

### Column One

## Boost sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

### competition-69

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes 8 pm, May 16, '97

- Who was adjudged man-of-the-final in the 6th ICC Trophy?
 

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- Who scored two half-centuries for Bangladesh in the 6th ICC Trophy?
 

Akram	Bulbul	Nannu
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- Who was the man-of-the-match in the second semifinal of the 6th ICC tournament?
 

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- How many centuries has Sanath Jayasuriya scored in Test cricket?
 

Two	Three	Four
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- How old was Denis Compton when he died?
 

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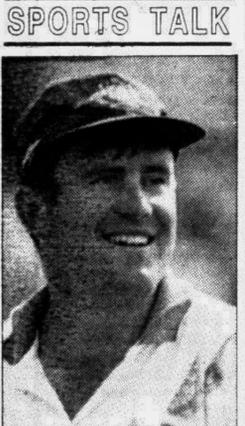
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**EN-VITS**

SPORTS TALK



**Mark Taylor**  
(Australia cricket captain)  
"What matters most is what Mark Taylor thinks what Mark Taylor can do."

While turning down suggestions that he should step down as skipper.

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**winner**  
**Partha Podder**  
Akkelpur FU Pilot High School, Joypurhat.  
(Remember to bring a passport size photograph and your ID card while collecting the winner's prize from the Sports Desk of The Daily Star at 7:30 pm on May 7.)

### WHIZZ KID-68

**correct answers**

- Who won this year's British Open squash title?  
Ans: Jansher
- Who won the Lipton Championship tennis title?  
Ans: Hingis
- Who lifted the international water polo trophy?  
Ans: Army
- Who clinched the national women's chess crown?  
Ans: Nipa
- Which team won the Top Five volleyball title?  
Ans: BDR

### Cheng's dream debut

MANCHESTER, England, May 2: China's bid to become the first nation to successfully defend all seven world table tennis titles continued with the eye-catching progress of a little-known 18-year-old, reports AP.

Cheng Hongtao, China's only player in preliminary-round play in singles Thursday at the World Championships, won two convincing victories over good opponents.

The victories moved Cheng into the first round where she will be the favourite to beat Galina Melnik, a member of Russia's 1994 European Championship winning side.

Cheng, using a back-spin defence and backhand smashes, defeated Natasha Williams of Wales 21-15, 21-7, 21-12.

She used the same style to defeat Peggy Regenwetter, a member of Luxembourg's top category team, 21-6, 21-8, 21-12.

The Hebel teenager now stands a chance of reaching the quarterfinals against her legendary compatriot, Deng Yaping.

Deng, three times the world and twice the Olympic champion, said Wednesday she would retire when younger Chinese players were good enough to replace her.

Cheng's progress could have a bearing on that.

The mixed doubles final is set for Sunday with men's and women's singles and doubles scheduled for Monday.



Action from the Green Delta Insurance First Division league match between Mariner Young's Club and Bangladesh Sporting Club at the National Hockey Stadium yesterday. Mariners won 5-2. —Star photo

## Biman, Dhaka reach semis

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Biman and Dhaka moved into the semifinals of the 23rd national cricket championship after winning their opening matches held in last two days at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

In the other two matches also held on Thursday and Friday at the BKSP ground in Savar, Mymensingh and Dhaka University beat Nilphamari and Noakhali respectively to keep their semifinal hopes alive.

Last year's runners-up Biman recorded a comfortable 55-run victory over Jahangirnagar University in their opening match of the ten-team knockout meet yesterday.

Opting to bat first, Habibul Bashar Sumon hammered a brilliant 63 as the national flag carriers stocked 238 for seven in their share of 50 overs.

Coming to bat at number three, Sumon shared a valuable 81-run third wicket partnership with wicket-keeper batsman Atiar Rahman who scored 42 runs.

National opener Athar Ali and lower middle order Halim Shah were the other notable run getters, both weighed in with 33 runs apiece.

Right-arm pacer Timur of the Jahangirnagar University scalped three for 50 runs while his skipper Mukul Manju and Shuvro chipped in with one wicket each.

Jahangirnagar University, in their chase of a commanding total, were bundled out for 183 in the face of some venomous bowling spell by medium pacer Mofizur Rahman Munna.

The Biman new-ball bowler,

in his 8.3-over spell, captured five wickets conceding 41 runs. He was ably supported by his skipper Ziaur Rashid Rupom and gentle medium pacer Athar Ali, taking three and two wickets respectively.

For Jahangirnagar, opener Sabir scored 51 while Fakrul added 27 runs. Lipu (25) and national middle-order Sanwar Hossain (22) were the other two leading run-getters.

In the three-day semi-final scheduled to start at the same venue, Biman will take on Dhaka who earlier on Thursday eliminated Narayanganj by six wickets.

Chasing a moderate Narayanganj total of 173 in 50 overs, skipper Selim Shahed hammered an unbeaten 75 as Dhaka, a semifinalist last year, cruised home (174) in the 46th over with six wickets in hand.

Coming to bat at number four with Dhaka shakily placed at 24 for two in eighth over, Shahed remained at the crease for more than two and a half hours and faced 111 deliveries to score a magnificent 74 laced with five fours. Shahed apart, one-down Adil Ahmed scored 31 runs.

Earlier, electing to bat first, Narayanganj were all out for 173 in 46.5 overs with Jahangir Alam scoring highest 84 off 141 balls. In his innings spanning more than three hours, Jahangir, who was also a member of ICC champions Bangladesh, hammered two sweetly timed over boundaries and three fours.

At the BKSP ground, Mymensingh registered a two-wicket victory over Nilphamari in their opening match on Thursday.

Chasing a manageable Nil-

## Norman astounds Agassi

ATLANTA, Georgia, May 2: The 328,000 US dollar AT and T Challenge received its final decapitation on Thursday when Andre Agassi was bounced from the tournament by a 20-year-old Swede, reports Reuters.

Magnus Norman, ranked 81 and one of 10 Swedes in the top 100, ousted fourth-seeded Agassi, 7-6 (9-7), 3-6, 6-3 in the second round. Agassi joined top-seeded Michael Chang, second seed Jonas Bjorkman and third seeded Jim Courier on the sidelines, all of whom were eliminated earlier in the week.

Fifth seeded Petr Korda of the Czech Republic survived a three-set struggle with unseeded Johan van Herck of Belgium, winning his second round match 6-4, 1-6, 6-3. Korda will play Norman in the quarterfinals.

Seventh-seeded Jason Stolberg of Australia also advanced with a 6-1, 7-5 victory over Spain's Juan Albert Viloca.

Stoltenberg will play Brazil's Fernando Meligeni in the last eight. Meligeni beat Dennis van Scheepingen of the Netherlands, 6-3, 7-6 (7-1).

Agassi's match with Norman began as a protracted baseline struggle and ended in high drama as Norman appeared to have the match won, then saw it taken away by an umpire's over-ruling.

Norman had missed his first match point at 5-3 in the third set but seemed to win it on the second match point when Agassi hit a forehand deep. But the umpire called the shot good as Norman protested. The Swede struggled to keep cool, fighting off a break point, then winning the match 6-3 on his third match point with a backhand winner on the line.

Agassi was challenged by the Swede from the start and fought



Sergei Petrenko (L) of Russia tries to keep the puck under possession while Czech Victor Ujeck tries to block during their ice hockey World Championship encounter in Helsinki on May 1. —AFP/UNB photo

## Thumping win for Mariners

Sports Reporter

Mariner Young's Club made an impressive start in the Green Delta First Division league with a 5-2 victory over Bangladesh Sporting Club in one of yesterday's two matches scheduled at the National Hockey Stadium.

In the one-sided affair which saw Mariner's leading the first half 3-0, Fazal and Javed struck twice while Blaka Lusai added the other goal. On the other hand, Sabir netted twice for Bangladesh Sporting.

The winners will take on Bachelors' Sporting Club in their next match on May 6.

Earlier in the day's first match, Ajax Sporting Club and Farashganj Sporting Club shared points in a 2-2 draw.

In a see-saw engagement, Shuvo and Shiplu scored one each for Ajax while Farashganj's Waiz and Tajinder Singh, one of their four Indian recruits, struck one apiece.

In their next match, Ajax will meet Police on May 6 while Farashganj will take on Sadharan Bima on May 7.

Independence Cup SL, Pak squads named

COLOMBO, May 2: Sri Lanka recalled a medium-pace bowler for this month's four-nation Independence Cup tournament in India, cricket board officials said Friday, report agencies.

Dulip Liyanage, who last played during a tour to India in 1994 before sustaining an injury, was included in Sri Lanka's 14-member squad, officials said.

Sri Lanka, Pakistan and New Zealand will join host nation to play the tournament which will be held from May 9 to 28.

Sri Lankan squad: Arjuna Ranatunga (captain), Aravinda de Silva (vice-captain), Sanath Jayasuriya, Ramesh Kaluwitharana, Roshan Mahanama, Chaminda Vaas, Muthiah Muralitharan, Marvan Atapattu, Hashan Tillekaratne, Kumara Dharmasena, Ruwan Kalpage, Upul Chandana, Dulip Liyanage and Sanjeeva de Silva.

Pakistan also announced their 14-member squad led by Rameez Raja for the four-nation tournament.

The Pakistanis will leave on Monday.

The team: Rameez Raja (captain), Saeed Anwar (vice-captain), Salim Malik, Inzam-um-Ul-Haq, Ejaz Ahmed, Mohammad Wasim, Hasan Reza, Moin Khan (wicket keeper), Saqlain Mushtaq, Shahid Afridi, Abdul Razzaq, Aaqib Javed, Azher Mehmood and Mohammad Hussain.

In Wellington, rookie fast-medium bowler Shayne O'Connor was called into the New Zealand squad, replacing the injured Simon Doull.

Doull, New Zealand's senior strike bowler, was forced out of the tour by a stress fracture in his back.

O'Connor, 23, join Heath Davis and Andrew Penn in the 14-strong squad as New Zealand's three-pronged fast-medium attack for the tournament, New Zealand Cricket said.

O'Connor, from the southern province of Otago, is a left-arm bowler who has the ability to swing the ball both ways.

New Zealand will play Pakistan next Friday, India on May 14 and world champions Sri Lanka on May 20 in the round robin tournament.

The top two teams will then play a best-of-three finals series.

## India stumble all of a sudden

KINGSTOWN, St Vincent, May 2: Pacesman Ottis Gibson and wicket-keeper Courtney Browne, jeered by the crowd early in the day, inspired West Indies to a dramatic 18-run win in their third one-day international against India on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Gibson, taken out of the West Indies attack after his first two overs cost 18 runs, returned with a vengeance to claim four wickets, breaking the key Indian partnership of Saurav Ganguly (79) and Rahul Dravid (74) in the process.

Browne was involved in three run-outs as India, chasing the West Indies 50-over total of 249 for nine, embarked on a mad rush for runs.

Earlier, Stuart Williams had made 76 for the West Indies, his best score in one-day cricket, and was named man-of-the-match.

India were eventually bowled out for 231 in their 49th over, losing their last seven wickets for just 30 runs as West Indies took a 2-1 lead in the four-match series. The final game will be in Bridgetown, Barbados, on Saturday.

Gibson and Browne, both from Barbados, were jeered by a St Vincent crowd angry at their inclusion but later silenced their critics.

India overcame the early loss of captain Sachin Tendulkar for nine and were cruising to victory as Ganguly and Dravid, both batting sensibly, added 130 runs for the second wicket.

Dravid showed little discomfort from a painful shoulder injury sustained in Sunday's second game in Trinidad as he took a 2-1 lead in the attack hitting Gibson for three fours in his first over.

Gibson's revenge came in the first over of his second spell when Dravid dragged a wide delivery onto his stumps with the score on 157.

Ganguly followed 18 runs later when he was caught at mid-on by Curtly Ambrose when hitting out against Franklyn Rose before Gibson struck again, bowling Ajay Jadhava for nine and getting Mohammad Azharuddin caught by Carl Hooper for 24.

At that stage, India required another 49 runs off 53 balls with five wickets left but when Robin Singh skied a catch to Jimmy Adams with the score on 214 and five overs left, the tourists were clearly wobbling.

Browne brilliantly ran out Anil Kumble for a duck and Gibson accounted for Syed Karim, who made six.

Browne then removed Ajees Kuruwilla and Venkatesh Prasad, both without scoring,

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triggering an invasion of the field by hundreds of spectators. Noel David was not out on eight.

Earlier, West Indies, sent in to bat on a placid pitch, before a capacity bank-holiday crowd of 12,000 made a cautious start.

Williams went on the attack after West Indies scored a mere 11 runs in the first eight overs and lost the wicket of in-form Shivnarine Chanderpaul for five.

Williams, who had six fours

Scoreboard at the third one-day international between West Indies and India on Wednesday:

### WEST INDIES

Chanderpaul lbw Kuruwilla	5
Williams run out	78
Lara b Singh	33
Adams c Dravid b David	9
Hooper c and b Kumble	48
Gibson run out	3
Holder c Karim b Prasad	16
Ambrose b Prasad	13
Browne not out	10
Rose run out	9
Walsh not out	0
Extras (b-4, lb-15, nb-6, w-2) 27	
Total: (for 9 wickets in 50 overs) 249	
Fall of wickets: 1-11; 2-71; 3-86; 4-170; 5-193; 6-197; 7-214; 8-220; 9-248.	

### Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Prasad	10	0	53	2
Kuruwilla	10	2	34	1
Kumble	10	1	46	1
Singh	7	0	46	1
David	10	1	38	1
Tendulkar	3	0	13	0

### INDIA

Tendulkar b Walsh	9
Ganguly c Ambrose b Rose	79
Dravid b Gibson	74
Azharuddin c Hooper b Gibson	24
Jadeja b Gibson	9
Singh c Adams b Ambrose	4
Karim c Lara b Gibson	6
Kumble run out	0
David not out	8
Druavid run out	0
Prasad run out	0
Extras (b-11, nb-4, w-3) 18	
Total all out in (48.2 overs) 231	
Fall of wickets: 1-27; 2-157; 3-185; 4-201; 5-214; 6-217; 7-219; 8-224; 9-230.	

### Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Walsh	9.2	2	26	1
Ambrose	9	1	34	1
Rose	8	0	41	1
Gibson	10	0	61	4
Hooper	8	0	36	0
Adams	4	0	22	0

Result: West Indies won by 18 runs.

Man-of-the-match: Stuart Williams.

Fourth one-day international May 3 in Bridgetown, Barbados.



WILLIAMS ...m-o-m

and a six in his 110-ball innings, and Brian Lara, who hit five fours in a breezy 33 off 38 deliveries, added 60 for the second wicket.

Lara struck medium-pace Robin Singh for three fours in one over but the bowler had his revenge, bowling him off the inside edge.

Adams made just nine but from 86 for three, Williams and Hooper, who stocked a fourth wicket stand of 84 in 16.2 overs.

West Indies lost the wickets of Williams, Hooper, Gibson (3), Roland Holder (16) and Curtly Ambrose (13) in the late chase

## Borg watches Borg's tennis

STOCKHOLM, May 2: Swedish tennis legend Bjorn Borg has returned to the tennis courts in Sweden, not play but to watch his 11-year-old son Robin compete in his first tennis tournament, Swedish daily Dagens Nyheter reported today, says AFP.

Robin Borg, who plays for the Kilt Tennis Club in Stockholm, was closely watched by the Swedish press, eager to see if he had inherited his father's talent.

But Robin, who says he plays his "own game," lost a disappointing 6-1, 6-1 Thursday to 12-year-old Niklas Persson.

"I remember I lost 6-0, 6-0 in my first tournament," Bjorn Borg recalled after the match.

Noting the pressure on Robin, the 40-year-old five-time Wimbledon champion and six-time French Open winner said he preferred to keep a low profile in his son's tennis career.

"I'll gladly help him with his tennis, but I prefer to stay in the background. I think it's better that he has people helping him other than me," he said.

## Dalmiya's term begins in June

LONDON, May 2: India's Jagmohan Dalmiya will take over as the first president of the International Cricket Council (ICC), the world body announced here today, reports PTI.

Dalmiya, secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India, will assume the reins after the ICC's annual conference at Lord's scheduled from June 11 to 16, a release from the ICC chief executive David Richards said.

Making the formal announcement from the ICC headquarters Sir Clyde Walcott, the ICC chairman who will chair the June meeting when his term ends, said Dalmiya would retire as BCCI secretary once he becomes the ICC president.

Sir Clyde Walcott — the former West Indian great who will be the last chairman of ICC as ICC heads from Dalmiya onwards would be president as per the new system adopted — gave details of the process which led to Dalmiya's election as ICC chief.

The ICC member countries have adopted a new system of governance in which full member is elected as the president country. That country in turn nominates the person for the position," the release quoted Sir Clyde Walcott as saying.

India was unanimously elected 'president country' at the ICC special general meeting held at Kuala Lumpur on March 23 during the ICC Trophy and BCCI has since informed that Dalmiya has been chosen to take office for a three-year term.

Accepting the appointment, Dalmiya deemed it a great honour for Indian cricket and for him personally. "To follow a man of the stature of Sir Clyde will not be easy, but I am very encouraged by the unity among member countries and will do all that I can to lift cricket to great heights," it added.

### CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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5 Spade or diamond	Lena	6 "As" — going to	25 Hair salon gunk
8 Paraphernalia	51 Buck's mate	7 Ward heeler	26 Mongrel
12 Neighborhood	52 Nest items	8 Zodiac sign	27 Halloween cry
13 Jima	53 Garden intruder	9 Blue pencil	28 Remnant
14 Writer	54 Pussy-cat	10 Initial chip	29 Scale
15 Battle memento	55 Impetuous	11 Beams	31 Whammy
16 Disaster	1 Sinclair	12 The third man	34 Manhattan or Staten
18 Finches	Judge	13 What I just said is false	35 Conceal
20 Mosquito	Timber-lane	22 Play-ground game	36 Turn right
21 Saucy source	2 Mischievous	23 Twitch	37 Pearl's home?
22 X rating?	3 Bring up	24	38 Prepare to propose
23 Stingy	4 Part of a diocese	25	40 Garbage barge
26 38 or 44	5 Inseparable	26	41 Hardy cabbage
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31 Embrace	33 Measure	28	43 Have more than a hunch
32 Inseparable	34 Merchandise	29	44 It's a long story
33 Thickness	35 Clinton's instrument	30	45 Units of energy
34 Merchandise	36 Crucial	31	46 Entertainment Tonight!
35 Clinton's instrument	37 Dexterity	32	48 It's a long story
36 Crucial	38 Mid-eastern diet?	33	49 Weight of the
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Solution time: 24 mins.

**TODAY'S MATCHES**  
23rd National Cricket Championship:  
(Venue: BKSP)  
Chittagong vs Rajshahi University

Green Delta Insurance First Division Hockey League:  
(Venue: Hockey Stadium)  
Sadharan Bima KS vs B Railway (2:15 pm).  
Mohammedan SC vs Dhaka Ansars (3:45 pm).

### CRYPTOQUIP

H N I J B V Z N X K S F E Q S G U  
H E V Z C E F E K S F E G S V G U  
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Yesterday's Cryptquip: I'D SAY THAT THE DOPEY BAKER'S MARBLE CAKE IS SIMPLY AS HARD AS A ROCK.

Today's Cryptquip clue: K equals M.

The Cryptquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.