

Column One SPORTS TALK



Paulo Rossi

(Italian soccer star) "It would have been better if I had been appraised a bit less, and the rest of the money had gone to housing or some other project."

DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

HAT imperialism has at least one positive feature. Without the Romans, the British, the French, the Dutch and other European adventurers, sports and games would never have been as international, as global as in the present. It's amazing, but the game of hockey was played by the Nile thousands of years ago.

During Bangladesh's War of Liberation, India and Pakistan were at loggerheads politically, but hockey matches between them went on as usual.

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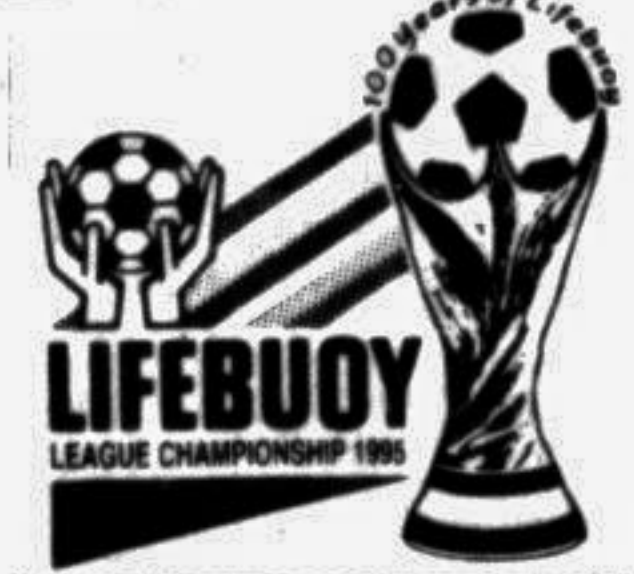
Table with 5 questions and multiple choice options. Question 1: Who captained the Swadhin Bangla football team? Question 2: How many goals did Pelé score for Brazil? Question 3: Sir Gary Sobers scored 365 not out against which country? Question 4: Which boxer became known as the 'Louisville Lip'? Question 5: The 1996 Olympic Games will be held in which city?

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Abahani manage to win

Defending champions Abahani Krira Chakra moved another step forward in their quest for repeating last year's feat when they edged past relegation-threatened Rahmatganj Musher Friends Society by 2-1 goals in a second leg encounter of the Lifebuoy Premier Division football league at the floodlit Dhaka Stadium on Saturday.

Sports Reporter header which went away. Aslam once again tried vainly when he made a weak header, although Rahmatganj custodian Lahul fumbled, but none of the Abahani forwards could take advantage of the situation.



Just before the breather Mouna once again took the driving seat with a thunderous 25-yard shot. The goal originated from a corner by Christian, who flicked the ball to Lorenzo. The latter crossed to the goalmouth and the Rahmatganj defender Biplob Marma in a bid to thwart the attempt headed the ball to facilitate Mouna.

Abahani spirit appeared dampened later in the half. In the first minute of the second half Lorenzo entered the danger zone with a solo run but was effectively blocked by Lahul. Two minutes later Lorenzo took a long range shot which was deflected by Lahul for a corner. But Lahul could not prevent Abahani from doubling the margin.

Boys, Police split points

Sports Reporter Bangladesh Boys and Police Athletic Club played to a one-all draw in the lone Lifebuoy First Division football league match at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

The draw now left Bangladesh Boys raise their collection to 16 points from 11 matches while Police earn 11 from as many encounters.



Abahani's Romanian striker Lorenzo chases the ball in vain as the visibly relieved Rahmatganj custodian looks on during their Lifebuoy Premier Division football league encounter held at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Biman's carnival cut short

Bangladesh Biman made an ignominious exit from the Benson and Hedges Cricket carnival when Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) handed them a crushing 123-run defeat in one of the two semifinals at the RRIC Ground in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on Friday.

Among the Biman bowlers, left-arm seamer Anisur Rahman, with a four-wicket haul, was the most successful in an otherwise depleted attack. But Anis, on loan from

GMCC, gave 68 runs in his nine overs. The Indians, who set the field afire hitting each and every Biman bowler around the ground, were particularly harsh on Mohammed Rafique, who conceded highest 75 runs in his ten overs.

Rapid chess from Aug 23

Sports Reporter The Afzar rapid chess tournament, organised by country's lone Grand Master Niaz Murshed, will begin at the NSC chess room from August 23.

Transcom bridge

M Waliul Haque and N H Shamsuzzaman Kamal lifted the Khandker Faez Sobhan Trophy by winning the Transcom national pair duplicate bridge championship, 1995 which concluded here on Friday, reports BSS.

Hamps skip humiliation

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Aug 19: Hampshire, whose bowlers were savaged by Carl Hooper during his 195 on Thursday redeemed themselves with a staunch batting performance to draw with West Indies on Friday, reports Reuters.

Basten bids San Siro adieu

MILAN, Aug 19: Retiring Dutch striker Marco Van Basten received an emotional, standing ovation from a crowd of 63,000 Friday night as he paraded the San Siro field to say goodbye for the last time to AC Milan fans, reports AP.



The 19-member Indian Olympic (under-23) football team who are in Dhaka to play two exhibition matches, pose for photographers at the Zia International Airport upon their arrival yesterday afternoon.

Muktis take on Indians today

Sports Reporter The visiting Indian Olympic football team will take on star-studded Muktijoddha Sangsad Krira Chakra at 5:30 pm at Dhaka Stadium today.

Dhaka yesterday afternoon. After witnessing the Lifebuoy Premier Division match between Abahani and Rahmatganj their Uzbek coach Dr Rustam Akramov expressed dissatisfaction at the amount of time his team has had to prepare for their qualifying matches.

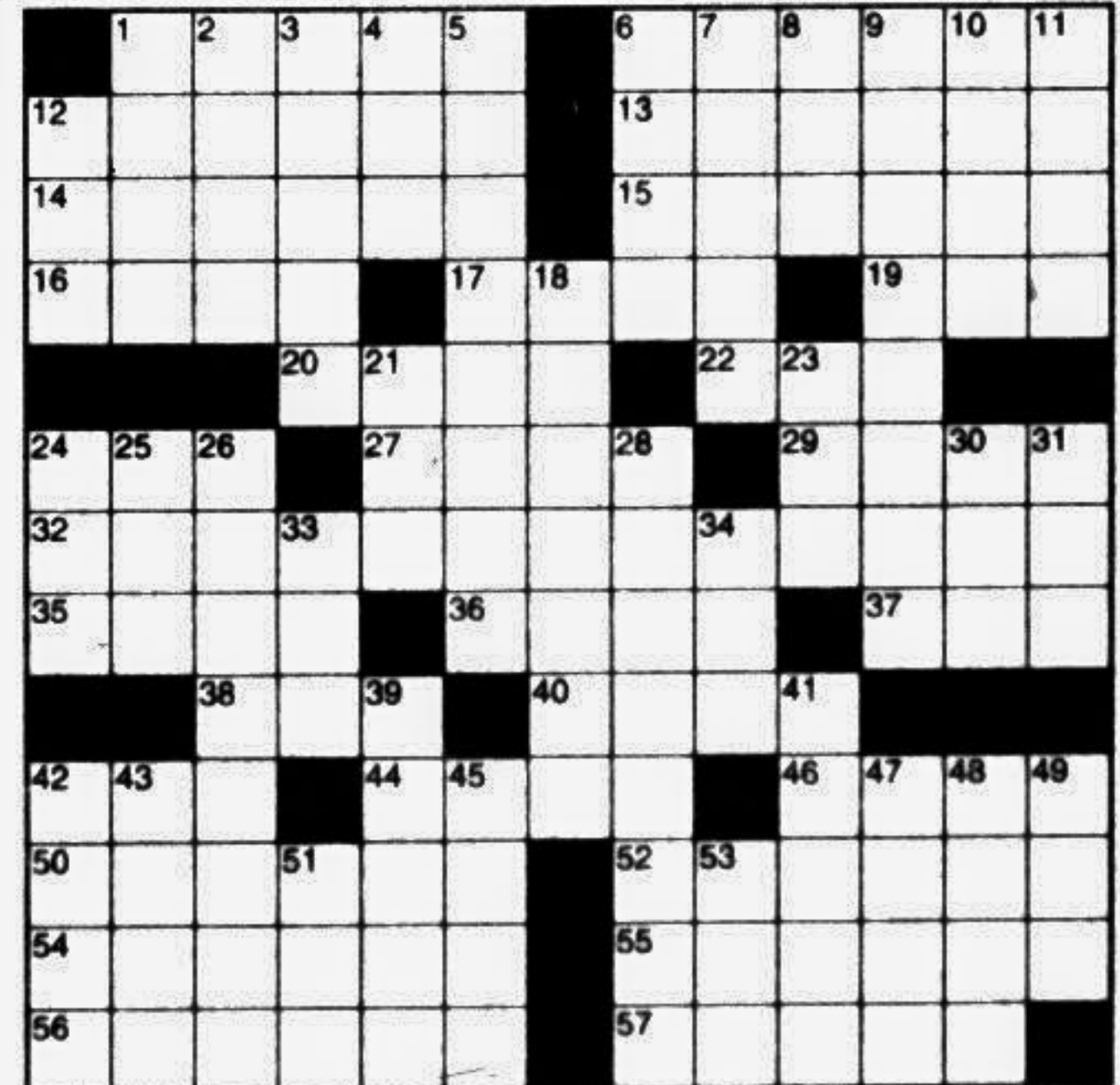
Oman in the first round of the qualifying matches. They are scheduled to play away in Pakistan on October 11, in Oman on October 18. Their home matches are to be held on October 22nd (Pakistan) and October 29th (Oman).



The Bangladesh women's handball team takes a breather during their ongoing preparation for the 6th Commonwealth Youth handball competition which is to commence in Dhaka on August 24.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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