



evening.

Dhaka Stadium.

mittee of the Danish Senior

Division football leagues is ex-

pected to sit in an emergency

meeting at the DMFA office this

afternoon to give their verdict

on Tuesday's tragedy at the

which has already put the or-

ganisers Dhaka Metropolis

Football Association (DMFA) under tremendous pressure.

will possibly lead them in the

line of fire when the disci-

Happy hunt

for hosts

Finland's Pontus Jantti and

Netherlands Chris Bruil were

today the only seeded players to

crash out of the first round of

the 180,000-dollar Malaysian

Open badminton tournament.

Samad of Malaysia shocked

joint fifth seed Jantti 15-11, 15-

4 while another unseeded

Malaysian. Wong Choon Hann

defeated Bruil, seeded joint

of Taiwan moved in the second

round after an hour-long strug-

gle against Indonesia's Irwan-

syah before finally winning 7-

top seed Rashid Sidek of

Malaysia; the bronze medalist

in the recent Olympics. Indone-

sia's Ardy Wiranata and Den-

mark's Thomas Stuer Lauridsen

shine has faded from the pre-

Netherlands' Gerben Bruijstens

a free ride to the second round:

moved into the second round

With the stars missing, the

Rashid's withdrawal gave

All the other seeded players

Joint third seed Jerden van

Dijk of the Netherlands was

given a walk over by China's

Shen Li. Malaysia's Ong Ewe

Hock, the other joint third seed.

crushed Denmark's Thomas

ters champion, said later Ir-

wansyah's aggressive tactics in

immediately even before I got a

tler will meet Malaysia's Lo Ah

Heng in the second round. Lo, a

semifinalist in the 1995 All-

England, beat Filipino Ronald

Maganave 15-4, 15-2.

feel of the stadium," said Fung.

the first game rattled him.

Fung, the Copenhagen Mas-

"He started attacking almost

The former Indonesian shut-

have skipped the tournament.

Second seed Fung Permaidi

Most of the stars, including

An unheralded Ismail Abdul

reports AFP.

ninth, 15-12, 15-5.

15, 15-5, 15-8,

mier tournament.

Sogaard 15-1, 15-4.

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 21

This untoward incident

Gail Davers

(American ace athlete) Use me as an example whatever you want to do, if you have faith, it can happen.

(On her overcoming Graves Disease and winning the Olympic gold.)



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Muktijoddha Sangsad is Gaus Masood Rana What was the position Brothers Union Club in last year's Premier Division footbatt

league?

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Judo belt test

Sept 9 Sports Reporter

A two-day belt test (yellow to black) for the judokas, organised by Bangladesh Judo and Karate Federation, will be held in National Indoor Stadium. Mirpur, from September 9 to 10. says a press release.

Interested judokas have been requested to enroll by Septeniber 7 at the BJKF office, Mirpur.

Hernandez put behind bars

DALLAS. Aug 21 A former Dallas policeman who put out a contract on football star Michael Irvin has reported for prison, reports AP.

Johnnie Hernandez, accompanied by his attorney, Frank Perez, arrived at the Lew Sterrett Justice Centre at Monday night. He was wearing plain clothes and carrying a notebook and a Bible.

On Sunday, almost two dozen people descended on Hernandez's home in the Dallas suburb of Cedar Hill on his last free night.

"We had dinner and discussions about old times, kind of like a Last Supper," Hernandez

After pleading guilty last week to solicitation of capital murder and an unrelated bribery charge. Hernandez said he's ready to go to prison and accept responsibility for his actions.

"I'm mentally prepared to do it," he said. "I'm the one who did it. I take full responsibility for what I did."

Hernandez, 28, was sentenced to two six-year prison terms that he will serve simultaneously. With good behaviour, the time could be shortened to about two years.

Hernandez claimed he was upset with Irvin because of alleged threats the Dallas receiver made against his girl-friend, Rachelle Smith, who testified against Irvin at his trial. She told the judge that the Dallas Cowboys star provided drugs for several sex parties with topless dancers and that he threatened to harm her and Hernandez if she

cooperated with prosecutors. Irvin's attorney has denied his client made any threats. Hernandez said he holds no grudges against Irvin, who cut short his trial by pleading no contest to felony cocaine pos-

session.

Inquest of Tuesday tragedy

Sports Reporter

plinary sub-committee headed

Mobarak Hossain meets at 4 pm

with the referee's report at its disposal and the coffins of two

Another sports fan reportedly succumbed on Wednesday to injuries

sustained in the soccer fans as reminder of a large-scale violegrim tale retold. nce surrounding the crucial Unlike previous similar in-Premier league match between cidents, it was the not any un-Mohammedan Sporting Club ruly crowd, but the unlawful and Brothers Union the night position of Mohammedans and before. This brings the death Brothers Union, coupled with toll to two, including the young DMFA's injudicious decisions. man who died on Tuesday which sparked the massive crowd reaction at the Dhaka The disciplinary sub-com-

Stadium. Meanwhile, the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF), the governing body of local football, yesterday formed a threemember inquiry committee headed by its treasurer

Shamimuzzaman Bosunia. Besides, the BFF, in a letter, have also asked DMFA to explain within three days Tuesday's unpalatable incident.

The BFF president Mohammed Hanif has expressed his condolences at the death of two soccer fans and conveyed his deepest sympathy to the be-reaved families.

Earlier, on Tuesday night,

DMFA general secretary, Mozammel Huq Mukta along with other officials visited the Dhaka Medical College Hospital to inquire about the injured

"We are seriously contemplating to compensate financially the family of the deceased", said Mukta to journalists at the DMFA office last

pressed his guarded optimism about any punitive measures against the culprits, further added that they have no other option but to abide by the exist ing law which he claimed is contradictory. Besides, a visibly dejected Mukta said that they are in a state of uncertainty in the ab-

sence of their president

Shahidul Islam Chowdhury.

who is yet to take charge after

A hapless Mukta, who ex-

his appointment by the BFF two weeks ago .. "In spite of repeated requests our president is yet to take charge. And without him we can't even call a meeting," said



FC Barcelona's Bulgarian international Hristo Stoickov (R) and Escudero of Argentine club San Lorenzo fight for the ball during the Joan Gamper Trophy match in the Spanish city on Aug 20. Barca won 2-0. - AFP/UNB photo

Nat'l kabaddi in Dinajpur begins tomorrow

Sports Reporter

The sixth national youth kabaddi championship, organised by Bangladesh Kabaddi Federation in association with Dinajpur District Sports Association, will begin in the district tomorrow morning.

A total of eleven districts including host are taking part in the two-day meet. The other districts are: Dhaka, Sherpur, Tangail, Narail, Satkhira, Comilla, Rangamati, Joypurhat, Panchagarh and Kurigram.

Barry Town in UEFA Cup

PARIS, Aug 21: Welsh parttime professionals Barry Town upset Hungarian big guns Vasutas Budapest in a penalty shootout on Tuesday night to seal a place in the first round of the UEFA Cup, reports AFP.

The League of Wales champions defeated Vasutas 3-1 in their qualifying round, second leg match to make the aggregate score 4-4 and then won the penalty contest 4-2 after neither team was able to score in 30 minutes of extra time. The Welshmen, who beat

Latvians Dianburg in the previous round, did a post-match lap of honour in front of a sellout 2,500 crowd at their tiny Jenner Park ground Scottish clubs Celtig and Ab-

erdeen both scrambled into the first round in unimpressive

Celtic needed a last minute goal from Portuguese striker Jorge Cadete to get a 1-0 win at home to FC Kosice of Slovakia after Dutchman Pierre van Hooydonk had missed a second half penalty.

The winner came three minutes after Kosice had Karol Tarzenica sent off for his second bookable offence. While Celtic got through 1-0 on aggregate. Aberdeen lost 3-1 at home to Zalgiris Vilnius of Lithuania but advanced 5-4 on aggregate. BK Odense of Denmark swept

aside the challenge of Sliema Wanderers of Malta, winning 7-1 at home at 9-1 on aggregate. Michael Schjonberg led the way with a hattrick. Their compatriots Lyndgby

held 0-0 at home in the first leg,

got goals from Toby Jonsson in the 24th and 69th minutes to score a 2-0 win away to NK Mura of Slovenia Three Russian teams enjoyed success at home with Spartak

Moscow, CSKA Moscow and Torpedo Moscow all advancing to the first round. Spartak won 2-0 against

Croatia Zagreb, progressing on the away goals rule, but CSKA and Torpedo were more emphatic winners. Torpedo beat Hajuk Split of Croatia 2-0 for a 2-1 aggregate

of Iceland 4-1 for a 6-1 aggregate A fourth Russian team, Dynamo Moscow, won 3-1 away to FC Jazz of Finland to advance

win and CSKA downed Akranes

4-2 on aggregate. Karslruhe of Germany, Guingamp of France and Silkeborg of Denmark won third round Intertoto Cup matches to seal places in the first round of the UEFA Cup.

The Germans won 3-1 at home to Standard Liege of Belgium to seal a dramatic 3-2 aggregate win thanks to an 88th minute goal from substitute Markus Schoroth.

The Belgians then completely lost their heads and had three players - Didier Ernst, Guy Hellers and Roberto Bisconti — sent off in the final three minutes

Guingamp edged Rotor Volgorgard of Russia 1-0 at home for a 2-2 aggregate score, but advanced on the away goals rule Stephane Carnot got the vital goal in the 76th minute.

Childs set to pack his cricket kit

LONDON, Aug 21: Former England spinner John Childs will retire from first-class cricket at the end of the season, his county side Essex said today, reports Reuter.

The 45-year-old slow leftarm bowler, who has taken more than 1,000 first-class wickets, began his career with Devon in 1973 and made his county debut for Gloucestershire two years later.

Childs at 36 years and 320 days became England's oldest debutant for more than 40 years in the third Test against the West Indies at Old Trafford in

He played two Tests, taking three wickets and scoring two

ASPU gen secy visits BSJA Sports Reporter

The general secretary of

Asian Sports Press Union (ASPU) Johnson Fernandez, who is on a four-day visit to Bangladesh, visited the Bangladesh Sports Journalists' Association office at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday afternoon. Fernandez had a chat with the local sports cribes on vari-

ous issues. BSJA president Manjurul Haque and other officials of the association were present on the occasion.

Earlier, the ASPU official

from Malaysia met State Minister for Youth and Sports. Obaidul Quader at his office. Bangladesh Sports Writers' Association president A S M

Raquibul Hasan and secretary Rezaur Rahman Sohag were present during the meeting.

Oval ready to take the heat

Illy looks his last on Test



LONDON, Aug 21: England will have to produce their best performance of the season in the final Test aga-

inst Pakistan starting on Thursday if they want to send outgoing chairman of selectors Ray Illingworth into a happy retirement, reports Reuter. Former England captain

Illingworth's 30-month reign officially ends after the one-day series against Pakistan and the announcement of the touring squad headed for Zimbabwe and New Zealand later this

But the Oval Test, with the

confident visitors ahead 1-0 in

the pest-of-three series, repre-

sents Illingworth's last major engagement in an international career which dates back to his Test debut as a player in 1958. The 64-year-old Yorkshireman is not the sentimental

type, but there are several good reasons why an English victory over a highly-talented Pakistan side would give him greater than average satisfaction.

England under Mike Atherton and Illingworth have endured dismal overseas series in Australia in 1994-95 and South Africa a year later, not to mention their abortive World Cup

campaign on the sub-continent. At home, though, they have proved a more resilient bunch during Illingworth's tenure and have not lost a domestic series in four attempts since returning to winning habits with a 1-0° success over New Zealand in

Critics, of which Illingworth has attracted many in the last two years, will point out that England have won only six of their 27 Tests at home and abroad in the same time span and have selected 39 different players for Test duty.

Yet even his worst enemies will acknowledge Illingworth's unswerving desire to boost English credibility, even after be-

ing found guilty of bringing the game into disrepute and being fined 2,000 pounds sterling (3,100 dollars) by his employers

this year. The Test and County Cricket Board ruled he had made comments prejudicial to the interests of cricket in the wake of the row over the treatment of Devon Malcolm in South Africa. although his appeal is due to be

heard next month. ·In the meantime, Illingworth must hope his final gamble in charge will outflank Wasim Akram's tourists who warmed up in ominous fashion with a 271-run win over Essex

this week. Wicket-keeper Jack Russell has been dropped and Alec Stewart handed the gloves once again on his home ground to enable an extra bowler to be

squeezed into the starting 11. The switch comes just at the point when Stewart has re-established his opening partnership with Atherton, but if England bat second he is likely to drop down the order again with Nick Knight stepping up.

This time, though, England do not have Malcolm to blast through the opposition on the fastest pitch of the summer. preferring to keep faith with the seam attack which let Pakistan off the hook in favourable conditions on the first day at Head-

England coach David Lloyd described the pitch in terms that will please Pakistan's attack. "It's white, it's rock hard, firm and bare. It will have some pace," Lloyd said. "We have no jurisdiction over Test match wickets," he added. The Pakistanis have

promised to play attacking cricket to the end rather than sit back on their 1-0 lead and can again select from a position of strength.

An indication of their resources is the sight of teenage off-spinner Sagfain Mushtaq. unable to claim a Test place, on top of the national averages with 29 wickets in his last four matches.

"It is possible we may go into the Test with five recognised bowlers, but no decision will be made until we see the composition of the Oval pitch," said Pakistan manager Yawar Saeed.

TEAMS

ENGLAND: Michael Atherton (captain). Alec Stewart, Nasser Hussain, Graham Thorpe, John Crawley, Nick Knight, Dominie Cork, Chris Lewis, Ian Salisbury, Andy Caddick, Alan Mullally, Robert

PAKISTAN: Saeed Anwar, Aamir Schail, Ijaz Ahmed. Inc. zamamul Haq. Salim Malik, Asif, Mujtaba, Sahdab Kabir, Moin Khan, Wasim Akram (captain), Mushtaq Ahmed. Waqar Younis, Saqlain Mushtaq, Mohammed Akram, Ataur

Garri vs 'Deep Blue' part 2

celebrations of the association

of computing and machinery,

drew hundreds of spectators

and an estimated one million

"hits" on a website retrieved by

fans all over the world.

Salim Malik, the Pakistan middle-order bat shapes himself

up in the nets on the eve at the third and final Test

against England at The Oval on Aug 21.



NEW YORK, Aug World chess champion Garri Kasparov will play IBM's suppercomputer Deep Blue' next year in a 1.1 million

dollar rematch of last February's historic contest. IBM said on Tuesday, reports Reuter. An IBM spokeswoman said the six-game match would be

played at the Millennium Hotel in New York from May 3-10, with 700,000 dollars going to the winner and 400,000 to the In Philadelphia last Febru-Ay, the powerful machine capable of looking at 200 million possible moves per second

- created history when it be-

came the first computer programme to defeat a Grand Master in classical chess format, in which games can last several hours. Kasparov recovered from the first game defeat and eventually won the contest and 400,000

dollars with three wins and two draws in the remaining games. The IBM team of scientists and programmers were awarded 100.000.

The Philadelphia match, part of the 50th anniversary

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IBM's purpose in the first

match was to test parallel computing systems intended for use in such diverse areas as the manufacture of new drags for the pharmaceutical industry and air traffic control.

Kasparov, who characterised

"The first match was to test the 'Deep Blue' technology." the match as a battle between human intuition and the brute

- AFP/UNB photo



cessful. We learned a lot from dueling Kasparov. We have now refined our technology and are in the process of strengthening

force of a huge calculating machine, said he welcomed the prospect of a rematch. "I look forward to taking on IBM's new and more powerful machine and hope to prove that human knowledge, intuition, creativity and imagination can overcome the incredible capacity of the new machine," Kas-

parov said in a statement. IBM spokeswoman Marcy Holle said spectators in New York could watch the games on screens in the Hudson Theatre adjoining the hotel. Kasparov, 33, has previously played in the

Kasparov broke ties with the international chess federation, known by its French acronym Fide, in 1993 to form the Professional Chess Associa tion (PCA). He successfully defended his PCA title in New York in October 1995 against Indian challenger Viswanathan Anand.

CRYPTOQUIP AXCCGR LDYRI IXZNZJO CBR NCRXYN Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE MOST THAT ANY ABSENT-MINDED ARTIST WILL BE LIKELY TO DRAW

IS A BLANK. Today's Cryptoquip clue: Y equals K

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short and then words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.



Asian Sports Press Union (ASPU) exchanges views with the local sports journalists during his courtesy visit at the BSJA office on Wednesday afternoon. - Star photo

"Act of DMFA" unacceptable

Two deaths at the Dhaka Stadium may not be enorigh to shake the loundation of Dhaka Metropolis Football Association (DMFA)

as is apparent from the life-long pain? immature and irresponsible comments of the League Committee chairman, who is perhaps not certain that even his association with DMFA is "an act of God. Tragedy has returned to

Dhaka Stadium from time to time. There have been meaningless deaths in the past but none have had the audacity to ridicule the untimely death of a sports fan. Of course, on Wednesday night S A Sultan may like to call the death of an-

other young man as "a repeated act of God." Has Sultan the frame of mind to understand what a death, more so that of a budding youth, means to his family? Does the DMFA general secretary Mozammel Hoque Mukta realise that no death can really be compensated? Do you realise

that the dead paid for their own Nebiolo bucks up athletes!

SYDNEY, Aug 21: Athletes who break world scords at next year's World Championships in Athens will be paid a US 100,000 dollars bonus, International Amateur Athletics Federation president Primo Nebiolo said, reports Reuter.

"We've already made an agreement with a great sponsor that will give 100,000 dollars [] for each new world record this will be the case for 1997 and 1999," Nebiolo said in an interview published on Wednesday in Sydney's Daily

Telegraph newspaper.

He did not identify the spon-Nebiolo said the federation hoped to expand the scheme to

other major meeting. "Our idea is that we want to find a sponsor giving us special money for a new world record for the indoor World Championships, the outdoor World Championships, the World Cup and Grand Prix final," Nebiolo said.

As it stands, the most lucra-

tive event in the sport in prize money terms is the privately-backed Zurich Grand Prix meeting, which has a 6.0 million budget, including a 50,000 dollar bonus for world records.

Star Report

compensation? Does any DMFA member feel, say in the company of his own family, that perhaps some timely actions by any one of them may have prevented a mother's never-ending tears, a father's

While each DMFA member. or for that matter any official in any public body, reaps the fruit of his position, he should be responsible for any act that is a result of his singular or

collective actions. Was it not possible to have Tuesday's first match at the

Olympic gold winner dies

SYDNEY, Aug 21: Australian swimmer Beverley Whitfield, a gold medalist in the 200 metres breaststroke at the 1972 Olympic Games, was found dead at her home today aged 42, re-

ports Reuter. bronze medal in the 100 metres breaststroke in Munich, had been suffering from influenza,

Tuesday night by a flatmate in their apartment near Wollongong, 60 km (37 miles) south of Sydney, police said. Australian Olympic Com-

Whitfield, who also won a police said in a statement. Her body was found in bed on

mittee president John-Coates described Whitfield as a longtime supporter and friend of Australia's Olympic family. "This is tragic and unexpected loss to the Olympic

Movement in Australia," Coates

told reporters.

Mirpur Stadium? Or, did DMFA want to save in the way of conveyance to officials? Was it not possible to use the "mike" to explain the truth to the public? Should not have the referee shut his mouth after waiting 40 minutes?

Mohammedans and Brothers Union should have played as soon as the referee announced the ground as playable. If they had any reservation they should both put it in writing after the match. It does our sport no good if you dress up to play. you agree to play under a referee and then you yourselves decide

that the ground is unplayable. The time has come when families of the date should sue DMFA for their in-action. As officials with supposedly long experience, something which many officials brag about, they should have known the dimen-

sion of a MSC-BU match. It does not pay to cheat the paying public. If it was an exhibition match, the crowd should have been told that.

Because DMFA took no precautions to manage any untoward incident, because DMFA failed to implement the 40minute rule on MSC and BU who refused to play, because DMFA resorted to falsehood to the extent of cheating the paying public, because DMFA mode no attempt to pacify the crowd because two persons died in an oceasion managed by DMFA. perhaps it will be an "act of hu manity" if DMFA officials resign. And, the sooner they do it. the earlier will the sports arena

breathe airesh.

