

MSC DMFA Cup champs

Sports Reporter



Two superb goals from Arman Miah enabled Mohammedan Sporting Club clinch the Nirma DMFA Cup football tournament title with a comfortable 3-1 win over Brothers in the final at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Arman, the fleet-footed Mohammedan midfielder, gave his side a second minute lead with a gem of a side-volley before Brothers Nigerian striker Chibujor neutralised the margin by a spectacular header eight minutes later.

welcome relief for the black and whites, who were at the receiving end against a spirited display by the Brothers frontliners.

But the scenario changed as soon as Arman scored his second goal from nowhere on a heavy outfield. A rejuvenated Mohammedans then took complete control of the match and deservedly got another goal in the 54th minute through their striker Asaduz-zaman.

The win, gave Mohammedans the title for the third time. For Mohammedans

Alfaz through pass from the left, sent a neat cross to Arman, whose volley left Brothers custodian Kawsar bewildered.

But the joy was short-lived when Chibujor one of the three Nigerian recruits of Brothers Union stunned Ponir, the national keeper of Mohammedans with a brilliant header from the middle of the box.

The equaliser suddenly settled the Gopibagh outfit into a groove with their three Nigerians and Bakhtiar, who almost gave his side the lead in the

sent the ball wide off the mark.

And two minutes later Arman was almost right on target for his third goal. But his shot was miraculously saved by Brothers captain Pijush, who saved the ball from goaline.

However, Brothers also had their share of scoring opportunities. But Chibujor and Christopher spoiled two easy chances shooting way over the crossbar. And in the 80th minute when Don slotted the ball with Ponir at his mercy, Brothers' hopes of a fightback were evaporated.

The defeat meant last year's losing finalists were yet again left pondering with another runners-up trophy and a cash award of Taka 50,000.

Mohammedans got a cash award of Taka one lakh along with the championship trophy.

Food Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan, who was the chief guest on the concluding day of the meet, distributed prizes among the winners.

TEAMS

MOHAMMEDAN SC: Ponir, Alamgir (Parvez), Kaiser Hamid, Ruhul Amin, Jewel, Rana, Munna, Manik, Arman, Ranjan, Alfaz (Rupit) and Asad.

BROTHERS UNION: Pijush, Bishu, Saroj, Pappu (Ripon), Christopher, Lulu, Bakhtiar, Amir Khan, Shimul, Chibujor and Don.

Referee: R Alam.

ROLL OF HONOUR

Year	Champions	Runners-up
1984	Mohammedan SC	Brothers
1991	Mohammedan SC	Brothers Union
1994	Mohammedan SC	Brothers Union
1995	Mohammedan SC	Brothers Union



Mohammedans football secretary Badal Roy (R) congratulates Arman, the hero of the black and whites' 3-1 win over Brothers Union in the final of the Nirma DMFA Cup at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday. To Arman's right is coach Abu Yusuf. — Star photo

But the dapper Mohammedan play-maker, who rejoined his former club this year after playing for MuktiFodda last season, struck yet another magnificent goal with a scorching low drive from about 30-yard soon after the match resumed for a 47-minute stoppage.

The highly enterprising finale of the curtain-raiser meet was suspended in the 37th minute due to a heavy down-pour accompanied by gusty wind.

The rain virtually brought a

It was a moment to savour champions as they finished unbeaten.

Furthermore, this was their first trophy after a disappointing show last year where they finished titleless.

In front of an almost capacity crowd at the Dhaka Stadium the high-voltage drama started with forays and counter forays with Mohammedans taking the lead from their first positive attack.

Ranjan, the speedy Mohammedan forward with a lethal left foot, latched on to a

21st minute with a powerful right footer from the edge of the box. But thanks to a brilliant save from Ponir, who fisted away the ball for a corner diving to his left.

The rain soaked encounter then turned into a Arman show, who not only scored the second goal but also remained as the linchpin of every Mohammedan attack in the second half.

In the 50th minute, Manik after receiving a defence splitting through from Arman,

Cowdrey key to Kent's win

LONDON, May 22: Graham Cowdrey struck a thunderous Sunday League best of 105 not out off 62 balls to power Kent to their seventh successive victory in English one-day cricket this season, reports Reuter.

Cowdrey, son of former England and Kent captain Sir Colin Cowdrey, hit three sixes and 15 fours in his whirlwind innings as his team beat Hampshire by 66 runs in the 40-over competition at Southampton.

Kent, who won all four limited-overs matches in the group stage of the Benson and Hedges Cup, thrashed Hampshire's attack with 276 for five.

Cowdrey and captain Mark Benson (92) put on 145 in 16 overs for the third-wicket, with England off-spinner Shaun Udal having 77 runs hit off his eight overs.

None of the Hampshire batsmen could play the lengthy innings needed, opener Sean Morris making top score of 46 in their 210 for six.

Kent's three wins in as many games made them joint leaders with Lancashire and Surrey.

Surrey, boosted by a savage 49 not out from all-rounder Adam Hoolioake, snatched a 14-run victory over Northamptonshire at Northampton.

Opener Darren Bicknell (76) gave Surrey a solid base before they lashed 63 in the last five overs to end with 256 for five. Hoolioake hitting four sixes and three fours, Pacesman Joey Benjamin took three for 51 as Northants replied with 242 for seven.

Australian-born Gallian, who has played for the England A team, took two for 11 as Middlesex were restricted to 155 for nine. He then hit 51 not out off 70 deliveries in the winning reply which included 75 from 80 balls by John Crawley.

Trope champions Warwickshire, already out of the Benson and Hedges Cup they won last season, continued to struggle in their defence of the Sunday League title.

They slumped to their third consecutive defeat when Durham pulled off a tense two-run victory at Chester-Le-Street despite making only a modest 132 for nine.

Juventus break the jinx

ROME, May 22: Juventus secured their first Italian League Championship for nine years on Sunday with a resounding 4-0 victory over second-placed Parma in Turin, reports Reuter.

Two goals from Fabrizio Ravanelli and strikes from Gianluca Viali and Frenchman Didier Deschamps brought the Turin side their title in a match Parma had to win to keep alive their hopes of snatching the championship from Juve's grasp.

The new champions now enjoy an insurmountable 10-point lead over Parma with just two matches remaining.

Italy's Roberto Baggio celebrated his first-ever Italian title by playing a key role in each of Juve's opening three goals.

First, the gifted playmaker masterminded a counter-attack from deep in his own half for Ravanelli's 11th minute opener.

Then, in the 38th minute, Baggio's neat back heel set-up Deschamps for his side's second before, in the 65th, a superb through ball laid on Viali's 16th goal of the season.

Ravanelli completed the humiliation with a fourth in the 69th minute to help Juventus claim quick revenge for their mid week UEFA Cup final setback against the same Parma side.

Lazio joined European Cup finalists AC Milan in a share of third place after Dutchman Aron Winter's 81st minute winner accounted for Sampdoria at the Olympic Stadium in Rome.

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English booter's miraculous escape

LONDON, May 22: An English footballer fell, around 60 feet (18 metres) down a lift shaft in a Spanish hotel — and survived, his parents said on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Hull City player Simon Dakin, 20, fell down the shaft on Monday after rescuers tried to help him out of a lift which stuck between two floors in his hotel on Tenerife.

Dakin fell six floors, fracturing several ribs and bruising his lungs, his parents Rod and Connie Dakin told Reuters.

But the English Second Division player is expected to be home and back playing soon. "Hopefully he'll be coming out (of hospital) on Wednesday," Rod Dakin said.

Hull manager Terry Nolan said: "The news we have is that he's fractured his ribs and bruised his lungs. We don't know how far he's fallen but if it was 60 feet he's very fortunate to have just fractured his ribs."

Three-day match against Somerset drawn

Ambrose, Richie Windies' worry

TAUNTON, England, May 22: Soft beds and the poor form of Curtly Ambrose and Richie Richardson are giving West Indies sleepless nights two days before their limited overs series against England, reports Reuter.

Fast bowler Ambrose emerged from the three-day game against Somerset that ended in a draw on Sunday, with match figures of none for 113 from 19 overs.

Captain Richardson, who opened the second innings to give himself every opportunity to find form, fell leg before for a fourth ball duck and has now managed only 22 runs from four innings against county opposition.

West Indies, 148 ahead on first innings, declared at 176 for three to leave Somerset needing 325 to win off 48 overs, a task they not surprisingly declined and were 159 for two when the match ended.

Ambrose, who 24 hours earlier had littered his bowling with 11 no-balls, overstepped a further four times on the last day to indicate real run-up problems.

His line, as well as his feet, were all wrong as he first fed opener Mark Lathwell on leg

Kapil's money on India

JAMPUR, May 22: Ace all-rounder Kapil Dev today backed the India as the strongest contenders for the Willis World Cup 1996, reports PTI.

The former Indian captain, told reporters after an awards function here, that in his opinion, the India would win the World Cup to be jointly hosted by India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka in February-March next year.

"We have a balanced team and playing on home pitches and before a big home crowd certainly gives us an advantage," he said.

Asked whether he would prefer a place in the field or in the commentators' box, he said he was happy, the way things were.

Parlour fined

HONG KONG, May 22: A court fined Arsenal's Ray Parlour 2,000 Hong Kong dollars (256 dollars) Monday for hitting a cab driver after an all-night celebration of his English soccer team's victory over a Hong Kong side, reports AP.

stump and then gave the batsman room on the outside.

Lathwell seized the chance to make his maiden first-class half century of the season, stroking 13 boundaries on the way to 76.

With Courtney Walsh being nursed along gently because of a shoulder strain and Kenny Benjamin under treatment for a stiff back, West Indies' pace attack looked short of its fearsome best ahead of the opening one-day international at Trent Bridge on Wednesday.

Coach Andy Roberts said: "If a fast bowler loses his rhythm as Curtly has done it doesn't all come back suddenly. But I'm satisfied he is running in okay and it will come right."

Ambrose, like Benjamin and seven other members of the squad, are complaining of sore backs, and Roberts said: "It's caused by soft hotel beds. We are going to ring ahead to the next hotel and see if we can get harder beds. Curtly can never get one to fit him in England because he's so tall."

Richardson's sequence of low scores continued when he shuffled in front of his stumps to give pace bowler Graham Rose a first-over wicket.

"I'm not worried," insisted Richardson. "I feel one good innings is all I need."

The touring team could at least draw encouragement from the form of opener Sherwin Campbell, who followed his first innings 93 with 80.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the final day of the three-day match between Somerset and West Indies on Sunday:

WEST INDIES: First innings 449-8 declared (C. Hooper 176, S Campbell 93, J Adams 91)

SOMERSET: First innings (overnight 301-9) M Lathwell b Walsh 7, M Trescothick c Browne b Benjamin 24, P Bowler c Browne b Benjamin 84, R Harden c and b Dhanraj 78, A Hayhurst hit wicket b Walsh 7, K Parsons c Browne b Walsh 0, G Rose c Browne b Walsh 15, S Ecclestone b Dhanraj 6, R Turner not out 12, Mushtaq Ahmed c Chanderpal b Dhanraj 12, H Trump not out 1, Extras: (lb-3, nb-52) 55, Total: (for nine wickets declared) 301

Fall of wickets: 1-13; 2-60; 3-210; 4-238; 5-238; 6-254; 7-268; 8-276; 9-292.

Bowling O M R W
Ambrose 9 1 64 0
Walsh 18 2 77 4
Benjamin 17 4 56 2
Hooper 15 1 47 0
Dhanraj 20 5 49 3
Arthurton 4 1 5 0

WEST INDIES: Second innings R Richardson lbw b Rose 0, S Campbell st Turner b Trump 80, K Arthurton c Rose b Trump 38, S Chanderpal not out 50, Extras: (lb-1) 7, Total: (for three wickets declared) 176

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-88; 3-164

Bowling O M R W
Rose 10 3 53 1
Parsons 6 1 20 0
Trescothick 5 1 23 0
Hayhurst 3 0 19 0
Mushtaq 8 2 28 0
Trump 12.4 3 32 2



The players and officials of Mohammedan Sporting Club, who clinched the Nirma DMFA Cup for third time after defeating Brothers Union 3-1 in the final at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

Euro Cup final tomorrow

VIENNA, May 22: AC Milan's Montenegrin striker Dejan Savicevic was expected to be fit for Wednesday's European Cup final against Ajax, coach Fabio Capello confirmed on Monday, reports Reuter.

The Dutch club reported a worry over Frank Rijkaard, struggling to shrug off a knee injury.

Capello said he was pleased with the way that Savicevic was responding to treatment for a thigh strain. "He's able to run flat out," he said. "He wanted to start working with the ball again but we made him stick to the schedule the doctors have given him."

Savicevic has missed Milan's last two league matches because of the injury.

Capello was not expected to risk midfielder Stefano Eranio, also struggling with a thigh muscle problem.

The coach is expected to select veteran Roberto Donadoni rather than the gifted Gigi Lentini to play-wide on the right in place of Eranio.

Lentini, finally recapturing peak form almost two years after a near-fatal car crash, was expected to begin the match on the bench.

It was more hard luck for Eranio, who missed last year's European Cup final and World Cup because of a serious Achilles injury.

Milan on Sunday studied videos of their 2-0 Champions' League defeat by Ajax in Tri-

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Memo No. MOHFW/CMMU/Bid/95/1052 Dated: May 21, 1995

ADDENDUM NO. 1

To Bid Notice Memo No. MOHFW/CMMU/Bid/95/909 Dated: April 30, 1995.

1. Name of Project : Repair, renovation, maintenance and extension of health facilities by GOB fund.

10. Bid Receiving date and time : 25.05.95 up to 14.00 hrs (in place of 22.05.95 up to 14.00 hrs.)

12. Bid Opening date and time : 25.05.95 at 15.00 hrs (in place of 25.05.95 at 15.00 hrs)

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

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Transcom schools hockey

Harinal swamp Mirpur Bangla

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A brilliant hat-trick by Ataur Rahman propelled Harinal High School to begin their Transcom national schools hockey championship campaign with a thumping 6-0 win over Mirpur Bangla High School at the Hockey Stadium yesterday.

Appearing in the lone match on the opening day of the 24-team first leg, the Gazipur boys simply ran over their opponents and duly led the first half 2-0 with Al-Amin and Din Mohammed scoring in the 18th and 21st minute respectively.

After the breather, Ataur Rahman compounded Mirpur Bangla's misery adding three more goals in a span of only seven minutes. He scored his first goal in the 59th minute before competing his treble with strikes in the 63rd and 65th minute respectively.

Al-Amin, who opened the winners' account, then rounded off the tally scoring the last goal minutes away from the final whistle of the 70-minute stop watch time.

Earlier, Prof Maizuddin Ahmed, the chairman of the Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board, declared the meet open. The opening ceremony was also attended by the senior vice president of the organiser Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHG) Mirza Farid Ahmed, general secretary of the BHF Shamsul Bari and Rizwana Nazrul, the communication manager of the sponsors Transcom Limited.

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