#### Steve to miss Sydney Test

BRISBANE. Nov 26: Australia recalled all-rounder Greg Blewett on Tuesday as replacement for injured Steve Waugh for the second Test against West Indies starting in Sydney on Friday, reports Reuter.

Leg-spinner Peter McIntyre was also added to a 13-man squad in an otherwise unchanged line-up. The squad will be reduced to 12 after a Thursday training session.

first Test by 123 runs on Tuesday, may be without fast bowler Kenneth Benjamin for the encounter at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

in Brisbane and was rated a doubtful starter by West Indies

Blewett has played nine Tests for Australia, including four during Australia's series win against West Indies in the Caribbean early last year.

The 25-year-old right-hanlater last year

to India after leg-spinner Shane Warne withdrew because of in-

Tests for Australia, against India last month and England in Adelaide two years ago His inclusion indicates Aus

tralia may consider pairing him with Warne on a pitch which is traditionally receptive to slow bowling.

#### SQUAD

**AUSTRALIA:** Mark Taylor (captain). Matthew Elliott. Ricky Ponting, Mark Waugh, Greg Blewett, Michael Bevan lan Healy, Shane Warne, Paul Reiffel. Glenn McGrath.

## behind FA

LONDON. Nov 26: Britain's

An FA delegation including England coach Glenn Hoddle was at Downing Street for an hour long meeting with Major a regular visitor to Chelsea matches — to discuss the possibility of government backing

of next February's World Cup qualifier against Italy.

bid to bring the game's show piece occasion back after a 40 year absence following the suc

It is estimated that staging the World Cup could cost double the 150 million pounds (about 230 million dollars) it cost for the European Championships but FA chief executive Graham been discussed so far

"We are not at that stage yet, he said. "We haven't quantified the costs of a bid completely but it's safe to say that we are very pleased with the support from Mr Major

something that will be examined in the meetings which will start in two weeks time but it's important for us to discuss these things in full before we made any request for help from

1974.

German officials have ac cused the FA of bad faith citing an implicit agreement that support for England's Euro '96 bid would be followed by reciprocal support by the FA for the 2006

about it, he said. "At the moment we have as healthy a rivalry off the fields as we have so cyten on it.

It is likely that Africa yet to host the World Cup, will also naake a strong bid with South Aurica, who hosted this year's African Nations' Cup. the frontrunners from that continent.



Glenn McGrath (3rd from R) is being congratulated by teammates after bowling West Indian Shivnarine Chanderpaul out at the Gabba yesterday. - AFP/UNB photo

## Windies stoop to Aussies

capitulated around him -

largely through to some irre-

sponsible batting, particularly

from Brian Lara and Carl

others didn't give him (Cam-

pbell) enough support," said

West Indies skipper Courtney

dismissals just when we looked

I am disappointed that the

"Most of them got out to soft



BRISBANE, Nov 26: Australia took a 1-0 lead in their quest to retain the Frank Worrell Trophy by beating the West Indies by 123 runs in

the first cricket Test at the Gabba on Tuesday, reports AP. Set to make 420 runs to win. the West Indies were bowled out for 296 seven minutes into the last hour despite a back-to-the-

HEALY ...m-o-m

Australia scored 479 and 217

The win gave Australia back

for six declared, while the West

Indies scored 277 in their first

to back successes against the

West Indies following their in-

nings and 53 runs win in the

fourth Test in Kingston, Ja

maica, 18 months ago. That vic

tory saw the Australians win

led the victory charge with four

for 60 and was well supported

by left-arm spinner Michael

Bevan, who returned career

series is always a bonus," said

Australian captain Mark Tay

lor. "The first Test is always the

vital one and I was very happy

the way the guys hung in there

"If we can keep the same

Leg spinner Shane Warne

commitment we will be hard to

took two for 92 in 41 over to go

innings in a satisfactory return

Test cricket." Taylor said. "It is

not easy to come back after 10

for 407 minutes, his teammates

"He is getting his way into

While Campbell stonewalled

with his two for 88 in the first

to the test arena after injury.

best figures of three for 45

over the whole five days.

Fast bowler Glenn McGrath

Winning the first Test of a

innings

like picking up the momentum." Lara and Hooper went into wall century from opener the final day carrying the West Sherwin Campbell Indies hopes of salvaging a Lara and then Hooper fell to shots unbecoming to batsmen of their stature. Lara (44) chased

the first ball he faced from medium paceman Paul Reiffel and presented Mark Waugh with a sharp chance at second With the lunch break minutes away. Hooper swept part-

time spinner Bevan and topedged a catch to wicketkeeper Ian Healy. Hooper managed just 23 runs to go with his first innings cen-

Healy was named man-ofthe-match for his contributions of a career best unbeaten 161 and 45 not out, along with four

catches. "You have to give credit where credit is due: Healy played a blinder, said Walsh, His (first) innings changed the course of the match.

From 163 for three at lunch. the West Indies lost three more wickets in the post-lunch session - Shivnarine Chanderpaul (14). Jimmy Adams (2) and Courtney Browne (20) as they sought to push the pace along.

"We came to score the rounds. We wanted to approach it positively." Walsh said.

Campbell was the man ninth out - trapped lbw by Bevan for 113 — as Bevan and McGrath wrapped up the tail

Campbell, playing his 12th Test, reached 1,000 Test runs when he passed 97. He hit just nine boundaries off 327 balls. It was not surprising the tourists fell short of their tar

Only Australia (404 3 in England in 1948) and India 406 4 in the West Indies in 1976) have made 400 in the fourth innings of a Test match

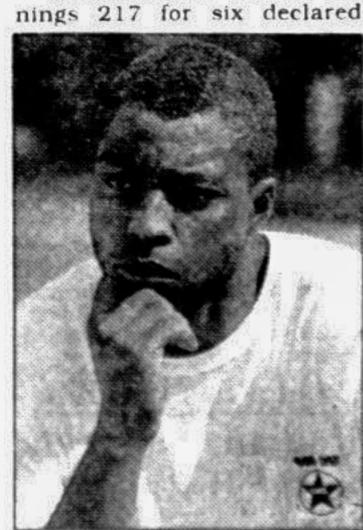
"The Australians came out and played good, tight cricket, Walsh said Once they got a good first innings lead, they didn't give us a look in from

West Indies fast bowler Kenny Benjamin could be a doubtful starter for the second Test, which begins in Sydney on Friday. Benjamin has a niggling knee injury.

> SCOREBOARD Scoreboard on the fifth and

final day of the first Test between Australia and West Indies at the Gabba on Tuesday: AUSTRALIA: First innings

479 (Ian Healy 161 not out) WEST INDIES: First inning 277 (Carl Hooper 102) AUSTRALIA: Second in-



CAMPBELL ... 113

(Mark Waugh 57) nings (overnight 89 for one) Campbell Ibw b Vevan Samuels c Taylor b Warne Lara c M Waugh b Reiffel Hooper c Healy b Bevan Chanderpaul b McGrath

Adams lbw b Warne Browne c Healy b McGrath Bishop c Ponting b Bevan Ambrose c Warne b McGrath Benjamin lbw b McGrath Walsh not out Extras (nb-7, b-8 lb-3)

Total: (106.5 overs) Fall of wickets, 1-54, 2-118 3-154, 4-187, 5-202, 6-241, 7-281, 8-293, 9-293 Bowling M 0

McGrath 29.5 60 13 29 Kasprowicz Reiffel 58 0 Warne 16 92 14 Bevan 46

Result: Australia won by 123 runs. Man of the match: lan Healy (Australia).

The second Test will be played in Sydney, starting on

The third Test will be played in Melbourne between December 26-30, followed by the fourth Test in Adelaide etween January 25-29 and the fifth Test in Perth between February 1-5.

definitely the one to look out

for no question." Graf said of

Hingis, who began the year

ranked 16th and finished num-

without being afraid, with the

freshness, I definitely see her as

year for the elite, 16-player

field but was honoured here as

other players and now I reached

the finals so it was like a little

dream came true," said Hingis,

whose bigger dreams involve

anyone, but the German sees

STEFFI GRAF

something special in Hingis.

Graf is not about to yield to

most impressive newcomer.

The way she's been playing

Hingis did not qualify last

"Last year I was watching the

#### SA seek ICC report on

Sport

JOHANNESBURG, Nov 26: South Africa's cricket supremo Ali Bacher is asking the International Cricket Council for the referee's match report on the first Test against India, reports Reuter.

The request follows an angry comment from coach Bob Woolmer that they had been "stuffed" before the Test because of wickets and practice facilities of a type they did not want. Bacher, managing director

of the United Cricket Board of South Africa, said on Monday, "There were several aspects of the game which were unsatisfactory, but we will wait for John Reid's reports before discussing any action."

The match ended in Ahmedabad on Saturday in 64-run win for India after South Africa were skittled out for 105 on

wearing wicket. Woolmer said on Sunday that he was unhappy with the pitch and the practice facilities for his team.

"I don't mind losing, but I don't like losing having been stuffed for three weeks beforehand on wickets and practice facilities which are not conducive to what we want," he

Woolmer had complained before the Test that although they had won both their warmup games with ease, the opposition was so weak his batsmen had no chance to play an in-

Bacher said on Monday: Facilities are a worldwide problem which require finance together with motivation from the ICC. Countries must be told that they have a responsibility to provide the best possible practice facilities.

"We requested a certain standard of facilities before the tour and it looks like these have not been forthcoming. But the match referee's report is a lot more wide-ranging now and will include comments on practice facilities.

#### Bacher backs Test WC idea

JOHANNESBURG, Nov 26: The United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA) backed on Monday a proposal to form a World Test championship, re ports Reuter

At a news conference UCBSA managing director Ali Bacher said his board would back a proposal by Matthew Engel, the Editor of Wisden, to create a league table for the Test playing nations

Bacher said: "Engel's proposal is well through out and presented and we will be giving it our backing at the next International Cricket Council (ICC) meeting in June 1997."

Engel's blueprint envisages each Test national playing each of the others over a four-yearcycle. The series may be as many as five Tests or as few as one with two points allocated to the winner, one each for a draw and no points for a series Bacher said: "I think the

time is ripe to take a fresh look at the way Test matches are or ganised and this seems to be a good recipe. I have studied Engel's proposal and over the next four years it would only require South Africa to add a home Test against Zimbabwe to our existing commitments.

Bacher said that he had spoken to Engel on the telephone and was due to meet him in London on December 4.

in other developments Bacher announced that South Africa would play three home Tests against Pakistan and two against Sri Lanka in February and March 1998. The three teams will them play a triangu lar one day international se-

## 11 to get Jesse

NEW YORK . Nov 26: Eleven 1996 Olympic gold medalists. four of them in swimming and three in athletics, have been nominated for the 1997 Jesse Owens international trophy award, International Amateur Athletic Association president Edwin Moses announced on Monday, reports Reuter.

American Michael Johnson the first man to take Olympic gold in both the 200 and 400 metres, the 200 with a world record, could also become the first two-time Jesse Owens will be presented on February 4 in New York.

Canadian Donovan Bailey who set a 100 metres world record in Atlanta, and Marie-Jose Perec of France, women's 200 and 400 metres winner. were the other athletics stars nominated.

The swimmers nominated were Penelope Heyns of South Africa, the 100 and 200 metres breaststroke gold medalist Alexsander Popov of Russia, 50 and 100 metres freestyle winner triple gold medalist Michelle Smith of Ireland, 400 freestyle 200 and 400 individual medley and quadruple gold medalist Amy Van Dyken of the United States 50 freestyle, 100 butterfly and 4x100 freestyle and medley relays.

Two Chinese were nominated, diver Fu Mingxia and gymnast Li Xiaoshuang. Also nominated were Cuban boxer Felix Savon and Turkish weightlifter Naim Suley-

presented to the athlete who best personifies excellence in athletic performance and promotes sincere cooperation and understanding among peoples of all nations.

### Injury Cronje's cause of concern

## Ahmedabad tie Calcutta Test begins today



CALCUTTA, Nov 26: South African captain Hansie Cronje conceded here today that century to come from behind to beating India on their home terri tory was one of cricket's tough-

est tasks, reports AFP. But Cronje, whose team crashed to a sensational 64-run defeat in the first of tree Tests at



SACHIN TENDULKAR team would not lie down when

the second Test opens at the Eden Gardens on Wednesday. "Beating India in India is not easy, it ranks among the most difficult things to do." Cronje said of his rivals' Impressive

record of 13 wins in their last 17 home Tests since 1989. "But we have shown a lot of character in the past and I am confident the boys will not go down without a fight.

Cronje, who slammed the wicket, crowd behaviour and lack of practice facilities at Ahmedabad, appeared relieved at the conditions at the 100,000 seater Eden Gardens.

Ahmedabad was a waste of time, but it is a privilege to play at the Eden Gardens," he said This is one of the five best grounds in the world.

The newly-laid wicket which was firm and solid and had a tinge of grass on it, earned praise from the South Africans even as it disappointed the home team.

This is what I call a sporting Test wicket." South African coach Bob Woolmer said. "It will help both the fast bowlers and batsmen at the start and gradually assist turn." Indian captain Sachin

Tendulkar, who had a close look at the pitch with coach Madan Lal. told and official of the Cricket Association of Bengal (CAB) he was disappointed at what was prepared. Leg injuries to pace spear head Allan Donald and bats-

#### 'Golden Ball' chasers

PARIS. Nov 26 (AFP) Nominees for 'Golden Ball' award released here on Monday (name, country of origin, present club):

Gabriel Batistuta (Arg -Fiorentina) :Radek Bejbl (Cze -Atletic Madrid); Patrik Berger (Cze - Liverpool); Olivier Bierhoff (Ger — Udines): Laurent Blane (Fra — Barcelona); Zvonimir Boban (Cro — AC Milan): Alen Boksic (Cro — Juventus): Eric Cantona (Fra - Manchester Utd); Enrico Chiesa (Ita -Parma): Edgar Davids (Ned -AC Milan): Ronald de Boer (Ned

Ajax): Alessandro del Piero (Ita - Juventus): Marcel Desailly (Fra- AC Milan); Didier de Schamps (Fra- Juventus); Youri Djorkaeff (Fra - Inter Milan); Luis Figo (Por -Barcelona): Robbie Fowler (Eng

Liverpool); Thomas Helmer

(Ger — Bayern Munich); Trifon Ivanov (Bul — Rapid Vienna); Nwankwo Kanu (Nig — Inter Milan; Juergen Klinsmann (Ger — Bayern Munich); Andreas Kpoke (Ger - Marseille); Bernard Lama (Fra — Paris Saint Germain); Brian Laudrup (Den - Glasgow Rangers); Jari Litmanen (Fin — Ajax); Paolo Maldini (Ita - AC Milan) Predirag Mijatovic (Yug - Real Madrid): Andreas Moller (Ger — Borussia Dortmund); Pavel Nedved (Cze — Lazio); Jay Jay-Okocha (Nig - Fenerbahce) Karel Poborsky (Cze - Manchester Utd); Rai (Bra — Paris S G); Raul (Spa - Real Madrid); Fabrizio Ravanelli (Ita - Middlesbrough); Ronaldo (Bra -Barcelona): Rui Costa (Por -Fiorentina): Matthias Sammer (Ger — Dortmund); Dejan Sevicevic (Yug - AC Milan); Mehment Scholl (Ger - Bayern Munich); Devid Seaman (Eng — Arsenal); Sergi (Spa Barcelona), Alan Shearer (Eng. Newcastle): Diego Simeone

(Arg — Atletico Madrid); Davor Suker (Cro - Real Madrid); Kubilay Turkyilmax (Swi -Grasshopper Zurich); Gianluca Vialli (Ita - Chelsea); George Weah (Lib — AC Milan); Xavier Zanetti (Arg — Inter Milan); Zinedine Zidane (Fra — Juventus); Christian Ziege (Ger - Bayern Munich).

#### A betting treaty!

ROME, Nov 26: Japanese punters could soon be betting on Italian football results after a top-level Japan delegation met Italian Olympic officials here on Monday, reports AFP. The delegation was led by

Shuji Kawasugi, director of administration and coordina tion at the Japanese Olympic Committee, education ministry officials and a representative of the 1998 Nagano Winter Olympic organisers, Tetsuo Oyama.

The visitors met Mario Pescante, president of the Italian Olympic Committee, to discuss the possibility of making the two hugely popular Italian football pools - Totocalcio and Totogol — available in Japan.

man Jonty Rhodes, however, offered the South Africans little respite as they attempt to become only the third team this

win a three-Test series. "Donald has a 50-50 chance of playing," Woolmer said. "Jonty's chances are even less."

Eastern province captain John Commins, a middle-order batsman who has played three tests, joined the tourists today to stand in for Rhodes, but Cronje was still undecided whether to play him.

"We will wait till Wednesday morning to see Donald's fitness before deciding on the eleven." He said. "We don't want to take chances in this important game." The Indians were facing se-

lection problems of a different

kind after elegant left-hander Saurav Ganguly, who missed the first Test with a hamstring injury, was declared fit to play on his home ground. The Indians who, appear certain to play three spinners, will

have to drop either opener Sanjay Manjrekar or seamer Venkatesh Prasad to accommodate Ganguly. "I am looking to win here and wrap up the series. Tendulkar said, but warned

of bouncing back. "We have them in a corner after winning both the one-day final and the first Test. It will be stupid to surrender the advantage now because they can come back very quickly.

that Cronje's men were capable

We have the support of mil-

lions here. I don't want to let them down

#### **SQUADS**

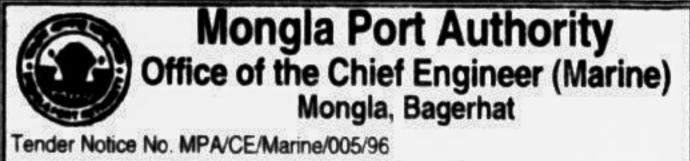
INDIA (from): Sachin Tendulkar (capt), Sanjay Manjrekar, Nayan Mongia, Rahul Dravid, Mohammad Azharuddin, Venkat Laxman, Saurav Ganguly, Sunil Joshi, Javagal Srinath, Anil Kumble, Narendra Hirwani, Ashish Kapoor. Venkatesh Prasad. Pankaj Dharmani.



HANSIE CRONJE

SOUTH AFRICA (From): Hansie Cronje (capt). Andrew Hudson, Gary Kirsten, Daryll Cullinan, Lance Klusener, John Commins, Brian McMillan. Dave Richardson. Pat Symcox, Fanie de Villiers, Paul Adams Nickly Boje, Herschelle Gibbs, Derek Crookes.

Umpires: BC Cooray (Sri Lanka) and VK Ramaswamy



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West Indies, who lost the

Benjamin hurt his left knee

captain Courtney Walsh.

der fell out of favour with selectors after that tour and was dropped for Australia's three-Test series against Sri Lanka Waugh ruled himself out of contention for the Sydney Test

after suffering a groin injury while bowling during West Indies' first innings on Sunday. McIntyre played on Australia's recent unsuccessful tour

McIntyre has played two



football mad Prime Minister John Major threw his support behind the Football Association (FA) bid to bring the World Cup to England in 2006 on Monday, reports AFP.

The FA will be holding further detailed talks with the government within the next two weeks while a measure of the Prime Minister's support would be the staging of a special Downing Street reception ahead

The FA decided to launch a cess of Euro '96.

Kelly insisted finances had not

The question of funding is

the government The FA is unlikely to have a free run, with Germany having already stated their intention to bid to host the competition. last staged in that country in

competition.

But Kelly made clear that wo of football's oldest rivals were again set to do battle. "We have talked to the German Football Association

# All's well that ends well

months

26 (Reuter): Steffi Graf faced the future Sunday and emerged intact as undisputed hampion of women's tennis. Graf showed there is not time like the present and made

16-year-old Swiss heir appar-

ent Martina Hingis await her

day on top of the mountain by

crowning another spectacular

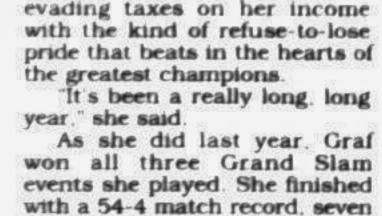
season with a five-set win in the season-ending Chase Championships Graf. 27. overcame a season full of injuries and the deep emotional strain of her father's

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tournament titles and prize money of more than 2.6 million "In a way I'm glad it's done." Graf said after her 6-3, 4-6, 6-0, 4-6 and 6-0 victory over Hingis for a fifth tour final championship title. "In another way, in terms of what I've done in tennis this year. I think I topped

It was so much more diffi cult physically to do it." added Graf who struggled through foot, knee and back injuries to finish the season ranked first for the fourth year in a row. "From that perspective I really outdid myself

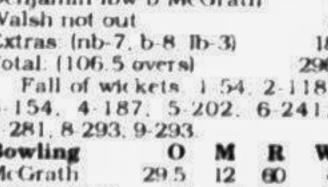
When her father Peter was

finally freed from prison on

bail 11 days ago in Germany af-

ter 15 months internment. Graf said she wished she could leave immediately for a reunion. But there was unfinished business - defending her status in New York as queen of tennis. Victory had to be all the sweeter as Graf ended Jana

Novotna's streak of three straight tournament titles in the semifinals and then stopped the charge of rising star Hingis. Graf gave the fearless Hingis her due after their near threehour battle 'As fast as she is going, she's



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# WEST INDIES: Second in

Ownes award

award winner, having received it this year. The 1997 award

manoglu. The Jesse Ownes award is