

Column One

DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

HAT the battle of the bottles has taken an interesting turn in the World Cup. While Coca Cola is the official drink of the cricketing extravaganza, rivals Pepsi seem to be smacking one right across their campaign by making cricket stars say, (Pepsi) — nothing official about it.

Sports

WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN



Sports WHIZZ KID competition-27

✓ Tick the Correct Answer

(Competition closes: 8 p.m.

Feb 23, 1996)

- Asian Club football champions are: Thai Farmers Kawasaki Verdy Al Nasr
- The 1974 Asian Games were held in: Delhi Tokyo Islamabad
- The present West Indian cricket vice-captain is: Courtney Walsh Brian Lara Roger Harper
- Tennis prodigies Martina Hingis is a: Swiss Czech Polish
- The name of the captain of the UAE cricket team is: Zarawani Dikarwala Moshar

Name: _____

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SPORTS TALK



Krishnamachari Srikant

(Former Indian opening batsman)

You need winners in one-day cricket. But if you want to be an aggressive opener you can't think about the records. That's the sacrifice. It is the question of the number of matches you can win for your team."

Warne's woes

VISAKHAPATNAM, India, Feb 23: Worried Shane Warne threw Australia's World Cup campaign into confusion on Wednesday after admitting he may have to play throughout the tournament with a torn ligament in his bowling hand, reports AFP.

Warne revealed his key spinning finger is causing him constant pain and feared he would need an operation after the Cup.

The leg spinner, trump card in Mark Taylor's attack plans, said: "The doctors think it may be arthritis, or a torn ligament, but no one is really sure."

"I will have a bone scan after returning home from here and go in for a surgery if it is needed."

The 26-year-old Victorian said cortisone injections to the third finger of his right hand had failed to blunt the pain, although it did wear off after he had warmed up.

"I took two injections during the home series against Pakistan and Sri Lanka and another one just before leaving for the World Cup. But the finger remains stiff," he said. Surgery is not really what I want. The problem is there is no pain after I have warmed up. But if it is there at the back of my mind."

"I think the bone scan after I return will finally decide what is wrong."

Australia's main rivals here, led by Pakistan and South Africa, will be secretly delighted that the world's best bowler is feeling under pressure over the injury.

Polgar new world chess champ

JAEN, Spain, Feb 23: Hungarian Zsuzsa Polgar beat Chinese teenager Xie Jun to become the new women's world chess champion on Tuesday, reports Reuters.

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