Ctg pair lift nat'l badminton doubles crown

Sports Reporter

The Chittagong pair of Lucky and Moni annexed the women's doubles title of the 18th national badminton championships beating localites Chitra and Runa 15-12, 15-5, 15-8 in the final played at Bogra on Tuesday.

Runa could avenge her doubles debacle by pairing with Pesta of Bogra to lift the mixed doubles crown humbling Chittagong's Moni and Zia 15-2, 15-11 in the final.

Three Bogrites, Pesta, Ullash and Zakaria, along with Dhaka's Kakon reached the last four of the men's singles. In the quarter finals Pesta

bt. Majed (BRTC) 15-5, 9-0; Ullash bt. Zia (Ctg) 15-12, 15-8: Zakaria bt. Morshed 15-13, 18-16; and Kakon walkover Helal (Bog-

The men's doubles is also dominated by Bogra players with three pairs from the home team reaching the semis. The fourth semifinalists are from Jessore.

Bogra was never a superpower in domestic badminton. They are virtually scoring on a empty ground with almost all the top players boycotting the nationals in protest against the activities of the Bangladesh Badminton Federation. Three top players remain suspended while six BBF officials have been served court orders to show cause why their decision should not be revoked.

23 shooters picked for **SAF Games**

Sports Reporter

Twenty-three shooters have been named to represent Bangladesh in the 7th SAF Games in Madras, India. Of them six are women.

Bangladesh will take part in eleven of the 15 events. Four officials shall accompany the team.

The shooters are: Feroze Hossain, Syed Ashbab Ali Saiful Alam, Toufigur Rahman, Nazrul Islam, Ayub Hossain, Nasir Uddin, Kamru Islam, GM Haider, Atiqui Rahman, Akan Rahman, Asif Hossain, MA Gaffar, Iqbal Islam, Anowar Karim, Altammas Kabir, Abdur Rahman, Lovely Choudhury, Kazi Shahana Parveen, Farzana Hossain, Sabrina Sultana, Fouzia Karim and Ferdousi Parveen.

Iraqis cross Iran's border!

TEHRAN, Nov 8: The first Iraqi football team has arrived in Iran for a match since the end of the two countries' 1980-1988 war, newspapers reported Tuesday, reports AFP.

Baghdad's Al-Talabah is due to play against Tehran's Bahman on Friday in a qualifying game for Asia's Winners' Cup. A return game will be held between the two teams in Baghdad in the near future, the papers said.

Al-Talabah has already defeated Qatar's Al-Itihad and Uzbekistan's Yangir in preliminary games.

Iran and Iraq have yet to recover from their bloody war and Al-Talabah is the first lraqi team to play here since the end of the conflict in August 1989.

Gabba Test gets underway today

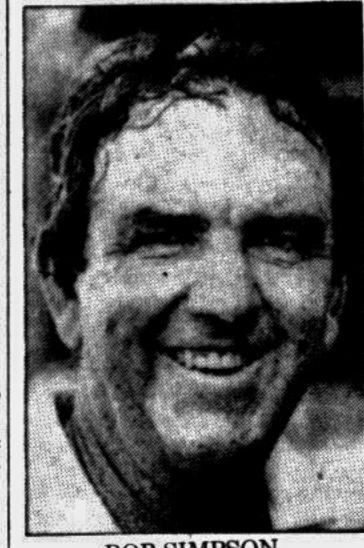
Belated Aussie wisdom

BRISBANE, Nov 8: Australian coach Bob Simpson and bats-Mark

Waugh acted on the eve of first Test against Pakistan to defuse a potentially explosive situation over the Salim Malik bribery affair, reports Reuter.

Simpson has called a truce in the controversy involving the former Pakistan captain. "That's the end of its - we just want to play cricket," Simpson said in Wednesday's edition of the Australian is to concentrate on cricket." newspaper.

Waugh said he believed both sides would put the affair behind them. "That's in the past now and what mat-



BOB SIMPSON

ters is the Test match tomorrow," Waugh told reporters.

Malik was cleared by an internal inquiry last month of allegations by Waugh and Test teammates Shane Warne and Tim May that he offered them money to play poorly during Australia's tour of Pakistan last year.

The bribery scandal has overshadowed the build-up to the three-test series, with feelings running high after the Pakistan former judge

Amy Frazier 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 on

Tuesday at the 800,000

dollars Advanta Ch-ampion-

Other winners included

Lisa Raymond, Meredith Mc-

Grath, Nathalie Tauziat, Bren-

da Schultz-McCarthy of the

Netherlands and Zina Garri-

Graf, playing in just her

second match since winning

her fourth US Open title in

September, won the first two

games against Frazier but lost

the next six games and had

her serve broken in the

third, fifth and seventh

co-ranked number one in the

world with Monica Seles.

surrendered another break to

fall behind 2-1 in the second

set but broke Frazier in the

next game and evened the

set with a break in the 10th

game when Frazier made four

in the second and sixth

games to breeze through the

Graf used service breaks

consecutive unforced errors.

The 26-year-old German.

ships, reports Reuter.

son -Jackson.

games.

third set

Nov 8: Down a

set and a break.

top seed Steffi

Graf rallied to

defeat unseeded

who led the inquiry suggested the Australian players had concocted the allega-

However, the trio have stood by their sworn statements against Malik, who will almost certainly face legspinner Warne and Waugh in

the opening Test. Simpson said, "We obviously discussed the Pakistan situation and as far as we are concerned we are just going to get on and play cricket. We want three Test victories and the best way to achieve that

Warne has been gagged from speaking on the bribery saga, but on Wednesday said he was out to avenge last year's Test series loss in Pakistan.

"We owe them from 1994 when they beat us 1-0," said Warne, who returns to the Gabba ground where he took 11 wickets in the first Test against England last year.

"It's no good if we go out this year and don't play well. If Pakistan beat us and we just beat Sri Lanka, all our hard work over the last few years would have gone to "If we can come out, really

beat the Pakistanis, beat Sri Lanka and do well in the World Cup we can say we are the best team in the world," Warne said. Pakistan are seeking to

bounce back from humiliating series defeats in both Tests and one-dayers at home to Sri Lanka, followed by their failure to reach the final of the Champions' Trophy limited overs tournament in Sharjah.

The Pakistanis have shown only glimpses of form in drawing two first-class tour matches, and Malik has looked sadly out of touch in his solitary appearance.

Playing against South Australia last weekend, Malik twice fell cheaply on his return to first-class cricket after being sidelined since

Steffi still ill at ease

Since the Open, Graf's

only match had been a first-

round loss at a tournament

England, to Mariaan de

Peter, remains in a German

jail after his arrest in August

on tax charges, and she has

been at the centre of a swirl

are a lot of things in my life

that make it difficult to con-

Romario routs

in Nou Camp

ian striker Romario returned

to the Nou Camp stadium to

hit a hattrick for an American

line-up in a charity match

against Europe on Tuesday,

player scored in the 48th,

help his side to a 4-3 win.

60th and 67th minutes to

Hristo Stoichkov of Bul-

garia, Romario's former

strike partner at Barcelona,

scored Europe's first goal in

front of a 40,000 crowd. The

match receipts went to

UNICEF for the children of

Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The former Barcelona

reports AFP.

BARCELONA, Nov 8: Brazil-

"There's no question there

of media scrutiny.

Off the court, Graf's father.

last month in Birghton

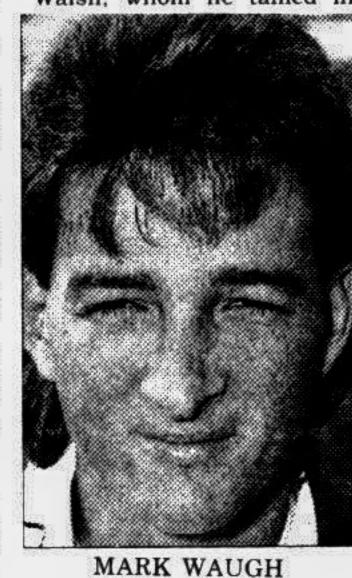
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last March during the bribery

inquiry. Malik played a central role in Pakistan's triumph against Australia last year - 557 runs in the three Tests, including his highest Test score of 237.

Pakistan have delayed announcing their side pending a late fitness test on Wagar Younis. The fast bowler has been troubled by a niggling groin injury since arriving in Australia two weeks ago. If fit, he will partner captain Wasim Akram with the new

Waugh said he was not worried by Akram and Younis, adding he rated as superior the West Indies pair **Curtly Ambrose and Courtney** Walsh, whom he tamed in



Australia's epic 2-1 series win in the Caribbean in May.

"We're not scared of them (Wagar and Wasim). We've got the batting line-up that is more than capable of scoring runs against these guys," he said. "It will be a good test and if there's a bit in the wicket we'll have to bat well."

Australia have recalled fast bowler Craig McDermott in their 12 to replace off-spinner May. McDermott missed the series win in West Indies with an ankle injury.

centrate," Graf said, "there

hasn't been a consistent flow

Wayne, Pennsylvania, 15

miles (25-km) from Phila-

delphia struggled in the first

set before overcoming the

24th-ranked Czech Helena

Raymond, ranked 20th, saved

two break points and won the

second set on her third set

point. Neither player broke

serve in the final set, and in

the tie-break Raymond ral-

lied from a 4-2 deficit to win

1-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5), hitting

overhead winners to set up

nandez withdrew from the

tournament because of a

shoulder injury she aggra-

vated last weekend at the

Bank of the West Classic in

Happy day's

outing for

the Aussies

seed Rodney Eyles led a wave

of Australians into the second

round of the World Open

squash championship on

games but he was stretched

at the start by French cham-

Eyles won in straight

Bonetat played some spec-

tacular winners, including

one through his legs, but

gradually lost his concentra-

tion after a tight opening

game and went out 15-11.

Tuesday, reports Reuter.

pion Julien Bonetat.

15-9, 15-6.

NICOSIA, Nov 8: Second

Sixth seed Mary Joe-Fer-

After a 24-minute first set

Raymond, who grew up in

over the last two years."

Sukova.

match point.

Oakland.

Bangladesh crumble to **Air India**

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh national hockey team lost 1-4 to Air India in the opening match on Wednesday of the Surjit Singh Memorial tournament now being played in Jullunder, India, according to a telephone message received in Dhaka.

The first half ended 1-1. Bangladesh play the second of their group matches today against Punjab Police.

Vogts hopes against hope

BONN, Nov 8: Germany's most capped player Lothar Matthaeus still has a chance of making a return to international soccer despite a serious achilles tendon injury. according to national team coach Berti Vogts, reports Reuter.

The 34-year-old midfielder's hopes of playing for Germany again have looked slim in the past year after two operations on a ruptured tendon which have kept him out of the game since Jan-

But, although he is unlikely to return to action for his club Bayern Munich until the second half of the season. Vogts said, "He is still part of the German team. When he is fit he must play full league games again. I'm sure he will perform well again.

"For that reason I will not say 'never Lothar Matthaeus Again'. He has such a strong will that I believe he will play a few more internationals," Vogts said in an interview with the German magazine Sport Bild to be published today.

122 caps, will have to work hard for his place, however. Borussia Dortmund's Matthias Sammer has become one of the most important players in the team at Libero, the position Matthaeus occupied at the 1994 World Cup finals.

will have to have reach full match fitness and form quickly to become a first choice in midfield, where there is intense competition for places, in the run-up to next year's European Championship finals in England.

Ivanisevic in ignominy

MOSCOW, Nov 8: Croatia's Goran Ivanisevic, ranked number nine in the world, played "like a heap of rubbish" on Tuesday to lose his opening match in the Kremlin Cup and his hopes of making the ATP World Champi-

played like a heap of rubbish," Ivanisevic said after being beaten 7-6, 6-4 by Japan's Shuzo Matsuoka.

came to Moscow hoping to pick up the points that would book him a berth in the ATP's championship in Frankfurt next week.

"I'd hoped that Moscow would help me get a ticket to Frankfurt. I felt good in training but in the match I lost confidence in my strength." Ivanisevic said after a performance littered with

He blamed his poor showing on his recent part ing from trainer Bob Brett who had watched over his game for four-and-a-half years.

in the new year I am going to have to do a lot of thinking about my game," Ivanisevic said.

OXFORD, England, Nov 8: It that began with a First Division debut at 16. His speech recounted how

versity for Diego he grew up in poverty in a Maradona Buenos Aires slum dreaming come clean on his "hand of

His name tarnished by drugs scandals and conflicts with soccer authorities in the early 1990s, Maradona went a long way towards restoring his image in a virtuoso performance of a different kind at the University.

table.

Asked during a lively questions session with students at the Oxford Union on Monday night what regrets he had Maradona said with a grin: "If I told you, you'd have

The Boca Juniors gold streak in his hair sharply contrasting with a sober dark suit, Maradona received a rapturous welcome from crowd of about 600 in the Union Chamber graced in the past by the likes of Mikhail Gorbachev, Mother Teresa Javier Perez de Cuellar and

He appeared more nervous as he took this quite







A delegation from football's governing body FIFA winded up their tour of sp-

orts facilities here. Tuesday refusing to be drawn into comparisons with South Korea, their rivals to host the 2002 World Cup finals, reports AFP.

"My colleagues and I know perfectly well the mixture of excitement and tension you must be feeling in these days," Horst R Schmidt of Germany told reporters here. "But there is still some

time to go until the FIFA's executive committee will make the decision on June 1 next year. I am sure you will understand completely that today we will not compare both candidatures and we cannot answer any questions in this regard." Japan and South Korea are

the only candidates to stage the 2002 World Cup finals.

FIFA team to tour South Korea last week before arriving in Japan on Saturday. Schmidt said it was "an

exciting and a demanding inspection programme" after visiting several stadiums and other facilities in Japan, including the "Virtual Stadium" which will be developed and completed by 2002. "In the plan of the venues

and those we visited, full consideration has been given to the needs of the media. Japan is at the forefront of technological development related to television, and our visit to the multi-media laboratory reaffirmed this," said Schmidt. The "Virtual Stadium" is

an 8x35 metres (264x115 feet) dome-shaped screen carrying television pictures of games in progress at other grounds, enabling fans without tickets to experience the

Schmidt said he was "very

the screen on Tuesday a recording of a match between Kashima Antlers and Cerezo Osaka, although he added, "It is not an important point for decision" on the venue.

The delegation also met Japanese Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama and several other Japanese leaders on Tuesday to confirm "100 per cent support from all levels of the government." "As a result of our meet-

ings with the chairman of the J League and with the presidents and other leading members of the clubs, it seems that this is the right mix of home-grown talents and starts of many foreign countries looking for a new challenge. The delegation will leave

Japan today. They will submit their report to FIFA's executive committee by the end of the year and announcement is expected next year.

Diego: The glittering star of stardom 1986 World Cup in Mexico. any time in a 19-year career



took a visit to Oxford Uni-

God" goal against England in 1986, reports Reuter.

He has already wooed back doubters in his home country with a remarkable fourth

comeback in the Argentine First Division at the age of 35, inspiring unbeaten Boca Juniors to the top of the

enough for a book."

Professor Stephen Hawking.

unaccustomed stage than at



DIEGO MARADONA

"I was born on a football pitch, with a ball between my feet and wearing the Argentine national team shirt. I knew early what was my des-

He said the dream came true when he made his First Division debut at 16, but "It was shattered when I became aware of the exploitation suffered by players. Footballers are treated as ignorant in my country.

"The player-fan chemistry is a magic that you can't explain," said Maradona, who as a Napoli player in the late 1980s made millions exploiting his image in a separate contract with his Italian club, only to damage it irreparably dabbling with cocaine on his excursions into Neapolitan low life

The speech quickly devel oped into a defence of the innocent footballer, labelled as uneducated and ignorant and prey to the modern forces of marketing and television that exploited him. He targeted, as he often

has in the past, Joao Have lange and Sepp Blatter of FIFA, the world soccer body he has for years accused of putting the players last in the pecking order.

This had led to his dream of an international players' union, finally launched several weeks ago in Paris. "The only way was to do it

ourselves," he said. "I could never accept that

while in one part of the world players could earn millions of dollars, in others parts of Africa, they did not have access to proper food. health care, education."

Warming to his task, Maradona then handled some hot questions, not least about his infamous "hand of God" goal against England in the

"I would have done it against any team," he said in his first public admission that he scored one of his two goals in a 2-1 Argentine victory with his hand, adding to rapturous applause: "I always

team." After the 1986 World Cup quarterfinal, Maradona said his first goal was scored "partly by the hand of God and partly by the head of Maradona.

try to do what is best for my

He said his brilliant second against England in Mexico City was "the goal all players dream of scoring as the best ever."

The soccer genius completely won over the crowd by accepting the challenge from a student in the gallery to juggle a golf ball on stage with his inimitable left foot."

Maradona said his drug taking, which twice interrupted his career in the 1990s, was "A mistake like anyone can make," ensuring his drugs misdemeanours were both consigned to the past ending with the remark:

"Time cures all." Maradona later told a news conference he had not come to Oxford to talk about drugs, adding he had made a mistake becoming involved.

"While there is no fight against drugs, it's useless for Maradona or any other ordinary person to speak," he But he added: "I want a

want a world without drugs for my daughters." Maradona, whose formal education did not go beyond primary school and who strongly believes learning

starts in the family, ended by

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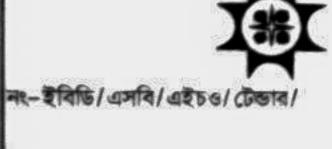
saying he had been moved by his invitation to Oxford. Accustomed to the long flights linking Europe with South America, his Journey from Buenos Aires started when he came off at half-time in Boca's 1-0 win over Velez

Sarsfield on Sunday after-He raced to the airport by helicopter for a flight to new York with his wife, daughters, lawyer and agent, crossing the Atlantic on Concorde and arriving in Oxford on

Maradona's late arrival at

Monday evening.

the chamber was not his fault this time, the start delayed by an hour as ushers tried to find seats for the hundreds of students wanting to see him With his former Argentina teammate Osvaldo Ardiles helping with the interpreting, and his wife Claudia and two daughters present, Maradona said he was "very moved and proud" with his invitation to Oxford.



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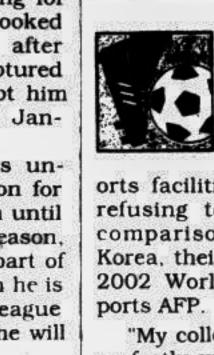
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Mattthaeus, who has won

The World Cup veteran

onship, reports Reuter. "I didn't play like a star. I

Ivanisevic, seeded second,

"Now I am on my own and



World number one Steffi Graf of Germany makes a backhand return against her second round opponent Amy Frazier at the Advanta Championships in Philadelphia on Nov 7 The trouble-torn gritty German recorded a battling 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 win over the Ame - AFP/UNB photo