

Column One

Sports

WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

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 Tick the Correct Answers

(Competition closes: 8 p.m. June 21, 1996)

- The winner of the women's high jump gold in 24th national athletics is

Kalpana	Nisara	Rahana
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- The girls champion in the school badminton tournament '96 is

Rahana	Lucky	Anshu
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- IM Zaur Rahman has won the national chess title

6 times	2 times	3 times
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- Kafeez won the 1996 French Open tennis title by winning the final against

Samparas	Muster	Stich
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- West Germany won the first of their football World Cup in

1934	1954	1984
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SPORTS TALK



The 'Undertaker'

(Famous, deadly and popular WWF wrestler)
 "I want the youngsters today to be strong enough to fight for what they believe in, it's a very tough world they live in, and they have to fight hard to survive and succeed."

MLS results

FOXBORO, Massachusetts, June 16: Paul Keegan scored New England's goal in regulation and then added the winner in a shootout as the Revolution defeated the Kansas City Wiz 2-1 after each team scored once in the Major League Soccer game on Saturday, reports AP.

Wilmington gave New England (5-5) the advantage in the shootout before Preki, who scored Kansas City's goal in regulation, tallied on the third attempt for the Wiz (6-8). But Keegan's goal on New England's fifth attempt was the decider before 21,407 at Foxboro Stadium.

Kansas City general manager Tim Latta said he would protest the outcome due to what he claimed were two officiating errors relating to the timing of the shootout attempts.

He claimed the clock was started on Wiz forward Mo Johnston's shootout attempt too soon, and Keegan's shootout goal came too late.

Keegan put the Revolution up 1-0 in the 50th minute off a rebound redirected by Darren Sawatsky. Preki tied it in the 75th minute off a 20-yard free kick.

In Dallas, Hugo Sanchez scored the tying goal and Dallas made all four of its shootout attempts as the Burn outscored the Colorado Rapids 4-2 after regulation ended tied at 1-1.

Before 9,704 at the Cotton Bowl, Brian Haynes, Lawrence Lozano, Chad Ashton and Mark Santel scored past Colorado goalkeeper Chris Woods in the shootout for Dallas (8-5).

Chavez in trouble

MEXICO CITY, June 16: Less than a week after taking the pounding of his life to lose his World Boxing Council lightweight championship title, Mexican boxing legend Julio Cesar Chavez has been accused of battering his wife, reports Reuter.

In a lawsuit in the couple's home town of Culiacan, northern Mexico, Amalio Carrasco de Chavez charged that Chavez, while drunk, grabbed her hair, punched her in the face, neck and arms and threatened her with a kitchen knife, Mexico City newspapers reported on Saturday.

The incident occurred last Thursday, just days after Chavez, 33, was bloodied and stopped by American Oscar de la Hoya on June 7 in Las Vegas during the Mexican's 100th fight.



Christian Karembeu (C), one of the star performers for France during their European Championship match against Spain, makes an abortive attempt to whizz past two rival defenders in Leeds on Saturday. The match ended in a 1-1 draw. — AFP/UNB photo.

Spain stymie Frenchmen

LEEDS, June 16: Jose Luis Caminero stole into the box to equalise five minutes from time against France and keep Spain in the fight for a Euro '96 quarterfinal berth on Saturday, reports Reuter.

The result left France and Bulgaria sharing top place in Group B with four points each and the Spanish two points behind after two draws. It also extended France's two-year unbeaten run to 25 matches and Spain's to 18.

Just when France, much the more accomplished side and in front after a fine Youri Djorkaeff goal three minutes into the second half, looked sure of their second win, the fighting Spanish drew level with their best move of a tense clash at Elland Road.

They were helped by some sloppy defence from the tiring



CAMINERO

French, allowing a cross from the left by Caminero's Atletico Madrid teammate Kiko Narvaez to reach fellow substitute Javier Manjarin on the right. Manjarin turned the ball back square into the middle of the box and Caminero hit a rasping low drive past Bernard Lama.

Midfielder Christian Karembeu played the best pass of the afternoon, a superbly weighted diagonal ball into the box for Djorkaeff to put France ahead with his first goal of the tournament in the 48th minute.

Spain, urged on by big sections of the 36,500 crowd, made up in fighting spirit for their evident inferiority to France as a footballing side.

France, among the favourites for the title, were quite superb for long passages of the game and had the Spanish treading water with veteran goalkeeper Andoni Zubizarreta keeping them alive in the first half with a fine, diving save from Vicent Guerin.

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the other side and midfielder Zinedine Zidane was just off target with a curling shot.

Four minutes before the equaliser, France could have sealed victory, but substitute Christophe Dugarry, who scored in the 1-0 win against Romania, headed narrowly wide from a cross by Djorkaeff.

Left back Sergi Barjuan, who brought Lama to a diving save at his feet, was one of Spain's more dangerous attackers at times, getting behind the defence.

A move started from defence by Juan Manuel Lopez in the 79th minute was a warning that the Spanish had found their touch.

The ball went out to Kiko on the right and Alfonso Lopez just failed to get his foot to a low cross-shot that went out by the far post.

Six minutes later, Caminero struck to salvage what may prove a vital point for Spain.

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Euro '96 Germany rout Russia

Sports Reporter
 Germany earned a convincing 3-0 victory against Russia in a Group C encounter of the European Championships at Old Trafford in Manchester, according to a BBC sports bulletin monitored here last night.

Two goals by prolific marksman Juergen Klinsmann and one strike from Matthias Sammer helped the Germans reach the last eight.

The win left the 1990 World Cup winners needing just one more point to top the group when they meet Italy in their final encounter while their opponents will require a win to secure a berth.

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Some solace for Romania

HALIFAX, June 16: UEFA have admitted that the 'goal' Romania scored, but which was not given, in their 1-0 European Championship defeat by Bulgaria appeared to have crossed the goal-line, reports Reuter.

But European soccer's governing body said on Sunday it was not possible to counter a referee's decision.

The Romanians have suggested that an electronic device be placed at the base of goalposts to assist referees over goal-line incidents.

Midfielder Dorinel Munteanu's shot in the Group B match in Newcastle on Thursday hit the crossbar and was shown by television replays to have crossed the line before bouncing away from the Bulgarian goal.

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England in last eight

LONDON, June 16: A diving header from Alan Shearer and a stunning volley from Paul Gascoigne gave England a hard-fought 2-0 win over "auld enemy" Scotland at Wembley Stadium on Saturday, reports Reuter.

It was the biggest international played in Britain since the 1966 World Cup final. The victory virtually guarantees the hosts a place in the last eight of Euro '96 and means that Scotland's interest will almost certainly end after their last Group A match against Switzerland next Tuesday.

The match turned in three dramatic minutes late in the game after Scotland skipper Gary McAllister saw his 77th minute penalty saved by David Seaman.

Still reeling from the disappointment of that miss, Scotland failed to cut out a Darren Anderton pass to Gascoigne, who swept the ball over Colin Hendry's head, ran round the Blackburn defender and smashed the ball past Andy Goram for England's second goal.

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Scottish supporters behind the goal. But their joy was short-lived as Seaman half-elbowed and half-punched McAllister's hard-hit kick high over his crossbar, leaving Scotland still looking at end for their first goal in five matches.

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Group A standings after England-Scotland match on Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

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 Holland 2 1 1 0 2 0 4
 Scotland 2 0 1 1 0 2 1
 Switzerland 2 0 1 1 1 3 1

Group B standings following France-Spain match Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

Bulgaria 2 1 0 2 1 4
 France 2 1 1 0 2 1 4
 Spain 2 0 2 0 2 2 2
 Romania 2 0 0 2 0 2 0

Group C standings following England-Scotland match on Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

England 2 1 1 0 3 1 4
 Holland 2 1 1 0 2 0 4
 Scotland 2 0 1 1 0 2 1
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Group D standings following France-Spain match Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

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 France 2 1 1 0 2 1 4
 Spain 2 0 2 0 2 2 2
 Romania 2 0 0 2 0 2 0

Group E standings following England-Scotland match on Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

England 2 1 1 0 3 1 4
 Holland 2 1 1 0 2 0 4
 Scotland 2 0 1 1 0 2 1
 Switzerland 2 0 1 1 1 3 1

Group F standings following France-Spain match Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

Bulgaria 2 1 0 2 1 4
 France 2 1 1 0 2 1 4
 Spain 2 0 2 0 2 2 2
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Group G standings following England-Scotland match on Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

England 2 1 1 0 3 1 4
 Holland 2 1 1 0 2 0 4
 Scotland 2 0 1 1 0 2 1
 Switzerland 2 0 1 1 1 3 1

Group H standings following France-Spain match Saturday (Played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, against, pts):

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