another of Seles' lawyers. Wilhelm Danelzik, said talks were continuing with the German Tennis Federation over compensation for Seles' lost earnings.

"If we have not agreed in three months at the latest we will start a civil suit," Danelzik

In that case Seles would at least 10 million claim marks (7 million dollars), he added.

a miracle

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands. Mar 22: American Gata Kamsky, playing white and needing a victory, settled for a draw after 41 moves against Viswanathan Anand of India Tuesday in their 10th game of the Professional Chess Association candidates final series. reports AP.

Anand leads the series 5.5-4.5 points and could win the series on Wednesday if he wins the 11th game. One point is awarded for a win and a half point for a draw. The winner is the first to reach 6.5 points in the 12-game series.

A draw or a loss by Anand Wednesday would force the 12th game Thursday. If the two players are tied after the 12th game, a one-day play off will be contested Friday to decide the winner.

The survivor faces world champion Garri Kasparov in a title match in Cologne, Germany, in September. Needing to win after Sun-

day's loss, Kamsky opened with 1.d4 and Anand responded with the sharp Gruenfeld Defense as in the second game. In that game, Kamsky played the Modern Exchange Variation where the knight is developed on f3. On Tuesday, Kamsky went for the Old Fashioned Exchange Variation.

10. 0-0 is usual and leads to some of the most heavily analyzed lines in chess opening theory. Instead, Kamsky chose a minor theoretical backwater with 10. Rc1.13. Qb3 appears to be a new move (Ftacnik-1. Gurevich, Biel 1993 had seen 13. Qd2) and was harshly criticized by observers watching the game.

English Grandmaster Nigel Short called it a "lousy move."

Anand achieved active play for his pieces even though this allowed Kamsky to win a pawn on move 20. Dutch Grandmaster Hans Ree said that Anand's two bishops and active rook on the c-file would give him "reasonable compensation" for the pawn. "It must be enough to draw," he said.

Short said that black was without any problems."

But Short then criticized 22. ... Bxf5 saying that "22. ... gxf5 is an immediate draw." "Dutch Grandmaster Gert Ligterink called the move a blunder" and suggested instead 29. Rgl.

IBF rankings

LONDON, Mar 22: Leading world singles standings issued by the International Badminton Federation on Tuesday after the sixth event of the World Grand Prix series, the All-England Championships, held from March 14-18, reports Reuter. MEN

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(Denmark) 4. Fung Permadi (Taiwan) 550 5. Jens Olsson (Sweden) 535 6. Lee Kwang-Jin (South Korea) 490 7. Hendrawan (Indonesia)

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Indonesia) WOMEN 1. Lim Xiaoqing (Sweden) 2. Susi Susanti (Indonesia) 3. Camilia Martin (Denmark)

4. Bang Soo-Hyun (South Korea) 5. Ra Kyung-Min (South Korea) 6. Ye Zhaoying (China) 7. Han Jingna (China)

8. Mia Audina (Indonesia) 9. Lee Joo-Hyun (South Korea)

10. Yuliani Santoso (Indonesia) Next event: Malaysian Open. July 4-9, Kuala Lumpur.

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