gem of a yorker.

sent to do the honours.

SCOREBOARD

teenth Damal Summer

cricket final between Abahani

Krira Chakra and Mohammedan Sporting Club at

the Dhaka Stadium yesterday:

Aashish Kapoor c Ghulam Ali b Sujon 19

Total: (For six wickets in 50 overs) 268

Prince, J A Dulu and Rakib

50: 3-62: 4-203: 5-233: 6-

Did not bat: G M Nawsher

Fall of wickets: 1-42; 2-

10

10

10

50

56

42

36

26

13

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0

Khaled Masud Pilot c Nasu b Sujon

ABAHANI KC

H R Liton c Litu b Sujon

Akram Khan Ibw b Shanto

N R Durjoy c Mirza b Sumon

Extras: (96-12, nb-4, wb-15)

Ajay Jadeja b Shanto

E H Mont not out

N R Rahul not out

Hasan Bappi.

254

Bowling:

Shanto

Sumon

Sujon

Nannu

Shahed

Litu

Bulbul

MOHAMMEDAN SC

Ghulam Ali c Bappi b Durjoy

Selim Shahed c Liton b Moni

M A Nannu c Moni b Jadeja

H H Shanto c Pilot b Aashish Kapoor

Total (For 9 wickets in 49.5 overs) 269

3-74; 4-110; 5-185; 6-194;

Fall of wickets: 1-2; 2-66;

10

8.5

10

Result: Mohammedan SC

Man-of-the-match: Shawkat

7th SAF Games

Tennis, TT

targets

Sports Reporter

players will give their best to

earn a good result in the

forthcoming seventh SAF

Games scheduled to be held

in Madras from December

the Chinese coach Li Zhaoli

at a press briefing at the

Bangladesh Olympic Associa-

tion (BOA) conference room

vesterday.

This was announced by

Bangladeshi table tennis

OMRV

39

46

41

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N A Nasu c Akram Khan b Prince

Extras: b-4, lb-11, nb-2, wb-5

7-228; 8-231; 9-250.

Jahangir Alam b Prince

A | Bulbul c Liton b Dulu

Shawkat Mirza not out

K M Sujon run out

M A Sumon not out

Bowling:

Prince

Dulu

Jadeja

Durjoy

Kapoor

Mirza.

won by 1 wicket.

Mustadir Litu run out

Scoreboard of the six-

## DID U' KNOW?

#### (The Professor does)

T HAT in 1977 Kuwait placed an order with a British firm to supply twentyfive thousand footballs. No problem with that. But, the Kuwaitis required that the balls arrive fully inflated. This was obviously posing great problems. The firm decided to send out a team equipped with bicycle pumps to blow up the balls on the dockside after arrival in Kuwait. No problem.

I wonder what the British would do if the Kuwaitis ordered artificial playing turfs, fully laid out.

SPORTS TALK



Desmond Haynes (West Indies opening batsman)

"I enjoy facing the challenges of cricket just the way they come, without any worries or planning before negotiating a ball. I prefer to let things be just the way they are. I believe in natural things."



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the matter.

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(Competition closes: 8 p.m. Dec 8, 1995) Maradona is to football as Shahbaz is to . Hockey Cricket Andre Agassi is sponsored by Reebok Who was the man-of-the-match of the 16th Damal Summer cricket final?

The 7th SAF Games will be held in The mascot of New Zealand cricket

Name :...... 

Class :..... Roll No :.... School Address: . . . . . . . . . Phone: (if any) ......

## WHiZZ KID -15

correct answers 1. The World Cup cricket 1996 final will be held in

Ans: Lahore. 2. Test cricketer Hanif Mohammad was born in. Ans: India

3. Besides India, with whom did Australia play a Test tie?

Ans: West Indies. 4. ITF Thai-Bangladesh Satellite tennis was played locally in Dhaka and Ans: Rajshahi.

5. Ajax...? Ans: Amsterdam.

## Abahani go down in fitting finale

## Mohammedans beat the heat

Sports Reporter

lam with the addition of 17 cricket was the runs to the total when he ran himself out after scoring a The maxim, crisedate 24 off 61 balls cket is a game of glorious un-

winner.

certainties, ca-me to life

once again as Mohamme-

dan Sporting Club beat their

arch-rivals Abahani Krira

Chakra by the barest of

margins - one wicket - in a

nerve-wracking final to lift

the 16th Damal Summer

trophy at the Dhaka Stadium

by some brilliant batsmanship

from both the heavyweights

of the domestic sports cir-

cuit, a matured and scintillat-

ing unbeaten 42 by bearded

Pakistani Shawkat Mirza

made the difference between

the two evenly matched

an apparently awe-inspiring

Abahani total of 268 in 50

overs, crossed the prized

target with only one ball to

And when eventual man-

of-the-match Mirza hit the

winning run in the penulti-

mate delivery of the innings

- a single to the cover region

Mohammedans broke out

of a nightmare on a lovely

golden winter afternoon, un-

derstandably leaving their

opponents drowned in the

finish was doubly disappoint-

ing for holders Abahani with

the hectic activities of their

cricket chairman Mostafa

Kamal, who brought in two

Indian Test players - right-

hand middle-order bat Ajay

Jadeja and off-spinner Aasish

Kapoor, going down the

events. Mohammedans.

ejected in the semifinal stage

of the meet in the last two

seasons - losing to Abahani

on both occasions, achieved

the unique feat of lifting the

Damal trophy for a record

explosive cricketer whose

winning shot was the con-

cluding part of a fitting finale,

it all began when he came to

the middle with his team

limping at 185 for five in the

40th over. The most experi-

enced cricketer of the final,

who did not even bother

taking guard, whipped the

Abahani bowlers in his lusty

30-ball undefeated knock to

guide Mohammedans to a

memorable win even under

After the departure of

skipper Aminul Islam Bulbul

and Minhazul Abedin Nannu.

the two most seasoned cam-

paigners in the Mo-

hammedan ranks, Mirza, ably

supported by the lower

order, broke off the Abahani

shackles to turn the tie

fours in his rapid-fire in-

nings, shared 32 runs for the

seventh wicket with Hasibul

Hossain Shanto (16). He then

put on another vital 29 runs

off 13 deliveries for the ninth

wicket with wicketkeeper

Nasir Ahmed Nasu (9) who

was magnificently caught by

Abahani skipper Akram Khan

in the gully, leaving Mo-

hammedans 19 runs short of

the target with 18 balls to

spare and precariously with

hammedan batsman who

joined Mirza with the match

hanging in the balance, kept

his cool amidst all the adri-

naline flowing on and off the

field to remain unbeaten on

seven when Mirza ended the

with Mohammedans losing

their perennially inconsistent

opener Jahangir Alam for a

nought, Pakistani Ghulam Ali.

the other opener, steadied

the innings sharing 64 runs

for the second wicket with

aggressive 34 off 38 balls

embellished with four

sparkling hits to the rope,

perished in the 14th over of-

fering a low catch to Rakib

Hassan Bappi at point off off-

spinner Naimur Rahman Dur-

joy. Litu, who had earlier

escaped an easy run out when

WHiZZ KID-15

winners

Rezwan Shahid

Ghorasal

3. Iftekhar Hassan

School, Dhaka

School, Dhaka

5. Zayed Khan

Shaheen School

2. Nirjhar Tahmidur Rouf

4. Shomit Ashfaqul Haque

Dhanmondi, Dhaka

University Laboratory

University Laboratory

Green Games Int'l School

PDB High School

he was on 16, followed Ghu-

Ghulam Ali, who scored an

left-hander Mustadir Litu.

Earlier, after a jumpy start

chase with a confident shot.

But Sumon, the last Mo-

only one wicket in hand.

Mirza, who cracked two

around.

visibly insufficient light.

For Mirza, the ungainly but

eighth time.

In a spectacular turn of

The defeat in a nail-biting

depths of despair.

Mohammedans, chasing

In a quality match marked

vesterday.

spare.

But the Mohammedan innings was built around skipper Aminul Islam Bulbul and Minhazul Abedin Nannu, who together put on a priceless 75 runs for the fifth wicket. Bulbul, the stout middle-

order bat, after being dropped by Harunur Rashid Liton at short square leg while he was on 16, chanced his arms with a quick-fire 63 off 64 balls before Liton made amends for his previous blunder with a running catch off left-arm seamer Jahangir Talukder Dulu. Bulbul in his breezy knock clubbed three fours and the most entertain40 runs in his eight overs. Earlier, on a sunny wintry morning Abahani, sent in to bat by the Mohammedan skipper Bulbul, compiled a huge total of 268 for six in their share of 50 overs.

The brightest part of their innings, arguably the most delightful stand of the day. was a 141-run fourth-wicket partnership between skipper Akram Khan and Ajay Jadeja. After Khaled Mahmood

Sujon, the Mohammedan medium pacer, ripped through the top order victimising openers Aasish Kapoor (19). Harunur Rashid Liton (34) and one-down Khaled Masud Pilot (1). Akram and Jadeja with some authoritative batting steered Abahani



Chief guest Foreign Minister Mustafizur Rahman presenting the man-of-the-match award to Mohammedans' hero Shawkat Mirza as daughter of late Mazharul Islam Damal - in whose memory the Damal Summer tournament is held - looks - Star photo

ing shot and the lone overboundary of the day, a six over long-off off Dulu.

On the otherhand Nannu, continuously jeered by the opponents' supporters as "betrayer", made a characteristic 31 off 41 balls before being superbly caught by Enamul Hug Moni, who ran at least fifteen yards from longon to latch on to the ball for the only scalp of Indian Test cap Ajay Jadeja.

Among the Abahani bowlers, veteran Golam Nawsher Prince, who bowled with venom in his second spell, was the most successful with two for 39 in his ten overs. But Aasish Kapoor, another Indian Test player, on whose bowling prowess Abahani depended heavily, returned with an expensive single wicket at the cost of

from a disastrous 62 for three in 15 overs to a commanding total of 203.

In an object lesson for the local youngsters. Jadeja and Akram nudged and pushed all around the wicket to milk the runs with consummate ease frustrating the Mohammedan bowlers.

Jadeja scored a polished 75 off 94 balls inclusive of four hits across the rope while robust Akram hammered a magnificent 88 made from 94 deliveries studded with five fours before both fell victims to Mohammedans' young new-ball bowler Hasibul Hossain Shanto.

The tall right-arm seamer returning in his second spell in the 43rd over struck the off-stump of Jadeja with the very first delivery. Shanto

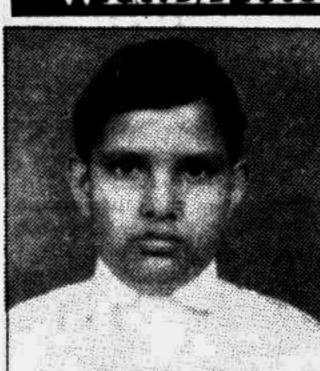
### ROLL OF HONOUR

Season 1979-80 1980-81 1981-82 1982-83 1983-84 1984-85 1985-86 1986-87 1987-88 1988-89 1989-90 1990-91 1991-92 1992-93 1993-94 1994-95 1995-96

Champions Bangladesh Biman Abahani KC Abahani KC Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC Abahani KC Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC Abahani KC Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC Abahani KC Abahani KC Was not held Abahani KC Mohammedan SC

Runners-up Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC Mohammedan SC Abahani KC Azad Boys Club Mohammedan SC Abahani KC Young Pegasas Club Mohammedan SC Abahani KC

## WHiZZ KID-14 winners



. Ahmed Shibly Faisal Dhaka



2. Homaira Shahreen Scholastica Dhanmondi, Dhaka.

3. Sara Nowreen (Picture not available) Eng. University School Dhaka





5. Akhter Hossain A K School & College Dhaka



### Federation officials Rafigul Islam Tipu and Ishtiak Ahmed said the camp of the team started in February with eight junior players. But unhappy

with their performances, they had to call six senior players in the camp from which four were finally selected to represent the country. They are: Syed A B M Mosaddeque Haque Rochi, Nasimul Hasan Kochi, Saidul Haque Sadi and Al Mahbub

nis event. In the day's last press

briefing, this was disclosed by the manager of the team Khaled Ahmed. As per the manager,

Bangladesh, who have won team event bronzes in the previous two meets, is not expecting anything better than their previous results as two powerful contenders India and Pakistan will be vying for the golds.



Foreign Minister A S M Mustafizur Rahman hands over the Damal Summer trophy to Mohammedans' skipper Aminul Islam Bulbul (R) after yesterday's electrifying final at the Dhaka Stadium

# The post-match parley

Sports Reporter



Mohammedans official Tanveer Haider summed was the winner

today," he said. And so it was indeed. Loads of runs, brilliant batting, adrinaline-pumping boundaries, lots of close calls

and appeals, a close finish and, what more, the top two clubs of the country playing. Yesterday's Damal Summer final between Abahani

Krira Chakra and Mohammedan Sporting Club was a spectators' delight. And the hero of the day was definitely Shawkat Mirza, Mohammedans' Pakistani recruit. Mirza, with his outstand-

ing inning of 42, pulled his team out of quagmire to pulloff a spectacular victory. So, obviously he was the first to be approached by a barrage of pressmen after the match of the Mohammedans' dressing room. Speaking in his native Urdu, the ungainly middle-order bat said that he was pleased with his knock. He said, "I was always confident of the team's victory although it needed some last moment efforts."

His skipper, Aminul Islam Bulbul - who himself hit a brilliant 63 - was a study of composure inside the exuberant Mohammedans' dressing room. Amid the elated screams of his teammates.

Bulbul said. "I was always confident of the victory. Although the target was

it up all too large. I had no doubt at all well. "Cricket about our batting abilities in this placed wicket." He informed that his team went into the match with high spirits.

Commenting on the game. Bulbul said that his partnership with Minhazul Abedin Nannu, a fifth-wicket stand of 75 runs, was vital to the victory. He lauded Mirza for his efforts for the team. The national vice-captain opined that the dismissal of Ajay Jadeja, Abahani's Indian recruit, and the 14 runs that came off one of Jadeja's overs

were the turning points of

the encounter. Mohammedans' coach Daulatuzzaman was visibly elated by the win. He said that he always had faith in his boys and relied on their batting to win the trophy. He dubbed Nannu and Bulbul's partnership as the vital point of the game. They were the architects of the victory," he The Abahani camp had an

air of gloom. The players were clearly dismayed by letting go of a match they were sure to win. Skipper Akram Khan said that, above all, it was a good match which met the crowd's expectations. He said that his fielders and bowlers had let him down. "They could not take the

pressure," he said. He pointed out the dropped catch of Bulbul and the numerous missed run out opportunities as the deciding factors of the game.

Talking about their batting. Akram said that he himself should have played till the end of the innings to enhance the score. He conveyed his congratulations to the winning team. Abahani manager Gazi

Ashraf Hossain Lipu echoed the same words votcing his praise for Nannu and Bulbul's responsible batting. He termed Mirza's quick fire knock as tremendous." Lipu also said that his

team's fielding was utterly embarrassing. He said Bulbul's dropped catch, with three fielders in catching distance, personified his team's miserable efforts on the outfield. He said, "I really don't know what went wrong with them.

Indian Test star Jadeja, in a hurried confrontation with the press, expressed his surprise at the enthusiasm about the game among the spectators. Of his eye-catching 75 runs, Jadeja said, "It was a good inning but was useless as the team had lost."

But all of Abahani's efforts did not go in vain. Even if they did not come out of the game as winners, the spectators, both at the big bowl and at home, certainly did.

# Sydney Test nicely set

Michael Slater for one,

bowled comprehensively by

bowler Wasim Akram off the

third ball of the innings. Tay-

lor, who scored a century to

steer his side to a 155 run

victory in the second Test in

Hobart, maintained his as-

sault on the tourists and ap-

peared set for another hun-

dred before losing his wicket

to off-spinner Saqlain just

wicketkeeper Rashid Latif of

the bottom edge after at-

tempting to a pull shot

David Boon, who has strug-

gled for form throughout the

series, fell to leg-spinner

Mushtaq after lunch for 16.

edging another catch to

ward for a vastly improved

bowling and fielding display

Umpiring adds to

Arjuna's woes

Dec 1: Sri Lankan cricket

captain Arjuna Ranatunga

criticised the standard of

umpiring after Tasmania

gained the upper hand on the

first day of their four-day

tour match today, reports

frustration after the home

side laboured to 252 for four

after wining the toss.

Ranatunga spoke out in

"Tasmania should have

LAUNCESTON, Australia,

Those wickets were re-

Number three batsman

through mid-wicket.

Taylor was caught by

after tea.

Rashid Latif.

by the tourists.

Reuter.



Australia's Mark Waugh aban- Pakistan captain and fast doned his normal flamboyani approach to de-

flate Pakistan's hopes of establishing a substantial first innings lead in the third and final Test today, reports

Waugh, renowned for his attacking stroke play, defended resolutely to compile a patient unbeaten half-century on the second day at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Batting at number four, his valuable 54 not out steered Australia to 151 three from 57 overs in reply to Pakistan's first innings 299 before bad light stopped play 30 minutes before the scheduled close.

Waugh gained valuable support from twin brother Steve, who finished on 26 not out, in adding 60 runs in an unbroken fourth wicket partnership. The Pakistani bowlers,

applying sustained pressure on the batsmen for the first time in the series, restricted Australia to a scoring rate well below three runs an over on a slow, turning wicket. Pakistan number three

batsman Ijaz Ahmed earlier lifted his side to a respectable total with a fine 137, his highest score in Test cricket. Occupying the crease for a little more than seven hours,

17 fours in an innings of immense concentration lasting

ljaz hit two massive sixes and

and Hobart, were precariously placed at 91 for three when the Waugh twins came together following the loss of

Taylor for 47.

capture one wicket each.

Australia suffered an early

setback, losing opener

opener and captain Mark with figures of two for 56. Ponting, who is challeng-Both batsmen were forced ing for a place in Australia's onto the defensive by spin duo Saglain Mushtag and Mushtag Ahmed, who bowled

middleorder for the forthcoming three-Test series against the Tourists, accelerwith menace and accuracy to ated the scoring rate after a slow start to the innings. The

runs before lunch

spinner Jayanta Silva.

Silva, the pick of the Sir

Lankan bowlers, finished

home side scored only 72

ljaz, who began the day on 101 not out, finally fell when he pulled a waist-high full toss from leg-spinner Shane Warne to fast bowler Glenn McGrath at the deep

backward square boundary.

As he walked back to the pavilion to a standing ovation from a crowd of little more than nine thousand, Ijaz remonstrated with himself for giving away his wicket to one of Warne's poorest deliveries of the match.

ljaz's third Test century. also recorded against Australia, eclipsed his previous highest score of 122 in Pakistan in 1988-89.

Warne finished with figures of four for 55 from 34 overs and appeared untroubled by the lingering effects of a broken toe sustained two weeks ago.

#### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day of the third cricket Test between Australia and Pakistan at the Sydney Cricket Ground today:

PAKISTAN: First innings (overnight 231 for four) Schail c M Waugh b McDermott Rameez c Slater b Warne ljaz Ahmed c McGrath b Warne Inzamamul Haq c Healy b Warne Malik Ibw b McGrath Basit c Slater b McDermott Latif c Healy b McDermott Wasim c and b McGrath Saglain run out Musthag c McDermott b Warne

Wagar not out Extras (b) 3 w 2 nt 61 Total (all out 113.2 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-4; 2-64; 3-141; 4-210; 5-263; 6-269; 7-297; 8-299; 9-299 Bowling: O M McDermott 21 6 62 3

22.2

10

79

4 71 0

20 55 4

4 23 0

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McGrath Reiffel Warne M Waugh Blewett **AUSTRALIA:** First innings

Taylor c Latif b Saglain Slater b Wasim Boon c Latif b Mushtag M Waugh not out S Waugh not out

Extras (lb 4, nb 3) 3-91

3 30 Wastm 1 14 Wagar 3 52 Mushtag 2 36 15 Saglain 0 15 0 Sohail

### Total (for three wickets, 57 overs) 151 Fall of wickets: 1-2; 2-44; Bowling

#### been all out by now," he 332 deliveries. Willes Little Flower School added after watching fringe 4. Prathama Komal Nabi Billah. But the tourists failed to Test batsman Ricky Ponting A total of Taka 5.5 lakh Sunnydale capitalise on his marathon bolster the innings with an was spent for the training of Dhaka. performance by losing their unbeaten 84. the players. last six wickets for 36 runs Tasmania opener Daly **TENNIS** after resuming on 231 for provided a platform for the Hira Lal, Shovon Jamali. innings with a fluent 70, his Australia, who claimed the Dilip Pasia and Tofazzol Hoshighest first class score, bethree-Test series after sain will be representing fore being stumped by wick crushing victories in Brisbane Bangladesh in the men's tenetkeeper Chamara Dunus inghe off the bowling of