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(Competition closes : 8 pm September 13, 1996)		
1	Pakistani batsman Salim Malik's century in The Oval Test was his	11th 10th 14th
2	How many athletes from Bangladesh went to Atlanta this year	Two Three Four
3	The top seed of this year's US Open is	Sampson Agassi Muster
4	Pakistani pacer Waqar Younis has signed for English county	Glamorgan Surrey Kent
5	Cricket umpire Steve Bucknor is from	Kenya Zimbabwe West Indies

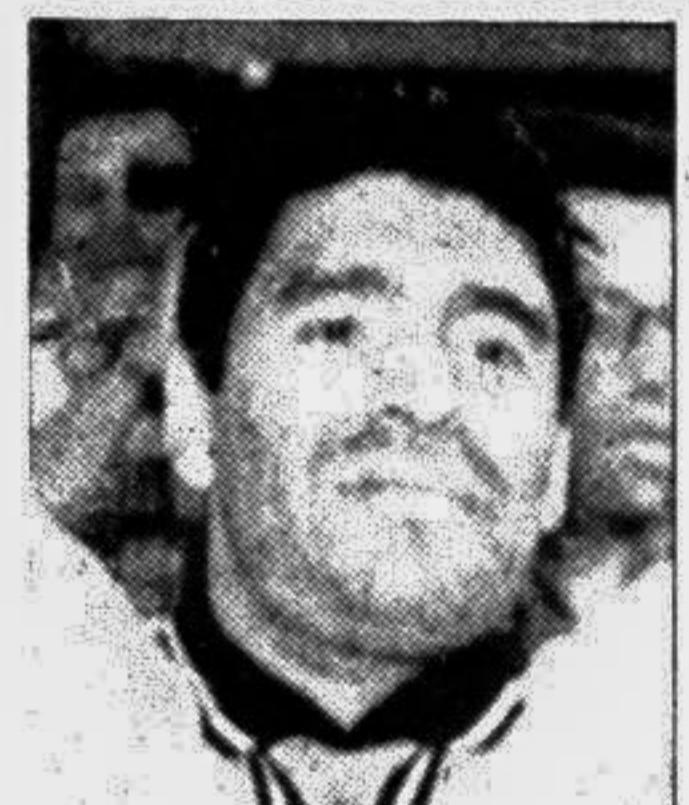
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SPORTS TALK



Diego Maradona
(Argentine soccer superstar)
"If anyone touches my family, they will die, and I am telling the truth".

(Angered by fans who shouted insults at his wife)

Inter-service football

The annual inter-service football championship began at the Army Stadium in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

In the opening match, Bangladesh Navy beat Bangladesh Air Force 3-1. Both the teams scored one goal each in the first half.

Jansher Ali of Navy opened the scoring in the 23rd minute, while Tuhimur Islam got the equaliser two minutes before the short whistle.

Fifteen minutes after the breather Sarder Kabir Ahmed of Navy netted another goal while Zulfiqar Haider consolidated their victory three minutes from time.

Khulna soccer

KHULNA, Sept 1: Bankers Club defeated Brothers Union Club by a solitary goal in the First Division football league match at the Khulna Stadium today, reports BSS.

After the barren first half both the teams went all-out to score but to no avail. At the flag end of the full-time Amitav, who received yellow card, scored the all-important goal.

Bridge contest

The national pair bridge championship for the Fazle Sobhan Trophy begins at the Dhaka Sheraton Hotel on September 4, reports BSS.

About 70 pairs are expected to take part in the three-day championships.

The final will take place on September 6 after Juma prayers.

50 football fans arrested in Belgium

BRUSSELS, Sept 1: Police arrested 50 people for disorderly conduct during a Belgium-Turkey soccer match. Authorities said Sunday that some carried knives, reports AP.

Turkish fans, upset with Turkey losing 2-0 in Saturday's World Cup qualifier, began the trouble at the King Baudouin Stadium at halftime by tearing up their plastic seats and throwing them at Belgian fans.

Police restored order, but made more arrests outside the stadium during the second half to prevent Belgian fans from starting more fights with Turkish supporters.

The King Baudouin Stadium is the former Heysel Stadium where 39 fans, most of them Italians, died in rioting at a 1985 European Cup final between Liverpool and Turin's Juventus.

The stadium has been refurbished and named after the Belgian monarch who died in 1993.



An airborne Muktiyoddha striker Imtiaz Ahmed Naqib (L) is about to negotiate the ball during his side's Danish Premier football league match against Arambagh at the floodlit Dhaka Stadium yesterday. Naqib struck twice to help the Reds to a 3-2 win.

— Star photo

Arambagh's futile rally

Sports Reporter



Title aspirants Muktiyoddha Sangsada Krira Chakra saw off a spectacular late rally from Arambagh Krira Sangsada from their way to record a 3-2 win in a Danish Premier Division football league encounter at the floodlit Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

In an almost empty big bowl, lanky national striker Imtiaz Ahmed Naqib scored two goals after his teammate Riaz opened the account in the very first minute to enable Muktiyoddha a 3-0 lead midway through the second half. But, Arambagh pulled back two quick goals through their substitute Sunny and captain Mahabubur Rahman Roxy, giving the otherwise one-way traffic a sensational end.

However, that was all the mediocre Motijheel outfit could offer as Muktiyoddha, hot on the heels of Saturday night's nerve-wrecking encounter between defending champions Abahani Krira Chakra and bridesmaid Brothers Union, celebrated their third win on a trot.

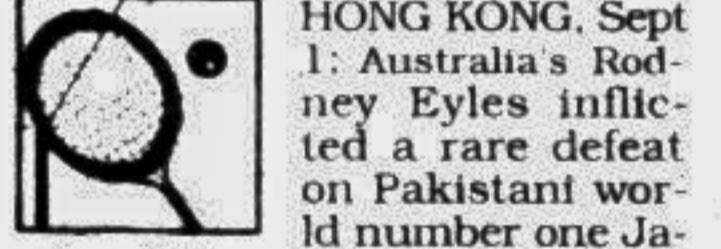
Although it was earlier predicted that Muktiyoddha without their five key booters — Rakib, Mian, Rumi, Mamun Joarder and Barun who joined Abahani this year — would be fish out of water, their performance this far has belied gallery talk. With Zakir and a hard-working Titu exposing Arambagh in the middle and Naqib firing those crispy crosses from Gaus right on target, the reds continued to baffle the pundits with their impressive run.

Muktiyoddha, fresh from their 2-0 win over Agrani Bank, took the lead even before Arambagh could settle in the middle when striker Riaz stabbed a low cross from Zakir into the far corner of the net (1-1).

The goal added fuel to the Arambagh attack, who came firing all their four cylinders to ensure a futile but intriguing finish.

Referee: M A Monsur.

Eyles ends Jansher's run



HONG KONG, Sept 1: Australia's Rodney Eyles inflicted a rare defeat on Pakistani world number one Jansher Khan today to lift the Hong Kong Open title, reports Reuters.

Eyles, whose career has been overshadowed by Jansher since he lost to him in the 1986 open, had a surprisingly easy 15-10, 15-10, 15-5 victory over the top seed to deny him an eighth Hong Kong Open triumph.

It was only the sixth defeat Jansher had suffered in major championships since 1992 and his first since England's Del Harris beat him in the Super Series play-offs earlier this year.

Eyles, the second seed, found his length and rhythm quickly and completely dominated the match. Jansher was slow in reacting to the Australian's drop shots, made several uncharacteristic errors on seemingly simple shots and appeared to throw in the towel midway through the third game.

In his semifinal win over Australia's Anthony Hill on Saturday, Jansher had looked less than fully fit and Eyles exploited his lack of stamina by forcing him into long rallies early in the match.

Jansher led briefly during

Stoke climb to top

LONDON, Sept 1: Stoke lost their 100 per cent start to the new season but still went top of the English First Division after a 2-2 draw at Reading on Saturday, reports BSS.

Lou Macari's men looked set to retain their perfect start to their promotion bid when Richard Forsyth gave them a 76th minute lead but could hold their lead for only three minutes before Paul Hollingshead levelled the game.

Robert Allenby of Australia with the British Masters' golf trophy which he won at Collingtree Park in Northampton on Saturday.

— AFP/UNB photo



Bima, Dhanmondi split points

Sports Reporter

Sadharan Bima Krira Sangsada and Dhanmondi Club shared honours in a goalless draw in a Danish First Division football league match at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Their relentless efforts put paid late in the second half with the Muktiyoddha defence buckling under the continuous pressure. In the 73rd minute, an Younus scorching grounder from the edge of the box slipped through Muktiyoddha custodian Pannu's grip, only to be happily tapped home by Roxy from an apparent off-side position (3-2).

Earlier, in the 13th minute Golam Gaus cracked the ball against the near post. The dark and dapper nimble winger, who in a welcome change switched to the right leaving his customary position in the left flank, effectively played a pivotal role in creating most of the Muktiyoddha attacks.

Gaus then floated another measured cross from the right shortly after breather and a lurking Naqib, dubbed as the most astute striker in the air after Abahani's Sheikh Mohammed Aslam, made no mistake to head the ball home past an hapless Arambagh custodian Tony (3-0).

It was Naqib's fifth goal in the league making him the top individual scorer ahead of Mian of Abahani who has four goals. But, most importantly, Naqib, who was under the shadow of Mian for the last couple of years, has proved to be a more skillful footballer this season.

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Muktiyoddha central defender Arif Hossain Moon was the lone players cautioned with a yellow card for a professional foul against Jahangir of Arambagh.

The Motijheel outfit, who brought in Sunny to replace an out-of-form striker Babu Das, suddenly found their rhythm when Sunny rocked the Muktiyoddha net with a spectacular side volley in the 54th minute (3-1).

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Referee: M A Monsur.

TEAMS

MUKTIYODDHA SANGSAD

KC: Pannu, Poritosh, Moon, Kingshuk, Mashud Rana, Golam Gaus (Babul), Titu, Zakir Hossain, Rupu, Naqib and Riaz.

ARAMBAGH KS: Tony (Jamal), Prodip, Choton, Faisal, Anwar, Tushar, Younis, Shoib, Roxy, Jahangir and Babu Das (Sunny).

Referee: M A Monsur.

France warm up well

PARIS, Sept 1: France defeated Mexico 2-0 Saturday night in a friendly match at the Parc des Princes stadium — an amicable warmup to the World Cup that France hosts in 1998.

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