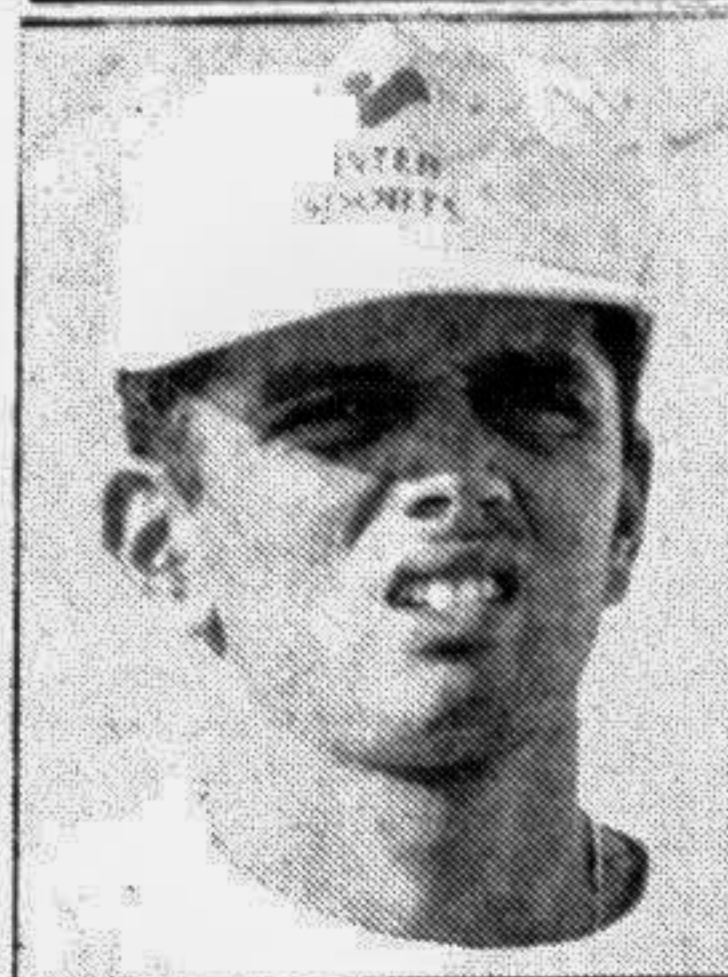


# Column One

## SPORTS TALK



**Rahul Dravid**  
(India batsman)

"They are quite different from each other and bowl well in their spells. Allan Donald, obviously, has speed. Shaun Pollock is very consistent and does not give you anything. Lance Klusener can be deceptively pacy and swings the ball both ways. Brian McMillan is deceptive... in the sense that he has the ability to bowl a beauty and innocuous ones. So all of them are good and one has to be watchful all the time."

Revealing his views about the four South African bowlers.

## Sports

### WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

### Sports WHIZZ KID competition-66

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes 8 pm, March 28, '97

1	Who won the third SAARC cricket tournament?	Pakistan	India	Sri Lanka
2	Who clinched the title of the third Grand Masters' chess tournament?	Thapsay	Zia	Tiakov
3	In which group is Bangladesh placed in the ICC Trophy?	A	B	C
4	How many Tests will India play in their ongoing Caribbean tour?	2	4	5
5	After how many matches has Pete Sampras suffered his first loss this year?	17	18	19

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## Kenya off the mark

KUALA LUMPUR, Mar 24: Israel made their first sporting appearance in Asia since 1974 as their cricket team lost its opening match of the International Cricket Council (ICC) Trophy to Kenya today, reports Reuter.

It is the first-ever visit to Malaysia by an Israeli sporting team, or any official delegation. Predominantly Muslim Malaysia has no diplomatic ties with Israel. "We've had a tremendous reception from the Malaysians and the organiser and we feel very excited and happy to be here," Israeli's team manager Stanley Perlman told the national news agency Bernama. Kenya, who recorded a famous win over the West Indies in the last World Cup, beat Israel by five wickets.

The Malaysian Cricket Association (MCA) said it was the first visit of an Israeli team to Asia since the Asia Games in Tehran in 1974, when Israel and other Middle East countries were considered part of the Asian sporting scene.

**LOWEST SCORE**  
In another match of the day, title aspirants Netherlands beat East and Central Africa by eight wickets.

Batting first, at the RMC ground, the East and Central Africa were shot out in only 15 overs to record the lowest-ever ICC score of 26 runs.  
In reply, the Netherlands overhauled the target in 5.2 overs, losing two wickets.

**TODAY'S MATCHES**  
Gazi Tank 17th National Youth Cricket Championship: (Second day of 3-day final) Comilla vs Khulna (DCS, east)

15th Nirman School Cricket Championship: (Semifinals) Narayanangj Govt HS vs Satirpara KK School (DCG) Rajbari, Zilla School vs Scholastica (DS)

Second Division Football League: (Venue: Mirpur Stadium) Basabo Tarun Sangha vs East End Boys' Club (2:30 pm) Eskaton SS vs Adamjee SCC (4:30 pm)

(Venue: Army Stadium) Shantinagar Club vs Muslim Institute (4 pm)

## Sound start for Bangladesh

# Naimur in thick of things

Sports Reporter

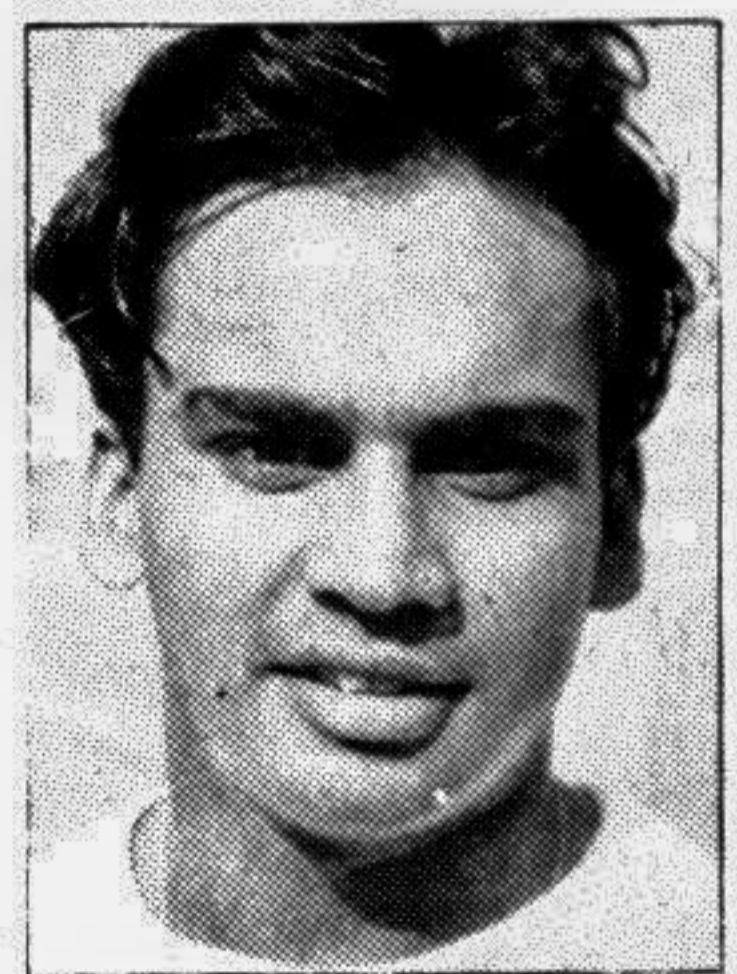
up the winning runs with a towering sixer followed by two successive fours off Tunon. The left-arm spinner and a useful

## ICC TROPHY



long-handed bat with this little gem of a knock showed signs of a great recovery act from a grave ankle injury. Rafique's availability in the ICC mission was in doubt when he was struck by the car of his teammate Enamul Haque Moni at their residential camp in the BKSP a couple of months back.

Earlier, winning the toss and electing to bat in the morning, Argentina were never seen comfortable against a disci-



**DURJOY... all-round show**

plined bowling from Bangladesh. Openers Paterlini and Roberts, however, buckled down to build the innings, putting on 31 runs. But once the two were dismissed by slow left-arm Enamul Haque Moni, Argentina's hopes of scoring even

a face-saving total seemed bleak.

They were at one stage reeling at 104 for eight before lower middle-order bat Irigoyen with an unbeaten 30 off 40 balls gave the Argentine collection some sort of respectability. For Bangladesh, the two tweakers Enamul Haque and Naimur Rahman evenly shared six wickets between them while new-ball bowler Hasibul Hossain Shanto, who mopped up the tail, finished with two for nine runs in his 5.3 overs.

Bangladesh, who have been placed in Group B, will meet West Africa in their second match today.

## SCOREBOARD

<b>ARGENTINA</b>					
M Paterlini lbw b Enamul	14				
Roberts b Enamul	15				
Forrester st K Masood b Naimur	4				
Kirschbaum st K Masood b Naimur	9				
Morris b Enamul	18				
Bever b Enamul b Rafique	7				
Juarez lbw b Naimur	7				
Irigoyen not out	30				
C Tunan run out	1				
Pereyra c K Masood b Hasibul	10				
M Riveros b Hasibul	4				
Extras: (b-1; lb-10; w-9)	20				
Total: (all out in 48.3 overs)	138				
Fall of wickets: 1/31; 2/39; 3/45; 4/54; 5/59; 6/83; 7/98; 8/104; 9/131; 10/138.					

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Saiful Islam	10	2	24	0
Hasibul Hossain	5.3	1	9	2
Enamul Haq	10	4	18	3
Naimur Rahman	10	0	21	3
Rafique	9	0	36	1
Minhazul Abedin	4	1	19	0

<b>BANGLADESH</b>					
Athar Ali not out	39				
Naimur Rahman run out	53				
Sanwar c Kirschbaum b Tunon	1				
Aminul Islam lbw b Irigoyen	4				
Akram c P Rivero b Tunon	11				
M Abedin c M Riveros b Tunon	15				
Rafique not out	14				
Extras: (nb-3; w-11)	14				
Total: (For 5 wickets in 24 overs)	142				
Fall of wickets: 1/78; 2/83; 3/89; 4/115; 5/124.					

Did not bat: Khaled Masood, Hasibul Hossain, Enamul Haq and Saiful.

Bowling	O	M	R	W
H Pereyra	6	0	21	0
D Forrester	2	0	16	0
P Rivero	2	0	15	0
M Riveros	2	0	24	0
C Tunon	8	0	42	3
Irigoien	4	0	24	1

**Result: Bangladesh won by five wickets.**



Defending champion IWM Rani Hamid (L) makes a move against Farzana Khan Ava during their third round engagement in the 18th national women's chess championship at the NSC yesterday.

## Rani going great guns

Sports Reporter

Defending champion International Women Master Rani Hamid maintained her winning spree in the 18th national women's chess championship at the NSC chess room yesterday.

On the third day of the 10-player meet, Rani, who has already bagged the national eves' title a record ten times in the 17 previous editions, tamed Farzana Khan Ava of Manikganj and kept her solo lead with full three points. Playing with white pieces, Rani, the second highest Fide rated women of the country (2055), began with a queen-pawn opening and checkmated her unheralded opponent after 36 moves.

Last year's runner up Tanima Parveen of Dhaka University, who made a sluggish start collecting only half a point from her previous two matches, registered a victory against Zakia Sultana.

In a queen's gambit exchange variation game, Tanima, who played with black pieces, forced Zakia to surrender after 32 moves.

Besides, Rukhsana Gulshan Nikkon defeated Masuda Begum. Playing with whites against the Dutch defence of Masuda, Nikkon won the board after 45 moves.

The day's other two matches — Syeda Shabana Parveen Nipa against Jahan Ara Haque Runa and Afroza Khanum Bably against Nazrana Khan Eva — were going on till our filing of this report last night.

Today's matches, Masuda vs Runu, Eva vs Nikkon, Tanima vs Bably, Ava vs Zakia.

## Youth cricket final Comilla set 267 for victory

Sports Reporter

**KHULNA:** 266 all out in 69.3 overs (Turkey 68, Tushar 37, Sumon 31, Setu 30; Lenin 3/42, Khoka 2/39, Nazrul 2/50)

**COMILLA:** 4 for no loss in 2 overs.  
Comilla will be looking for 263 runs in 78 overs to win against Khulna in the remaining two days of the three-day Gazi Tank 17th national youth cricket championship final which began on the eastern strip of the Dhammondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

At the end of the opening day of the 80-over-a-side final, Comilla, chasing a modest Khulna total of 266 in 80 overs, were four without any loss in two overs.

Both Comilla openers — Imran and Ashique were yet to score as the runs came by Mr Sundries.

Earlier batting first last year's runners-up Khulna, were all out for 266 in 69.3 overs.

Lower middle order bat Turkey hammered highest 68 while Tushar (37), Sumon (31) and Setu (30) were the other notable run-getters.

For Comilla, medium-pace Lenin captured highest three wickets for 42 runs while Khoka and Nazrul shared four wickets.

## ICC's next boss an Indian

KUALA LUMPUR, Mar 24: India will head the International Cricket Council (ICC) after the retirement of chairman Sir Clyde Walcott in June, a senior ICC official said today, reports Reuter.

David Richards, chief executive of the ICC, said India had until May 31 to name their choice for the new post of ICC president which will replace the chairman's job after Barbadian Walcott retires.

Richards said India were unanimously elected to provide the president until June 2000 at a special general meeting of the ICC on Sunday.

Australia were elected as successors to India after 2000. The Australian candidate would serve as vice-president from June 1999 before taking over as president, Richards said.

The president's post was part of a new governing structure aimed at improving the management and development of international cricket, Richards said.

## REGRETS

Due to space constraint our regular item **CROSSWORD** could not be accommodated.

— Sports Editor

# Century eludes Campbell



BRIDGETOWN, Barbados, Mar 24: West Indies Test opening batsman Sherwin Campbell hit 97 as Barbados build a strong position against the touring Indian team on the second day of their three-day match Sunday, reports AP.

Barbados, replying to the visitors' first innings total of 210 reached 337 for four at the close.

The diminutive Campbell added 135 in scintillating fashion for the first wicket with his captain, Philo Wallace, who scored 69.

The pair were particularly severe on the Indian new ball bowlers. Abey Kuruvilla and Dadda Ganesh, who were plagued with no-ball problems throughout the day.

In just 25 overs, the Barbadians went to lunch at 132 without loss.

The introduction of off-spinner Noel David after the break slowed the Barbados scoring rate.

Wallace added just one run, before he was bowled by Kuruvilla padding up to an innings which had followed two out-swingers. The 26-year-old hit 12 fours and two sixes off his 110 balls, which spanned 145 minutes.

Campbell and Adrian Griffith, who played one Test on the recent tour of Australia, soon got back the momentum and added 83 for the second wicket.

But on the stroke of tea, Campbell was caught off bat and pad by the wicketkeeper Syed Saba Karim off the deserving David. His 97 took 238 minutes, 165 balls and was spiced with 16 boundaries.

Left-hander Griffith was soon another David victim, stumped by Karim for 43.

Stanton Proverbs made an enterprising 35 before he was caught close in by Venkata

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