

Matthews' 500th wk NSW take the lead

SYDNEY, Jan 6: Former Australia Test all rounder Greg Matthews took his 500th first class wicket on Sunday as New South Wales took a firm grip on their Sheffield Shield match against South Australia, reports Reuter.

New South Wales built a substantial lead of 451 after adding a rapid 173 for three declared to their first innings 415 at Adelaide Oval.

South Australia, bowled out for a paltry 137 in the first innings, then suffered another batting collapse to be 174 for six at close of play on the third day.

The home side still trail New South Wales by 277 runs with only four wickets in hand going into today's final day.

The 37-year-old Matthews, who played 33 Tests for Australia, reached his personal milestone when he had South Australian opener Jeff Vaughan caught for six from his off-spin.

In Perth, Western Australia took control of their day-night match against Victoria at the WACA ground.

Western Australia reduced the visitors to 221 for six in their second innings, a lead of just 58 runs with one day left to play.

Victoria, who scored a first innings 332 before their hosts replied with a massive 495, suffered a blow late in the day when former Test batsman Dean Jones was run to for 75.

Madrid back on top

MADRID, Jan 6: Real Madrid regained their lead in the Spanish First Division on Sunday thanks to a solitary goal from teenager Raul Gonzalez in the snow-affected game against Athletic Bilbao, reports Reuter.

With 42 points from 18 games Real are two points ahead of arch-rivals Barcelona, 1-0 winner at third-placed Deportivo La Coruna on Saturday.

Real had the best of the game but were somewhat fortunate to take three points as Raul's 61st-minute winner took a lucky deflection.

The game could be played only because of the effectiveness of the undersoil heating in the Santiago Bernabeu stadium on a day when Madrid neighbours Rayo Vallecano saw their game with Sevilla postponed because of snow.

The club authorities at one stage had to appeal to fans to stop bombarding players and match officials with snowballs.

The other Madrid team, champions Atletico, came home 4-2 winners from struggling Extremadura after being put on their way by a goal by Daniel Prodan, the Romanian international who is making his Spanish First Division debut.

Two fine goals from striker Kiko Narvaez sealed the game for Atletico. Who went 4-0 up before a late recovery from the home side.

Atletico stayed fifth, 10 points off the pace and three points behind Real Betis who play Valencia today.

Real Sociedad remained sixth thanks to a last-gasp winner against Zaragoza. The defeat left Zaragoza fourth from bottom just 20 months after taking the 1995 European Cup winners' Cup.

Man United beat Tottenham

MANCHESTER, England, Jan 6: Holders Manchester United overcame an injury-hit but spirited Tottenham 2-0 in a typically hard-fought FA Cup third round match at Old Trafford on Sunday, reports Reuter.

The match between the two most successful clubs in the 126-year history of the competition tipped United's way in the 50th minute when Paul Scholes scored with a well-placed 15-metre angled shot that Tottenham keeper Ian Walker had no chance of saving.

David Beckham wrapped the match up 10 minutes from time with a superb goal direct from a 25-metre free kick after Colin Calderwood had fouled Ryan Giggs.

Tottenham had six first team players — with a combined value of 17.5 million pounds — out with illness or injury and debutant Neale Fenn in attack alongside another 19-year-old, Rory Allen, starting only his eighth match. Allen had a chance to equalise for Spurs a minute after United went ahead, but shot wide from an acute angle.

Tottenham emerged from the match with their pride restored after their 7-1 drubbing at Newcastle two weeks ago, but little else.

Out of the League Cup and the title race, their season is effectively over. While United move into the fourth round and stay on course for what would be an unprecedented fourth successive FA Cup final appearance.

United will play either Crewe or Wimbledon at Old Trafford in the next round.

Jason skips Aussie affair

MELBOURNE, Jan 6: Jason Stoltenberg will undergo a wrist operation Tuesday that will force him out of the Australian Open tennis championship starting Jan. 13, reports AP.

The tendon injury to the Australian player also forced him to withdraw from the Colonial Classic at Kooyong which begins Wednesday. His place in the eight-man field that includes Pete Sampras and Boris Becker has been taken by Ukrainian Andrei Medvedev.



South African skipper Hansie Cronje receives the trophy after winning the three-Test series (2-0) against India at Newlands, Cape Town yesterday. — TV photo

Mike on a healing mission

WELLINGTON, Jan 6: England's cricketers arrived in New Zealand today determined to restore their credibility after an embarrassing one-day series whitewash in Zimbabwe, reports Reuter.

"We are confident of beating New Zealand," a defiant England skipper Mike Atherton told the news agency in a telephone interview.

He vowed to take a positive attitude into the three Test matches and five one-day internationals against New Zealand despite the soul-destroying losses in Zimbabwe, England drew their two Test matches against the minnows of world cricket, and they plunged to a 3-0 loss in the one-day series.

"We performed poorly in the one-day internationals in Zimbabwe and we didn't do ourselves justice there. But I think the last three games blurred some of the good cricket we played in the Test matches and we'll be looking to take that same positive attitude into the games in New Zealand," Atherton said.

New Zealand recently returned from a tour of Pakistan where they beat their hosts in the first Test, only to lose the second and draw the series.

Atherton said his side had a healthy respect for New Zealand, but the return of paceman Dominic Cork, who missed the Zimbabwe leg of the tour for personal reasons, had bolstered England's hopes of victory.

"I think he'll beef up our side. He's a natural outswing bowler and we missed that in Zimbabwe," Atherton said.

The English batsmen failed to amass a one-day total of more than 179 in Zimbabwe. And Atherton said they would need to re-think their approach to the shortened game.

But he rejected the suggestion that England lacked world-class batting talent.

"What we've got six or seven top-class players all with Test centuries. They've all got plenty of ability and I'm backing them 100 per cent," he said.

Atherton's own record on tour has been dismal to date. In Zimbabwe he scored just 34 runs in four Test innings and 66 in the three one-dayers, but he was confident of a return to form in New Zealand.

"Sure, my form has been poor in Zimbabwe. It's my challenge to put that right this time round," he said.

"We have a lot of respect for the New Zealand side, a lot of respect for what (captain) Lee Cronje has done with them.

"But naturally, you've got to do into a cricket game with every confidence that you're going to be successful, and that's the attitude we'll be taking."

Atherton, who has been besieged by calls for his resignation since England's slump in Zimbabwe, also reaffirmed his commitment to captain England throughout the tour.

I was appointed for the whole of the winter tour, which included Zimbabwe and New Zealand, and would not be doing my employers justice if I threw in the towel half-way round."

He said he would reassess his captaincy after the tour, which starts on Friday with a one-day match against a New Zealand academy side in New Plymouth.

"I was feeling fine and even when I lost quickly in the second set I wasn't worried and I was thinking about the third set," he said.

"But I've been struggling with the wind over the last couple of months and maybe I need to reassess that because I practise indoors a lot."

"I feel I'm up to the standard but I'm not consistent and it isn't helped by not getting to play in tournaments like this week-in, week-out."

Japan's Naoko Sawamatsu accounted for American Meilen Tu, 7-5, 6-3.

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Pak-Aussie tie today

Sports Reporter
Australia will take on touring Pakistan in a crucial limited-over triangular World Series match in Hobart today.

The hosts have collected four points from five engagements so far, and Pakistan are also on same points but played one match less. West Indies, the other participants in the 50-over-a-side tournament, are leading the table with six points from five matches.

Div I cricket result

Sports Reporter
CITY CLUB: 188 for 9 in 45 overs (Masud Raihan 46, Santosh 23, Reza 22, Masud Rana 5/27)

UTTARA SC: 156 all out in 43 overs (Moin 53, Ratan 32, Zaved 19, Masud Raihan 4/28)
Result: City Club won by 32 runs.

City Club beat Uttara Sporting Club by 32 runs in a First Division cricket league encounter at the City Club ground yesterday.

Batting first, the home side reached 188 for 9 in their 45 overs while Uttara were all out in 43 overs with the scoreboard reading 156.

Rhodes' timely reminder

DURBAN, Jan 6: Forgotten South African batsman Jonty Rhodes gave the national selectors a timely nudge with a career-best 156 not out for Natal on Sunday in the latest round of Supersport Series matches, reports Reuter.

Rhodes, out of favour since playing against India in Ahmedabad last November, batted for just under six hours as Natal reached 349 for seven declared in their second innings.

Set 472 to win free state were 68 without loss at the close of the third day.

Rhodes struck 15 fours and three sixes in a chanceless innings which spanned 285 balls.

"I'm feeling a lot more relaxed with my batting now but I haven't set my sights on getting back into the South African team — if I did, I could get disappointed," Rhodes said.

"Obviously it's my goal to play for South Africa again but it's also my goal to enjoy myself and today I enjoyed myself."

Parma puzzle Juventus

ROME, Jan 6: Parma threw the Italian title race wide open on Sunday by beating Juventus 1-0 while all the other leading sides won to cut Juve's lead at the top of the table, reports Reuter.

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Tasmanian int'l results

HOBART, Jan 6: Seventh seed Florencia Labat of Argentina advanced to the second round of the Tasmanian International tennis tournament Monday with a 7-6 (8-6), 6-5 win over Switzerland's Patty Schnyder, reports AP.

In the upset of the day at the US \$107,000 tournament, Czech Republic qualifier Lenka Cenkova beat German Barbara Rittner in straight sets. Cenkova belied her WTA ranking of 120 with a 7-5, 6-3 win over 45th-ranked Rittner.

Els Callens, a member of Belgium's Fed Cup team, overpowered Japanese qualifier Miho Saeki 7-6 (10-8), (7-5).

S Africa win Test series Indians get cold feet

CAPE TOWN, Jan 6: South Africa won the second Test and the three-Test series against India here today with a crushing 282-run victory at Newlands inside an hour after lunch on the final day, reports AFP.

Hansie Cronje's side set up the unbeatable 2-0 lead in the rubber through some aggressive bowling, brilliant fielding and determined batting, the best of which came in the first innings where the home side declared on 529 for eight.

It was an innings that included centuries from Gary Kirsten, Brian McMillan and a rapid-fire 102 in 100 balls - the fastest Test century by a South African - from Lance Klusener which set up the foundation.

But credit must go to India for never giving up until the final day.

This was typified by the sparkling 169 from Tendulkar and a blazing 115 by Mohammad Azharuddin in the Indian first innings that gave the tourists some hopes even if it left them 170 runs short.

Those were two of the finest innings you'll ever see in Test cricket," said Cronje after it was all over.

But sheer Brilliance alone wasn't enough and, fueled by second innings half-centuries from Hudson, Daryll Cullinan and an unbeaten 59 from McMillan, South Africa declared again on 256 for six to



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leave India the task of scoring 427.

Resuming at 52 for three overnight after losing the wickets of Workeri Ramani (16), Nayan Mongia (2) and Rahul Dravid (12), India had all but bowed to the inevitable by lunch.

India suffered the first of two killer blows when Tendulkar fell to McMillan - later named man-of-the-match - for nine with the total on 59 to a running catch by Lance Klusener.

And when Azharuddin went with just two runs added to the total, following a swinging Donald delivery to give Andrew Hudson a straight forward catch at second slip, it was just a matter of time.

Saurav Ganguly, who had held up the fluttering India flag, went for 30 — 20 of those runs coming from boundaries — in similar fashion.

The elegant left-hander was caught at slip by McMillan, sparring at a delivery from Pollock, with the total on 87.

The rest of the batting lineup went in the 45 minutes after lunch and, with Javagal Srinath ill and unable to come to the crease, India conceded with the score on 144 for nine.

The victory gave South Africa, beaten 2-1 in the corresponding series in India in December, an unbeatable 2-0 lead and a huge psychological edge over the tourists in the final Test at Johannesburg's Wanderers starting on January 16.

SCOREBOARD
SOUTH AFRICA: First Innings 529-7 declared (G Kirsten 103, B McMillan 103 not out, L Klusener 102 not out, D Cullinan 77)

INDIA: First Innings 359 (S Tendulkar 169, M Azharuddin 115)

SOUTH AFRICA: Second Innings 256-6 declared (A Hudson 55, D Cullinan 55, B McMillan 59 not out)

INDIA: Second Innings (overnight 52-3)

Raman c Richardson b Pollock 16
Mongia b Donald 2
Dravid c Richardson b Adams 12
Ganguly c McMillan b Pollock 30
Tendulkar c Klusener b McMillan 9
Azharuddin c Hudson b Donald 2
Laxman not out 35
Kumble c Richardson b Adams 14
Ganesh b Donald 1
Prasad c Richardson b Adams 15
Srinath absent injured 0
Extras: (b-1, w-2, nb-5) 8
Total: 144

Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-26; 3-44; 4-59, 5-61; 6-87, 7-115, 8-121; 9-144.

Bowling O M R W
Donald 18 5 40 3
Pollock 12 2 29 2
Klusener 9 3 13 0
McMillan 11 4 16 1
Adams 16.2 4 45 3

Result: South Africa won by 282 runs to take a winning 2-0 lead in the three-Test series.

First Test (Durban): South Africa won by 328 runs.
Third Test: Johannesburg, January 16-20.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer
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Tender Notice

Notice No. 13/FD/MZ/96-97
Dated: 21-12-96

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No-2911 are hereby invited from Facilities Department enlisted A/1 class contractors for the undermentioned works.

a) Description of works:

Group No.	Name of District	Name of Thana	Name of Educational Institution	Estimated cost (in Taka)	Earnest money (in Taka)	Time limit for completion of work
01.	Gopalganj	Kotalipara	Kalabari Union Ideal College	25,00,000/-	50,000/-	6 (six) months
02.	—do—	Tungipara	Dr. Emdadul Haq Memorial College	25,00,000/-	50,000/-	6 (six) months
03.	—do—	Kashiani	Kashiani M A Khalique Degree College	25,00,000/-	50,000/-	6 (six) months
04.	Shariatpur	Jajira	Jajira Degree College	25,00,000/-	50,000/-	6 (six) months

b) Last date & time of purchasing tender document : 18-01-97 (during office hours).

c) Last date & time of receiving tender document : 20-01-97 up to 1:00 PM.

d) Date & time of opening tender box : Will be opened on 20-01-97 at 1:30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any present).

e) Offices where tender document will be available and received : Head Office, Facilities Department, Shiksha Bhaban, Dhaka/Office of the Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Dhaka/Madaripur/Narayanganj/Mymensingh/Faridpur/Tangail/Narsingdi/Savar/Kishoreganj Zone and office of the Assistant Engineer, Facilities Department, Shariatpur/ Gopalganj District Office.

f) Conditions:

- At the time of purchasing tender contractors/contractor firms shall have to obtain prior permission from the appropriate authority to purchase tender by producing their enlistment register (renewed up to current year).
- Contractors/contractor firms taking part in the tender should be registered for Value Added Tax (VAT) as per rule. Original copy of registration certificate must be produced at the time of purchasing tender document. VAT & income tax will be deducted from the bill as per rule.
- If, under any circumstance, the selected educational institution is changed/cancelled, then the contractor/contractor firm cannot claim any additional financial benefit for that. If claimed, it will not be acceptable.
- The tender will be treated as rejected outright if any additional condition is inserted by the tenderer.
- If any contractor/contractor firm submits tender quoting rate more than 5% (five per cent) below the estimated cost then their submitted tenders will be treated as cancelled outright.
- If the following terms & conditions are not fulfilled then the tender will be treated as cancelled outright.
 - 2% (two per cent) of the estimated cost must be deposited in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank in favour of Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Madaripur Zone, Madaripur.
 - Attested copy of certificate on satisfactory completion of a building construction work containing civil, sanitary & electrical works worth one third of the value of this Department's similar work within the past three years, and work order should be enclosed.
 - If the rate in tender document is quoted below the estimated rate & 5% (five per cent) above then itemwise rate analysis (original copy) must be submitted with the tender.
 - Such contractors of this Department as could not complete civil work of 1994-95 financial year or even before without any appropriate reason, need not purchase the tender.
 - Bill will be paid to the contractor subject to receipt of allotment. But the contractor should be bound to complete the work within the prescribed time.

Other information and terms & conditions regarding the tender will be available in the tender document. The authority reserves the right to accept any tender or reject any/all tenders without assigning any reason.

Abdus Salam Khan
Executive Engineer
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German guns Greg down

AUCKLAND, Jan 6: Big-serving seventh seed Greg Rusedski, of Britain, became the first casualty of the tennis Open here today when he fell 2-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5) to Wimbledon quarterfinalist Alex Radulescu of Germany on the opening day, reports AFP.

Canadian-born Rusedski, ranked 47th in the world and recognised as the fastest server in the game at 225 km/h (140 mph), could not adjust to the strong swirling winds which swept the main court.

He was not the only one to suffer, with the only New Zealander on court today, Alistair Hunt, also struggling as he went