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FUKUOKA, Japan, Aug 23: The heir to Japan's throne formally opened the World University Games Wednesday night...

Bartova better's own mark

LINZ, Austria, Aug 23: Daniela Bartova of the Czech Republic broke her own women's world pole vault record when she cleared 4.21 metres at an international athletics meeting on Tuesday...

Cologne. Bartova was forced to give up her original career as a gymnast after putting on too much weight. She collected 1,700 dollars for setting the world record...



DANIELA BARTOVA ... flying high in 54.20 seconds. Donovan Bailey of Canada, the world champion over 100 metres, had planned to race in Linz but had to pull out with a back injury.

Belgians in last four

DUBLIN, Aug 23: Belgium were surprise qualifiers for the semifinals of the European Nations Cup when they held the Netherlands to a 1-1 draw on Tuesday...

It is the first time Belgium have reached the semifinals, a scenario which had appeared unlikely earlier when Spain gave themselves every chance of qualifying by beating Scotland 3-0.

The Spanish victory meant Belgium had to get at least a point from the Dutch and they held on defiantly after taking the lead from their first corner...

Earlier in the day England made sure of their semifinal place for the fifth time in seven attempts with a comfortable 4-0 win over Belarus.

The unrelated Thomsons, Rob and Nick, ensured England joined the already qualified Netherlands in the last four by sharing the goals.

Germany were virtually guaranteed to join England from Group B when Ireland, their only rivals for that place, failed to beat Poland with whom they drew 1-1.

Canadian cagers crush Bahamas

NEUQUEN, Argentina, Aug 23: Canada, led by Joey Vickery's six 3-pointers and 22 points, beat the Bahamas 130-89 Tuesday in the eight-count Olympic qualification basketball tournament...

Canada, 3-2 in round-robin play, need to win Wednesday against Brazil or Thursday against Argentina to advance to the semifinals.

In other games, Oscar Schmidt scored 38 points as Brazil beat Cuba 110-95; Puerto Rico improved to 5-0 with an 89-83 victory over Uruguay...

Washington whacks Edberg

COMMACK, New York, Aug 23: American Malival Washington needed just 60 minutes to upset second seed Stefan Edberg of Sweden 6-1, 6-4 in the first round of the \$28,000 dollars Genovese Hamlet Cup tennis tournament on Tuesday...

Washington defeated Edberg, a former world number one, for just the second time in eight career meetings. His only other win came last year in the second round here.

Top seed and defending champion Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia had no problems routing Frenchman Olivier Delaitre 6-1, 6-3 in 54 minutes. He lost just 12 points in his eight service games...

Kafelnikov reached the semifinals at New Haven last week and owns a 55-20 record in 1995. That is the most matches anyone has played this year on the ATP Tour.

Third-seeded Marc Rosset of Switzerland, the 1993 champion, cruised past Czech Martin Damm 6-4, 6-1 while Ukrainian Andrei Medvedev rolled over American Richey Reneberg 6-2, 6-4.

In other opening-round matches, Karol Kucera on Slovakia came back from 2-5 in the second set to beat eighth seed Jonas Bjorkman of Sweden 4-6, 7-6 (7-4), 7-6 (7-4) and qualifier Michael Joyce of the United States surprised sixth seed Jacco Eltingh of the Netherlands.

Chile's Marcelo Rios outdueled Czech Daniel Vacek 7-5, 6-4. Dutchman Paul Haarhuis escaped qualifier Marcelo Charpentier of Argentina 2-6, 7-5, 6-3 and qualifier Shuzo Matsuoka of Japan edged German Bernd Karbacher 6-4, 7-6 (9-7).

Bugner to don gloves again

SYDNEY, Aug 23: Former world heavyweight title contender Joe Bugner today announced another comeback at the age of 45 and set his sights on a showdown with fellow veteran George Foreman, reports Reuter.

Bugner, who lost on points to Muhammad Ali in a world title bout in Kuala Lumpur in 1975, will challenge for the Australian heavyweight title next month.

"Down the track, it's my aim to get into the ring with Foreman - I was supposed to fight him in 1977 but politics came into play and the bout fell through," Bugner told reporters at a news conference at Queensland's Gold Coast resort.

"If people think I'm crazy, so be it," said Bugner, who also went the distance in non-title fights against Ali and Joe Frazier in 1973.

Bugner, an Australian citizen since 1987 after emigrating from Britain, will face title-holder Vince Cervi, 28, at the Gold Coast on September 22, ending an eight-year absence from the ring since his previous comeback in the mid-80s.

Tarango's tantalism on

LONDON, Aug 23: Jeff Tarango plans to appeal after being banned from two Grand Slam tournaments and fined an additional \$28,256 dollars for his extraordinary outburst at Wimbledon last month...

The combined fines deprive Tarango of all the Wimbledon prize money he had earned before the incident and he has been barred from competing at the All-England Club in 1996.

He has also been excluded from "the next Grand Slam tournament," although he will be allowed to play in this year's Wimbledon.



JEFF TARANGO month's US Open if he proceeds with his appeal.

Since Tarango has confirmed through counsel that he wishes to give notice of appeal, he is allowed to participate in the 1995 US Open, the Grand Slam committee said in a statement.

It was believed to be the first time a player had been suspended from one or more Grand Slam tournaments, but Tarango did not receive the maximum penalty, which could have been a fine of up to \$200,000 dollars and a three-year ban from one or more Grand Slam tournaments.

Interviewed soon after the incident by American broadcasting network NBC Tarango feared heavier punishment.

"It is very serious. I could be suspended for life and fined 100,000 dollars. This is terrible, outrageous stuff for standing up for something that I believe in," he said. He subsequently apologised for naming one particular player in his outburst.

The Grand Slam committee's statement made no mention of Tarango's wife Benedicte, who slapped Reubeh in the face as he left the court.

Tarango still faces possible separate sanctions from the ATP Tour.

Sukova sent packing

MAHWAH, USA, Aug 23: Fifth seed Iva Majoli of Croatia had some difficulty with a brisk wind before settling down to beat Anna Smashnova of Israel in the first round of the Pathmark tennis classic on Tuesday...

Majoli, ranked 12th in the world, got off to a slow start before taking charge for a 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 victory in a match that featured 16 service breaks.

Majoli said that the wind gave her more problems than her opponent.

"On one side, you hit the ball and it goes flying, while on the other side your ball goes short," said Majoli, who has reached the final in Barcelona, two semifinals and four quarter-finals this year.

Veteran Czech serve and volleyer Helena Sukova, seeded eighth, fell in the first round just a week after her big upset win over second-ranked Arantxa Sanchez Vicario in Toronto.

The 14th-ranked Sukova was surprised by 51st-ranked Dutchwoman Kristie Boogert 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Seventh-seeded American Lisa Raymond, ranked 20th, found her range midway through the first set and went on to beat former top-10 player Andrea Temesvari of Hungary 7-5, 6-2.

Mathis Mike's next enemy

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, Aug 23: Boxing promoter Don King confirmed on Tuesday what had been rumoured all along: Buster Mathis will be Mike Tyson's next opponent - probably, reports Reuter.

match against Foreman, King told the news conference: "Henry Gluck isn't needed. I can deal effectively with Bomb Arum."

McNeeley to win a fight against Mike Tyson," King said at a news conference. "People came to see Mike Tyson. It was a happening, an event. It was not meant to be a championship fight."

In a separate development, the Nevada State Athletic Commission set next Monday as the date to decide whether to lodge an official complaint against the manager who threw in the towel on behalf of his fighter Peter McNeeley in the first round of Tyson's return to the ring last Saturday.



MIKE TYSON saying they were representing Foreman without Arum. "I am not the best of friends with Bob Arum," thundered King, "but he's a professional and I trust him. I would not do a Foreman fight without him."

The Nevada commission is withholding 179,820 dollars. Vecchione's one-third share of McNeeley's take of the purse, 540,000 dollars. If the commission decides to hold a hearing questioning Vecchione's actions, it will take place within 30 days of the Monday, August 28 date.

Later in the press conference, Tyson's co-manager, John Horne said: "It is going to be Buster Mathis, unless you find someone better for us."

King defended Tyson's fight against McNeeley, but said he would drop pay-per-view prices for the Nov 4 bout because both he and Tyson feel bad about the way the fight ended with McNeeley's manager, Vinny Vecchione.

The card will also feature Julio Cesar Chavez in a bout against fellow Mexican champion, lightweight Miguel Angel Gonzalez.

King then said: "Mike Tyson will fight Buster Mathis on November 4."

King said Tyson would fight Mathis on a card at the MGM Grand hotel that could include heavyweight title fights involving WBA champion Bruce Seldon and WBC champion Oliver McCall, who defends his title next month against Frank Bruno.

Mathis is ranked fourth by the International Boxing Federation but unranked by the World Boxing Council and World Boxing Association.

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But Bright added: "I gave my opinion about Buster Mathis from a boxing viewpoint. In my opinion it would be terrific for Mike. You don't want a guy who can punch too hard, especially with a guy who's coming back."

Smith bids boxing bye RALEIGH, North Carolina, Aug 23: Former heavyweight champion James "Bonecrusher" Smith retired Tuesday night, ending his 14-year career after stopping Tommy Williams in the third round, reports AP.

At the press conference and on radio shows, King has allowed the possibility of a Tyson fight with popular but 46-year-old George Foreman.

Actually, no one was quite sure who Smith was fighting. Nor was anyone sure what happened to Smith's scheduled opponent.



Germany's Heike Drechsler leaps through the air on her way to clinching the long jump event at the IAAF meeting in Linz, Austria on August 22. Drechsler set the year's best 7.07 metres. - AFP/UNB photo

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