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(Competition closes: 8 pm
September 13, 1996)

1	Pakistan 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	Saguna	Agassi	Muster
4	Pakistani pacer Waqar Younis has signed for	England	county	
5	Cricketer 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.

Janashed 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 Zulfiqur 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 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 Muktijoddha 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.

Arambagh's futile rally

Sports Reporter

Title aspirants Muktijoddha Sangsad Kriya Chakra saw off a spectacular late rally from Arambagh Kriya Sangsa on 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 Muktijoddha 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 Muktijoddha outfit could offer as Muktijoddha, hot on the heels of Saturday night's nerve-wrecking encounter between defending champions Abahani Kriya Chakra and bridesmaid Brothers Union, celebrated their third win on a trot.

Although it was earlier predicted that Muktijoddha without their five key booters — Rakib, Mizan, 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.

Muktijoddha, 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 (1-0).

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

the second game but a series of deft drop shots brought Eyles level and the Australian went on to take control.

"I am very satisfied with today's win — I was desperate to beat him," said the 28-year-old Eyles after receiving his winner's cheque for \$11,220 dollars.

"It is good for the sport to see someone else's name on the winner's cheque. It must be hard for him to keep fronting at tournaments and winning," Eyles added.

Jansher, who has won the World Open a record seven

times, said that he had experienced a rare bad day but was confident of bouncing back.

"I had a bad day and Rodney had a good day and he won," he said. "I could not do anything right today — my backhand volley is usually a winning shot but today it kept going in to the tin."

"I am not a machine and sometimes it's good to lose. It will mean I will train harder and concentrate better at the next tournament. Just because I have lost once does not mean I will lose my confidence."

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

However, Muktijoddha, who tried their utmost to cling on the big-turned-slender lead, got a chance to increase the margin in the far end of the match. But, Zakir was pulled off-side although his close grounders had found the net. Zakir had only repeated Roxy's act but while the latter scored from an off-side position, Zakir was not so fortunate.

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Bima, Dhanmondi split points

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

The match, the first of the two billings at big bowl on the day, though satisfied both the teams who hardly boasted any positive moves in the listless 90 minutes.

It was Bima's first draw after two defeats and a win to increase their tally to four from as many outings, while for Dhanmondi, who are yet to record victory, it was their third draw after their 0-1 defeat at the hands of Victoria in their previous match.

Juergen chalks up quitting plan

MUNICH, Germany, Sept 1: Star German striker Juergen Klinsmann announced here on Saturday that he intends to retire from football after the 1998 World Cup in France, reports AFP.

Klinsmann, who captained Germany to victory at Euro '96, finishes his contract with Bayern Munich on June 30, 1998, shortly before his 34th birthday.

He will then play in the World Cup finals before quitting.

The veteran striker revealed his end-of-career plans in an interview with German newspaper Sueddeutsche Zeitung.

In the same article Klinsmann criticised one of his young Bayern teammates Mehmet Schuster for publicly attacking fellow German international and Borussia Dortmund player Matthias Sammer.

"He violates our code of honour that dictates against publicly criticising another player," said Klinsmann.

"Berti Vogts (the German coach) will put him straight," he added. Klinsmann is preparing to play his first international since Euro '96 when Germany faces Poland in a friendly match on Wednesday.

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 warm-up to the World Cup that France hosts in 1998, reports AP.

After a scoreless first period, Nicolas Ouedec put France on the board with a goal 49 minutes into the second, and Youri Djorkaeff followed with another four minutes later.

The victory was a huge morale booster for the French national team, eliminated from Euro '96 play two months ago, and for the 18,000 fans who came out to cheer them.

Fierce offensive play by the French in the first half met equally fierce defensive play by the Mexicans, and the two teams battled to a scoreless halftime.

The real action didn't happen until the final 10 minutes, when Mexico burst free on a long ball by Ramon Ramirez, falling just short of Luis Garcia.

An errant kick by Mexico's Bixente Lizarrazu landed at the feet of Ouedec, only to be snatched away by Mexican guard Oswaldo Sanchez. But France rallied to put away the two goals in the final minutes.

Dhaka Club monsoon golf

Dhaka Club monsoon golf tournament 1996, sponsored by M. Salahuddin Abdullah, a member of the executive committee of the Dhaka Club, was played in the Dhaka Club Golf Course last Friday, reports BSS.

Belaluddin became the champion, Rezaul Rahman runner-up, Tareq Taher best gross, Iqbal Mahmood longest drive and best front nine, M. Samad best second nine and Hafizullah nearest to the pin.

Pakistan salvage pride



NOTTINGHAM, England, Sept 1: Pakistan beat England by two wickets to win the third and final

Trophy one-day cricket international at Trent Bridge today, report agencies.

Earlier, England opening batsman Nick Knight scored his second century in two days. Knight, who scored 113 in England's series-clinching 107-run victory at Edgbaston Saturday, hit an unbeaten 125 — the top score in a below average batting performance by the home side.

Knight, continuing his sublime form, was the only batsman who looked completely comfortable against the tourists attack, who saved their best performance in the series until last.

Pakistani captain Wasim Akram collected three wickets, while Waqar Younis, off-spinner Saqlain Mushtaq and 18-year-old debutant Shahid Nazir claimed two wickets each.

Wasim, desperate for at least one victory broke through in the third over after England captain Mike Atherton had won the toss.

Wasim dismissed Alec Stewart, who had combined with Knight to set up Saturday's victory for England with a rapid opening partnership of 103 runs — caught and bowled for three making it 10 for one.

Wasim and Waqar kept the pressure on and restricted England's run-rate to under four an over for the first ten overs.

Atherton — who has come in at No 3 in all three of the one-day internationals — and Knight cautiously pushed the score past 50 in the 12th over, but in the 13th over Atherton was struck on the hand by a rising delivery from Shahid, who was one of three Pakistanis making their international one-day debut.

Atherton retired hurt fearing a broken thumb, bringing Matthew Maynard to the crease, who combined with Knight to take England past 100

by the 22nd over. But Shahid struck again, this time collecting a wicket after bowling Maynard for 24 with the score 108 for two in the 23rd over.

Knight progressed serenely past 50, but new batsman Graham Lloyd was caught in close off Saqlain for 15 making it 137 for three.

Shahid picked up his second wicket two runs later when he bowled Ronnie Irani for no score.

All-rounder Adam Holoake, who took four wickets in his debut for England Saturday,

was less impressive with the bat and was caught out off Saqlain for 13 in the 38th over with the score 178 for five.

Atherton re-entered before Knight registered his successive century from 120 balls including nine boundaries, but then the captain fell when his former county colleague Wasim returned and had him caught out for 30 in the 45th over with the score 216 for five.

Wasim, bowling with fire after a wicketless and expensive 10 overs with the ball Saturday, then bowled Darren Gough (5) with a vintage in-swinging yorker.

Waqar then repeated that

match, were unable to repeat their performance.

Austria's best chance came in the 63rd minute with Stephan Marasek of SC Freiburg taking advantage of a scramble in the Scottish penalty area but his shot narrowly passing the left-hand post.

They also went close a minute before the interval when a promising attack saw the ball fall to Markus Schopp but he hit his shot wide.

Everton's Duncan Ferguson went close for Scotland in the 65th minute when he forced

Austrian goalkeeper Michael Konecny to a diving save.

Two Scotland players were shown yellow cards, captain Gary McAllister for bringing down Andreas Heral and Ferguson for arguing against the referee's decision.

The result is acceptable, Scottish coach Craig Brown told reporters. "We'd hoped not to lose and we tried not to play for a draw but the Austrian defence was simply too good."

St. Rapid's Dietmar Kuehnbauer, who gave an impressive performance, said the team started off well but let the game slip after the first 30 minutes.

"Somehow it seemed there were less than 11 players on the pitch. We have lost two points. The Scots are not really a great team and we should have won," he said.

Austrian coach Herbert Prohaska said his team had displayed great fighting spirit but sometimes lacked ideas.

But as Borwn's stalwarts came away from their first major excursion of the new season with the feeling of a job well done, there was doom and gloom in Belfast as Northern Ireland's began their programme disastrously by going down 1-0 at home to Ukraine.

Substitute Sergei Rebrov scored a late goal to give the Ukrainians the result they desperately needed as in the tough Group Nine qualifier.

Rebrov delivered the killer blow in the 79th minute when he rose above two defenders to head home a cross from Victor Skrypnyk. Goalkeeper Alan Fettes, who had produced a string of superb saves, got a hand to the ball but was unable to prevent it going into the net.

With European champions Germany and the talented Portuguese in their group, Bryan Hamilton's men now have a mountain to climb.

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feat by bowling Croft for no score and Alan Mullally for two after Peter Martin had been run out for six.

SCOREBOARD
Scorecard of the third and final one-day international between England and Pakistan at the Trent Bridge on Sunday:

ENGLAND
Knight not out 125
Stewart c and b Wasim 3
Atherton c Nazir b Wasim 30
Maynard b Nazir 24
Lloyd c Shadab b Saqlain 15
Irani b Nazir 3
Holoake c Ijaz b Saqlain 13
Gough b Wasim 5
Croft b Waqar 0
Martin run out 6
Mullally b Waqar 2
Extras: (b2, lb8, w-9, nb-4) 23
Total: (all out, 50 overs) 246

Fall of wickets: 1-10: 2-108; 3-137; 4-139; 5-178; 6-216; 7-226; 8-231; 9-240

BOWLING: O M R W
Wasim Akram 10 1 45 3
Waqar Younis 10 1 49 2
Shahid Nazir 10 0 47 2
Asif Mujtaba 5 0 27 0
Saqlain Mushtaq 10 0 35 2
Aamir Sohail 5 0 33 0

PAKISTAN
Saeed Anwar b Martin 61
Shahid Anwar lbw b Martin 37
Ijaz Ahmed c Lloyd b Gough 59
Aamir Sohail b Croft 29
Shadab Kabir c Irani b Holoake 0
Asif Mujtaba b Holoake 2
Wasim Akram lbw b Holoake 5
Shahid Latif not out 31
Saqlain Mushtaq c Maynard b Holoake 12
Waqar Younis not out 0
Extras: (lb-5, w-6) 11
Total: (for 8 wickets, 49 overs) 247

Fall of wickets: 1-93; 2-114; 3-177; 4-182; 5-187; 6-199; 7-219; 8-240.

Did not bat: Shahid Nazir.

Bowling: O M R W
Gough 10 1 43 1
Mullally 9 0 66 0
Martin 10 0 38 1
Croft 10 0 38 1
Irani 2 0 12 0
Holoake 8 4 45 4

Result: Pakistan won by two wickets.