

Third one-dayer tied



NAPIER. New Zealand and England played to a rare tie in the third one-dayer cricket match at McLean Park, reports AP.

The home side failed to take advantage of ideal batting conditions and were dismissed for 237, but they then restricted the visitors to 237 for eight in reply in the day-night contest.

The tie means England cannot be beaten in the five-match series. The tourists went into the game with a 2-0 lead.

With Darren Gough at the wicket, England took a bye from the last ball to pull level with the Kiwis.

Graham Thorpe steadied the England innings with a dashing 55 from 61 balls after New Zealand all-rounder Chris Harris took three for 20 from 10 overs and left the tourists struggling on 127 for five.

When Thorpe was dismissed at 174, Craig White and Dominic Cork took England to the brink of victory with a stand worth 58 runs for the seventh wicket.

White, who had earlier taken four for 37, was run out for 39 attempting a second leg by from the third ball of an incident-packed final over bowled by Geoff Allott.

Robert Croft then smashed the first ball he received over mid-wicket for four, leaving England needing just two runs from the final two balls.

Croft, however, was bowled by the penultimate ball and Allott's final delivery beat Gough—only for Cork to race through for the bye as New Zealand skipper Lee Germon's underarm throw missed the stumps.

New Zealand earlier squandered an excellent start and was bowled out in the final one of its 50 overs.

Opening batsman Nathan Astle peeled off a string of boundaries with crunching strokes but at 34—off 32 balls—he miscued fast-medium pacerman Gough's third ball of the innings to pop up a simple catch.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard in third one-dayer cricket international between New Zealand and England:

NEW ZEALAND	
Young b Caddick	53
Astle c Stewart b Gough	34
Germon st Stewart b Croft	22
Fleming run out	12
Cairns c Cork b Caddick	11
Parore c and b White	24
Harris c Stewart b White	19
Larsen c Stewart b Gough	18
Doull b White	23
Davis b White	1

Allott not out 19
Extras: (lb-11, w-4, nb-4) 237
Total: (49.4 overs) 237
Fall of wickets: 1-50; 2-103; 3-125; 4-140; 5-145; 6-178; 7-191; 8-233; 9-234.

Bowling:	O	M	R	W
Cork	9	1	41	0
Caddick	10	2	43	2
Gough	10	0	34	2
Irani	5	0	42	0
Croft	10	0	42	1
White	5.4	0	37	4

ENGLAND
Knight c and b Allott 39
Thorton b Harris 23
Stewart b Harris 17
Thorpe c Germon b Doull 55
Hussain b Harris 13
Irani c Doull b Larsen 4
White run out 39
Cork not out 31
Croft b Allott 4
Gough not out 0
Extras: (b-2, lb-3, w-5, nb-2) 12
Total: (for 8 wickets in 50 overs) 237
Fall of wickets: 1-67; 2-82; 3-87; 4-114; 5-127; 6-174; 7-232; 8-236.

Bowling:	O	M	R	W
Doull	9	0	53	1
Allott	9	2	50	2
Davis	10	0	40	0
Harris	10	3	20	3
Larsen	10	0	50	1
Astle	2	0	19	0

Did not bat: A Caddick
Result: Match tied.
First match: England won by four wickets.
Second match: England by six wickets.
Fourth match: March 1, Auckland.
Fifth match: March 4, Wellington.

Shearer sidelined

NEWCASTLE, England, Feb 26: The world's costliest player Alan Shearer had his third groin operation on nine months on Tuesday and will



miss Newcastle UEFA Cup quarterfinal tie against Monaco next week, reports Reuters.

"He's been felling some discomfort for the last three weeks and the only thing that can be done is to operate again," said spokesman Graham Courtney said.

St Gregory's sports meet

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English Grand Master Jim Plaskett ponders over his next move during yesterday's engagement against Dmitri Maumov of Uzbekistan in the third United Insurance Grand Masters' chess tournament at the NSC. — Star photo

Plaskett takes lead

Sports Reporter

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Aussies in smooth swing



SOWETO, Feb 26: Australia fired by an incisive new-ball burst from Andrew Bichel and Jason Gillespie completed their build-up to the first Test against South Africa with a fifth consecutive win on Tuesday, report agencies.

The touring team cruised to a 79-run victory against a Transvaal Invitation XI at the Elkhah Stadium, scoring 261 for seven in their 45 overs and dismissing the local side for 182 with three overs left.

The game was over as a contest by the 10th over of Transvaal's reply when wicket-keeper Nic Pothas was caught off Bichel without scoring, reducing his side to 29 for five.

Gillespie picked up two wickets but it was Bichel who did the real damage, removing Test player Adam Bacher for three and highly rated youngsters Neil McKenzie (15) and Pothas to finish with three for 21.

There were only two stands of substance for the home side. Firstly between Transvaal all-rounder Andrew Hall and Johannesburg schoolboy Solly Ndima.

They put on 53 for the sixth wicket, Ndima making 35 from 41 balls with six boundaries before having his middle stump removed by Greg Blewett.

Transvaal captain Clive Eksteen made 42 from 64 balls and added 54 for the ninth wicket with Wayne Kidwell, who finished 30 not out.

Earlier, Justin Langer (63) and Matthew Elliott (69) laid the foundation for Australia's

challenging total by putting on 117 for the second wicket.

The tempo was lifted when Michael Bevan (49) and Matthew Hayden (47) smashed 98 for the fourth wicket in 11 overs.

The invitation side gained a small measure of respite when Hall and Kidwell shared four wickets for four runs at the end of the innings.

Australia have now won all five games ahead of the first of three Tests against South Africa, starting in Johannesburg on Friday.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the one-day match between Australia and a Transvaal Invitation XI at the Elkhah Stadium in Soweto on Tuesday:

AUSTRALIA	
Blewett c Pothas b Hall	6
Langer c Bodi b Eksteen	63
Elliott c Pothas b Mafa	69
Bevan b Hall	49
Hayden c Pothas b Hall	47
Taylor c Mafa b Kidwell	2
Mafa c Mafa b Hall	0
Healy not out	3
Bichel not out	1
Extras: (b-4, lb-6, nb-1, w-10)	21
Total: (for seven wickets in 45 overs)	261

Fall of wickets: 1-13; 2-130; 3-156; 4-254; 5-255; 6-256; 7-258.

Did not bat: Paul Reiffel and Jason Gillespie.

Bowling:	O	M	R	W
Kidwell	9	0	42	1
Hall	9	0	49	4
Mafa	7	0	53	1
Bacher	5	0	30	0
Bodi	6	0	43	0
Eksteen	8	0	22	1
McKenzie	1	0	12	0

TRANSVAAL INVITATION XI

Manack c Reiffel b Gillespie	0
Bacher c Waugh b Bichel	3
McKenzie c Waugh b Bichel	15
Toynana c Bevan b Gillespie	3
Ndima b Blewett	35
Pothas c Langer b Bichel	0
Hall c Langer b Bichel	16
Eksteen c Gillespie b Elliott	42
Bodi b Bevan	16
Kidwell not out	30
Mafa c Reiffel b Elliott	3
Extras: (b-5, lb-4, nb-3, w-7)	19
Total: (all out in 42 overs)	182

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-21; 3-27; 4-27; 5-29; 6-82; 7-88; 8-118; 9-172; 10-182.

Bowling: O M R W
Gillespie 5 1 21 2

Seaman doubtful

LONDON, Feb 26: England and Arsenal goalkeeper David Seaman could be sidelined for the rest of the season after suffering a freak knee injury at home, reports AP.

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Here's what you should do in 1997

* Walk that couple of hundred metres instead of taking a car or bus, whenever you can.

* Walk that short distance from home to the nearby shops instead of taking a rickshaw.

* In the evenings, when it cools down, put on your walking shoes, strap on a walkman and walk briskly to the rhythm of a favourite piece of music for at least 30 minutes. Ambling and window shopping, even for hours, has little benefit as you are not exercising the cardiovascular system.

* Walk up and down stairs briskly.

* Do the more vigorous house work instead of leaving it to the butler.

* Take the dog for walk.

* Go to the park with your children and play with them.

* As you watch TV, do sit-ups, press-ups and flexibility exercises like trying to touch your toes, knee bends and air punching or do some gentle calisthenics. Don't be a couch potato. Just keep your body moving!

Every little bit helps, the above is just a list of many things you can do in lieu of real exercise. At first do them consciously but after a while, you begin to get used to the routine and you will not like staying sedentary for long.

Try to exercise 20 minutes at a time, 3 days a week. Any regular activity that leaves you warmed up & slightly breathless will cut the risk of heart disease.

This exercise helps in reducing your waistline and burn tone that very difficult spot on the side. Do not use your elbow, cross arms across chest and lift up. Breathe out as you come and breathe in as you lower your body.

Toning the abdominal and oblique muscles by doing sit-ups will also reduce your waist line. Same breathing as above. Keep back flat and neck relaxed. Isolate your stomach muscles and work on them.

Models: Simone, Bora, Bettina, Rezwan, Mehboob and Enam.

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Higher Secondary Education Project
Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education
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Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka

Tender No. HSEP/Pro-D/Sc. equip (ADB)/44/96/2915 Dated: 24-02-97

Re-Tender Notice for Local Competitive Bid

for Procurement of Scientific equipments (Chemistry)

1. The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a loan from Asian Development Bank (Loan # 1123 BAN (SF)) for Higher Secondary Education Project under Ministry of Education. A portion of the loan proceeds has been earmarked for procurement of scientific equipment (Chemistry).

2. The Programs Director, Higher Secondary Education Project, Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education, House #13, Road #4, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1205 now invites sealed tenders in prescribed form from the manufacturers/agents/distributors/bonafide dealers/suppliers of scientific equipments (Chemistry) of ADB member countries for the project institutions.

3. A complete set of bidding documents with terms & conditions can be obtained on submission of written application (along with a set of documents mentioned in clause No. 4 attested by class-I Gazetted Officer) on cash payment of Taka 1,000.00 (one thousand) only (non-refundable) in favour of Programs Director, Higher Secondary Education Project, Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education, Road #4, House #13, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka from the office of the undersigned or from the Ministry of Education (Sr. Asst. Secretary, Section-12, Room-1825, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka) or from the office of Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Dhaka or from the office of Director General, Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education, Shikha Bhaban, Dhaka on all working days during the office hours from 04/03/97 to 13/03/97.

4. The bid must be accompanied by the following documents:
(a) Valid up-to-date trade license (b) manufacturers and agency/dealership certificate/supplier certificate from any govt. or autonomous organization, (c) Up-to-date income tax payment certificate/TIN, (d) Bank solvency certificate, (e) VAT Registration certificate, (f) Experience certificate/Performance certificate (Tk. 10 lac in a single work order of similar nature), (g) Previous Bill of lading & bill of entry indicating the port of shipment (where applicable), (h) Certificate of Financial capability from any scheduled bank to execute minimum work value of Tk. 50 lacs only, (i) Location of showroom, factory and office of firm (where applicable).

5. The bidders will have to submit their technical proposal and financial proposal in separate envelope properly sealed. The technical offers will be opened in the bid opening date in presence of the bidders, if any. After preliminary evaluation of the technical offers, the qualified bidders will be asked to submit the sample of items. After technical evaluation of the bids on the basis of submitted sample, technically qualified/suited firm's financial envelope will be opened in the meeting of the tender committee in presence of technically qualified bidders (if present). Technically unsuccessful bidders' financial offers will be returned unopened.

6. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond of Tk. 1.25 lac in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the Programs Director, Higher Secondary Education Project, House #13, Road #4, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

7. All the bids should be delivered either via air mail/Courier/or in person to the undersigned or in the office of Ministry of Education (Sr. Asst. Secretary, Section-12, Room-1825, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka) or in the office of Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Dhaka or in the office of Director General, Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education, Shikha Bhaban, Dhaka on 22/03/97 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon & will be opened on the same date at 1:00 PM in presence of the bidders or their representative (s) if any.

8. The authority is not bound to accept the lowest priced bid and reserves the right (a) to accept or reject any or all bid wholly or partially without assigning any reason whatsoever; (b) to drop out any/all items; and (c) to increase or decrease quantity of any/all items.

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