

Column One

SPORTS TALK



Monica Seles
(American tennis player)
"Awesome match. Awesome year."

After losing to World No. 1 Martina Hingis in the Lipton Championship final.

Sports

WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

NOTICE

Due to a series of holidays in the past week many of you have been unable to send in your entries, therefore we have decided to extend the closing date of the current competition No-68 until May 2, 1997.

— Sports Editor

Sports WHIZZ KID competition-68

✓ Tick the Correct Answers
Competition closes 8 pm,
May 2, '97

1	Who won this year's British Open squash title?	Jansher	Nicol	Eyles
2	Who won the Lipton Championship tennis title?	Hingis	Seles	Novotna
3	Who lifted the international water polo trophy?	Army	Sri Lanka	Navy
4	Who clinched the national women's chess crown?	Nipa	Rani	Eva
5	Which team won the Top Five volleyball title?	BDR	Army	Air Force

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Hiroshima halt
Gamba's run

TOKYO, Apr 24: Osaka Gamba star Patrick Mboma lost concentration and allowed Hiroshima to end Gamba's remarkable early season winning run in the J-League with a 2-0 victory on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

The Cameroonian forward, who had led Gamba's winning streak this season, failed to clear after trying to control with his chest a free kick by Hiroshima's Moh Jung Yoon three minutes into the game.

BCB's course of action

Sports Reporter



With the heat of the International Cricket Council (ICC) Trophy triumph wearing off, the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has chalked up an elaborate programme as part of the national team's preparation for the next World Cup, scheduled to be held in England in 1999.

Although the members of the triumphant national team, who translated a long-cherished dream for a passage to the biggest championship of world cricket by winning the recently-concluded ICC Trophy, are still rejoicing over the unprecedented success, the BCB wasted little time to announce the next course of action as part of our preparation for the ultimate test of limited-over cricket.

In the BCB meeting held yesterday, the game's apex body in the country, drew up a two-year plan leading up to the 12-nation meet that will feature three ICC associate members alongside the nine Test playing nations.

The preparatory arrangement will commence with Bangladesh's participation in the Asia Cup, scheduled to be held in Sri Lanka from July 15-30. The executive committee of the board decided the national camp will resume after the National Cricket Championship. The championship begins from May 1.

The board meeting chaired by its president Saber Hossain Chowdhury MP, has also decided that they will organise a

Recognition at last

Sports Reporter

Jalal Ahmed Chowdhury and Osman Khan, two national cricket coaches who assisted West Indian coach Gordon Greenidge in preparing the Bangladesh National team for the ICC Trophy will finally receive recognition for their efforts as the government is going to award Taka one lakh to each of them last February.

Besides, the board has approved the introduction of a Third Division league from this year. Eleven teams including nine top finishers from the Second Division qualifying phases will vie in the league.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader announced this while talking to a group of journalist from the Bangladesh Krira Shikha Protishthan (BKSP) yesterday.

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