

Scotland, Japan lock in draw

HIROSHIMA, May 21: Scotland and Japan struggled to a 0-0 draw in rain and puddles Sunday in the opener of the three-nation Kirin Cup soccer tournament, reports AP.

Scotland outshot the host team 9-2 but couldn't score in the game before 24,500 spectators at Hiroshima Big Arch in western Japan. The visitors were a man short after John Spencer received a red card in the 33rd minute.

The two teams played almost evenly in the first half, but the Scottish team launched a fierce offence in the second, outshooting the Japanese 7-1.

Scottish team head coach Craig Brown said, "We couldn't play our style, connecting the passes, as the ground conditions were very bad. We played with 10, but kept the ball."

Scotland's Rob McKinnon missed a 30-metre (100-foot) free-kick from the right 11 minutes into the game.

Brian Martin, who is playing on his country's national team for the first time, was wide with a 15-metre (50-foot), free-kick nine minutes later.

In the 23rd minute, Japanese goalkeeper Kazuya Maekawa saved a header by Craig Burley.

Japan's ace striker, Kazuyoshi Miura, who plays for Italy's First Division team Genoa, tried attacking in the 25th and 26th minutes. But the Scottish defence held him off the first time and then defender Alann McLarenn blocked his shot.

Dareen Jackson barely missed a shot, a cross from the right side, six minutes into the second half.

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Shamsul Bari (second from L), the general secretary of the Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHF), makes a point during a press briefing in connection with the Transcom national schools hockey championship at the federation office yesterday. —Star photo

Transcom national schools tourney from today

Sports Reporter

The Transcom national schools hockey championship involving twenty-four teams from all over the country will begin at city's Hockey Stadium from today.

This was disclosed by the organiser, Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHF), at a press briefing in the federation office yesterday.

Gazipur Harinal High School will take on Mirpur Bangla High School in the lone inaugural day engagement at 3.30 pm.

Nurul Amin, the tournament committee secretary, who spoke on the occasion, revealed that 24 schools including thirteen from the greater Dhaka district will be divided into two groups in the first phase to be played in knock-out basis.

Defending champions Narayanganj Govt High School will lead one group while the last year's runners-up Ahmed Bawani Academy will form the other group. And four top fin-

ishers from each group will qualify for the final round, schedule to begin from June 1. Presided over by the senior vice-president of the BHF Mirza Farid Ahmed, the briefing was also attended by Mrs Nazrul, the communication manager of the sponsors Transcom Limited.

The sponsors will provide taka 2.5 lakhs to cover the entire budget of the tourney.

TEAMS

GROUP A: Narayanganj High School, Munshiganj Multilateral High School, Haider Ali High School of Dhaka, Myemensingh Zilla School, Chittagong Govt. Muslim High School, Ghatail Gana High School, Faridpur Mayezuddin Multilateral High School, Sylhet Police Lines High School, Jessore Zilla School, Rangpur Karamatia High School, Dhaka Residential Model High School and Nabakumar Institution of Dhaka.

GROUP B: Dhaka Ahmed Bawani Academy, Gazipur

Harinal High School, Mirpur Bangla High School, Manikganj Model High School, Notre Dame High School, Barisal Zilla School, Rajshahi Medical Campus High School, Patuakhali Govt. Jubilee High School, Chittagong Municipal Model High School, Narsingdi Pilot High School, Mirpur Rotary High School and Armanitola Govt High School.

Aussie wrap up Test hockey series

BRISBANE, May 21: Australia wrapped up the six-Test field hockey series against England with a 5-0 win in the final Test here Saturday night, reports AFP.

Matthew Smith opened the scoring for Australia in the 15th minute when he collected a ball leading into the circle.

Striker Paul Lewis capped off an outstanding game with a hatrick of goals, the first of which came in the 27th minute from a reverse stick shot.

Australia led 2-0 at halftime and Lewis claimed his second goal of the match 10 minutes into the second half after gathering a rebound from the goalkeeper's pads.

Captain Mark Hager linked with fellow Queenslander Lee Bodmeade to stretch Australia's lead to 4-0 as light rain began to fall in the closing stages of the game.

In the final minutes of play, Lewis scored his third to close out the series 5-0 for Australia. In the earlier Tests, Australia won 4-1, 3-1, 4-0, 3-1 and drew 3-3 Wednesday for a total of 22 goals to six.

Australia will travel to New Zealand for the Oceania Cup against New Zealand and Fiji next week where the winner will automatically qualify for next year's Atlanta Olympics.

Magic makes all anxious

INGLEWOOD, California, May 21: Magic Johnson has stirred up Los Angeles fans again with hints that he is planning to resume his National Basketball Association career with the Lakers, reports AFP.

Johnson, now the club's vice president, would have to give up his five per cent ownership of the club, since NBA rules owners' bar from playing.

"There's a good chance," Johnson told the Orange County Register newspaper, adding that his wife had approved of a comeback bid.

"If you had asked me last year, I knew I would never come back with the team and with the attitude [of the Lakers players]," he said in an interview with the Los Angeles Daily News.

"But now that Nick [Van Exel] has emerged, it's easier to come back if I decide to," Van Exel, a second-year point guard, has stepped up as the Lakers' leader on the floor. The team reached the western conference semifinals, where they were eliminated this week by San Antonio.

It was a big improvement on the previous season, when Johnson took over in the final month and coached the team to a 5-11 record in the last 14 games.

Jerry West, the Lakers' executive vice president of basketball operations, said he would be glad to have Johnson back, but wants a decision soon.

"Somebody has to make a decision," he said. "You can't stay on the fence all the time."

Johnson, who retired in November, 1991 after learning he had the AIDS virus, made a brief comeback bid a year later, but stepped down when he suffered a cut during a pre-season game that sparked health concerns among some other players.

A sweet revenge for Kasparov

COLOGNE, Germany, May 21: Garry Kasparov, widely considered one of the best chess players of all time, on Saturday got his revenge against a souped-up computer programme, eight months after he sent the chess world into shock by losing to the machine, reports AFP.

After watching Kasparov beat the machine by 1.5 points to 0.5 — a first game won and the second fought to a draw — a watching Grandmaster remarked this is good news for humanity.

The Georgian-born champion initially seemed to be having a hard time to counter the machine, then he began to get the measure of it, taking the first game to a win in 39 moves. The second game went more quickly.

The trouble with computers, he remarked, "is that once you've made a programme, you can't change it in mid-stream."

The so-called "genius" programme, which beat Kasparov in London last September, was written by a former NASA engineer, Marty Hirsch. It runs on an ordinary personal computer fitted with Intel Corp's latest pentium microprocessor.

Rusedski rolls into final

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida, May 21: Hard-serving Greg Rusedski outlasted a three-hour rain delay and a cold to advance to his first final on clay at America's Red Clay Tennis Championship on Saturday night, reports AP.

Rusedski, the sixth seed, defeated No 8 Javier Frana of Argentina 7-6 (8-6), 6-4. On Sunday, he will play unseeded Todd Woodbridge of Australia in the final for the 32,600 dollars first prize.

Woodbridge, an eight-year pro, will be seeking his first singles title in his fifth final appearance after edging countryman and doubles partner Mark Woodforde, the fourth seed, 1-6, 7-5, 7-5, in a late semifinal.

Rusedski, 21, whose serve was clocked at 219 kph (137 mph) against Michael Chang in San Jose this year, is seeking his third title. The 58th-ranked Canadian won on grass in Newport in 1993 when he defeated Frana in the final, and earlier last month on a hard court at Seoul.

"I guess I became a clay courtier this week," said Rusedski, who had six aces, giving him 34 for the week.

Frana, ranked 47th, has reached the semis and two finals in his last four tournaments. He matched Rusedski serve for serve into the first-set tie-breaker.

"My last match took almost all the I had," Frana said of his three-set quarterfinal victory over Nicolas Pereira.

Under a steady drizzle, Rusedski led 4-1 after two straight service winners, but Frana countered with three straight points. At 4-5, Frana sprayed a backhand, setting up two set points for Rusedski.

The rain increased and play was suspended for 3:15.

"I knew I had to win the first set because I didn't have enough energy," said Rusedski, who has been nursing a cold all week.

After the delay, Rusedski muffed a service return and double-faulted before a volley winner set up point No. 3, which he cashed in when Frana's backhand found net.

Clay court masters' clash

ROME, May 21: Thomas Muster and Sergi Bruguera, seeded seventh and eighth but arguably the two best clay court players in the world, scored contrasting semifinal wins in the Italian Open on Saturday, reports Reuter.

The gutsy Muster was pushed hard by South African fourth seed Wayne Ferreira before storming back to win 3-6, 6-1, 6-3 for his 27th straight victory on clay, a surface on which he has already won four titles this season.

Bruguera, who will begin his quest for a third straight French Open title in little over a week, took advantage of one of Goran Ivanisevic's pe-

riodic off days, beating the third-seeded Croatian 6-4, 6-4. Nothing typified the Muster spirit better than the sixth game of the final set. Trailing 0-40, the Austrian took the next five points to level the score at 3-3.

"After saving the three break points everything went my way," he said.

Muster then ruthlessly finished off Ferreira, ending it with a superb lob and earning a standing ovation from the Foro Italico crowd.

Muster, who had won all but one of his 27 career titles on clay, is seeking to repeat his 1990 triumph.

He predicted a great best-of-five-set final. "Sergi is back to good form and it'll be a good match for both of us to show

what we're capable of," he said. "We should book the court up for the whole afternoon."

Bruguera avenged his defeat by Ivanisevic at the same stage of the German Open in Hamburg last weekend. It was also third time lucky in Rome for the Spaniard, a beaten semifinalist here in 1989 and 1991.

The temperamental Ivanisevic, seeded three, lost his cool in the second set as Bruguera took control of the match. He picked up a verbal warning in the fifth game after throwing his racket into the dirt for the third time in a matter of minutes.

His mood hardly improved when he was called for a foot fault when serving a winner that would have cancelled out a match point. Bruguera won the point on the second serve to take the match in just 72 minutes.

Ivanisevic was disappointed with his own performance: "I was serving badly and returning even worse," he said. "I wasn't being patient and was trying to hit too many winners."

He said he had resisted the temptation to say anything to the line judge who had called his foot fault: "I wanted to say something but it would only hurt me. I could get fined or suspended," he said.

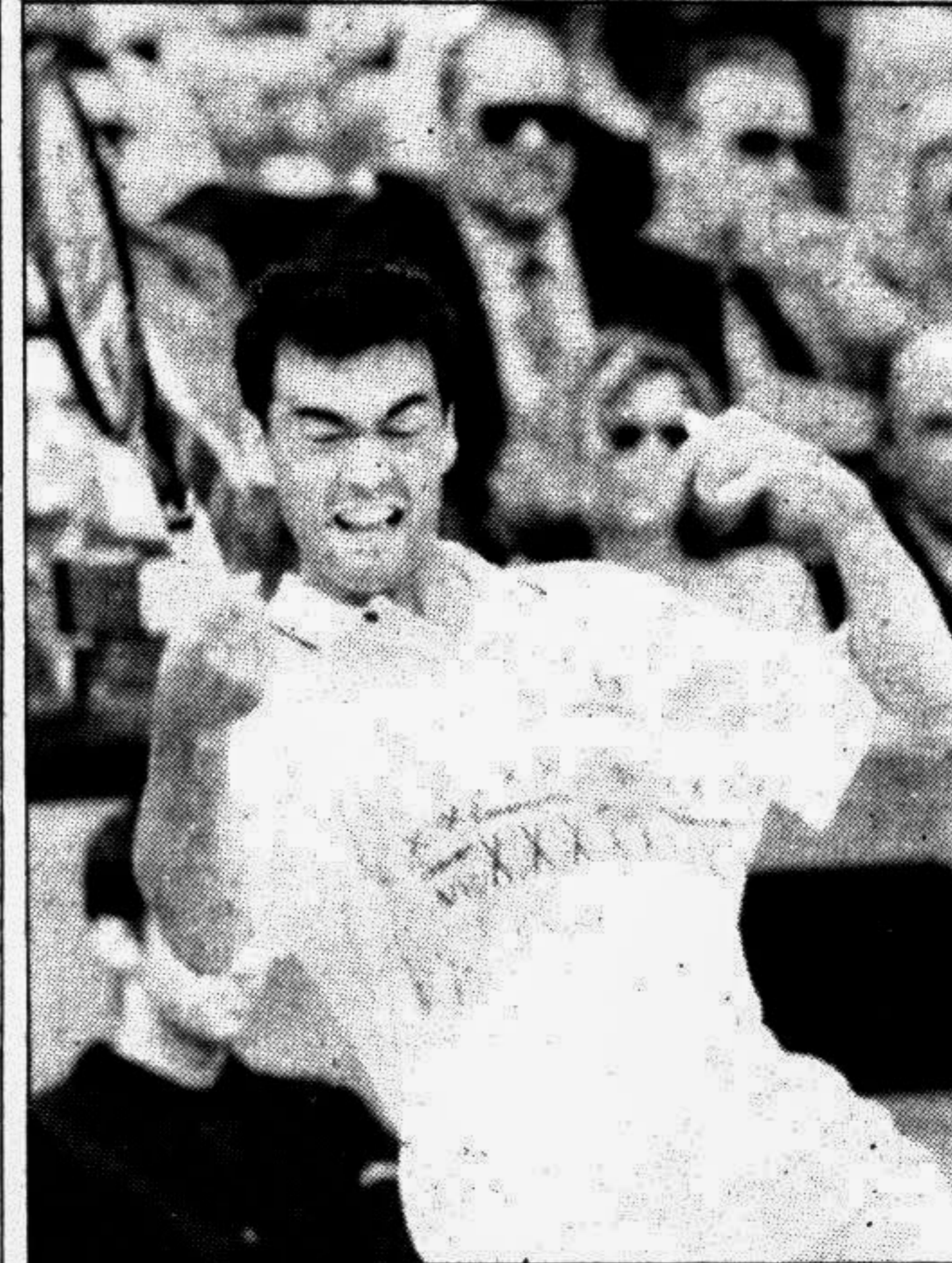
"But I still think he is what I think he is," he added with a smile.

Indonesia in Sudirman Cup final

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, May 21: Indonesia, who beat holders South Korea in Saturday's semi-finals, face China in Sunday's Sudirman Cup badminton final, reports AP.

A 4-1 win over South Korea, who had beaten them in the 1991 and 1993 finals, earned Indonesia their fourth consecutive final appearance. Indonesia's last win was in 1989 when South Korea were the beaten finalists.

China, who took a winning 3-0 lead over Denmark in their semi-final, reached their first final.



Spaniard Sergi Bruguera makes a forehand return against Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia during their semifinal clash of the Italian Open in Rome on May 20. Bruguera won 6-4, 6-4. — AFP/UNB photo

Arantxa's dream comes true

BERLIN, May 21: Arantxa Sanchez Vicario left no doubt she is ready to defend her French Open title Sunday, outclassing the Bulgarian's Magdalena Maleeva in a one-sided match to claim the German Open, reports AP.

The top-seeded Spaniard dominated from the start against the World No 9, winning 6-4, 6-1 and hammering Maleeva with perfect passing shots, drop shots and unanswerable volleys at the net.

Sanchez Vicario joined an exclusive list of winners at the tournament during the past 11 years — only Chris Evert, Monica Seles and Steffi Graf have claimed titles.

The World No 1 also proved she's ready for the French Open, which begins May 29, as she played her best match of the tournament.

"It's a dream comes true for me — I played super," the Spaniard said. "I'm in good form and the win gives me a lot of confidence for the French Open."

Maleeva, the fifth seed, had fought her way into the finals by winning the key points as she ousted Australian Open

winner Mary Pierce of France and Belarus' Natasha Zvereva, the No 7 seed.

But it was Sanchez Vicario, who claimed every big point Sunday.

The Spaniard broke the Bulgarian's serve to take a 3-2 lead in the first set. Afterwards she allowed the youngest of the three tennis-playing

Camenzind int'l cycle race champ

SAKAI, Japan, May 21: Oscar Camenzind of Switzerland won the men's title by a wide margin Sunday and American Elizabeth Emery took the women's championship in the six-leg '95 International Cycle Road Race, reports AP.

Camenzind finished second in the series' final race Sunday, 0.25 seconds behind Borja Izcarra of Spain, and ended up with 14 points. Swiss compatriot Andrea Guidotti was a distant second with 68 points, followed by Japan's Takayuki Kakinoiki with 73.

Camenzind won two races and Guidotti one in the series. Standings are based on one point for first place, two for second and so on.

Maleeva sisters to mount only one challenge.

Maleeva trailed 3-4 in the first set. She had two break balls against Sanchez-Vicario, who pressured her into two forehand errors and hit a passing shot that nicked the line to save the game.

"I played well, but full credit to Arantxa — she was excellent," said Maleeva.

Sanchez-Vicario had twice before stood in the finals, only to fall victim to Graf, the eight-time winner of the tournament.

"I don't know, but they say the third time is the charm," said the 23-year-old.

Although 17 of the world's top 20 players had signed up for the event, the German Open this year was plagued by stormy weather and defections. The main dropout was Graf, who bowed out due to flu.

The German superstar had dominated the tournament since she burst onto the international tennis stage as a 14-year-old, reaching the finals in 1985 before being stopped by Chris Evert.

The Spaniard earned dms 148,500 for her title, while Maleeva took home dms 59,500.

ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন শ্রমজীবী হাসপাতাল, নয়াবাজার, ঢাকা ফোন: ১৪০০৬৬-৯

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No. 4(6) Engg Dated, the 20-5-95 UNIVERSITY OF DHAKA: Sealed tenders in Dhaka University From 'Tender for works' are hereby invited from the enlisted contractors (Bldg) of Dhaka University for the undermentioned works and will be received by the undersigned up to 12 Noon on the dates mentioned against each work & opened on the same day at 12:15 PM in presence of the contractors who may remain present. Contractors will have to deposit as earnest money a sum of taka as stated below in Demand Draft or Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh. Specifications and other particulars may be had from office of the undersigned up to 12 noon on all working days except on the date fixed for submitting the tender after depositing the cost of tender forms and schedule as stated below against each work to the Janata Bank, TSC branch (non-refundable) after showing the necessary enlistment papers endorsed by the undersigned.

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Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

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YESTERDAY'S CRYPTOQUIP: LETHARGIC ESCALATOR REPAIRMAN SPENT HIS TIME STAIRING INTO SPACE. Today's Cryptoquip clue: S equals M. The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.