


Column One

SPORTS TALK



Shane Warne
(Ace Australian leg-spinner)
"We're here to try and win every game we play and to really nail the England side, because we think they've got half a chance of beating us."
Said as his side kicked off their Ashes tour in England.

Abahani wreck Police

Sports Reporter

Veteran winger Liton scored a hat-trick as title aspirants Abahani Krira Chakra whitewashed Police Athletics Club by nine goals to nil in one of the two Green Delta Insurance First Division league matches scheduled at the National Hockey Stadium yesterday.

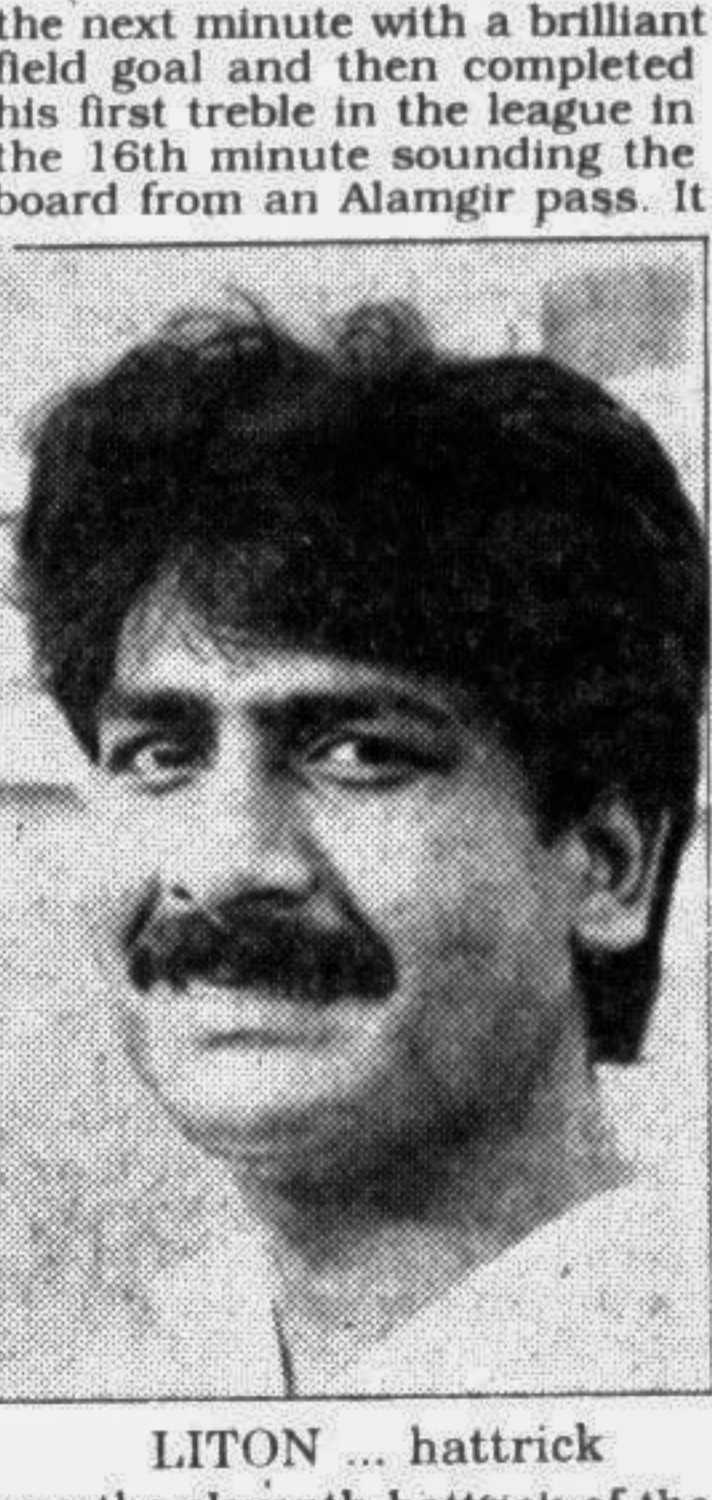
In a match which saw Abahani dominating the entire proceedings, Liton, the America-based former national player, scored three goals in a row while skipper Mamun and forward Alamgir Alam added two goals each to the winners' account. Besides, Rameez and Raju struck one goal apiece for Abahani who led the first session 5-0.

It was the fifth consecutive win for the Dhanmondi outfit with which they raised their tally to 15 points from five matches and joined arch-rivals Mohammedan Sporting Club atop the 16-team standings.

On the other hand, Police had the opposite taste as they suffered their fifth successive defeat yesterday.

In the second match on Saturday afternoon, Abahani, winners in the Karnaphuli Garden City Club Cup tournament last March, were ahead as early as in the very first minute when Raju pushed the ball home capitalising on a penalty corner rebounder. Defender Mamun doubled the margin after three minutes converting another penalty corner, while Liton made it 3-0 in the ninth minute flicking the ball home from a Raju pass from the right side.

Buoyed by the first goal, Liton then scored his second in



LITON ... hat-trick
was the eleventh hat-trick of the league in 36 matches played so far.

Inspired by the huge first half lead, Abahani kept Police under acute pressure in the second session and scored another four goals to record their biggest victory in the league.

Forward Alamgir blasted the board capitalising on a brilliant through sent by Mahbub Haroon from the midfield in the 44th minute while Rameez scored the next goal after four minutes flicking the ball home from a Mamun pass.

In the last ten minutes Abahani continued with their of-

fensive and added two more through Mamun and Alamgir. The Abahani skipper sounded the board through a penalty corner in the 61st minute while Alamgir served another nail on Police's coffin with a magnificent field goal two-minute from time.

TEAMS
ABAHANI KC: Shameem, Rabiuddin, Shipu, Jumman, Tapan, Raju, Khurshid, Alamgir, Lulu, Rameez, Khokon, Liton, Ejaz, Mamun and Haroon.
POLICE AC: Maksud, Nazir, Shahidur, Jahangir, Arjoo, Nazim, Mohammad Ali, Ashutosh, Shamsul, Lutfur, Nasir, Rafique, Gafran, Azam, Bimal and Moshir.
Umpires: U Marma and A Rashid.

WARI WIN
Earlier, in the day's first match, Wari Club registered a marginal 2-1 victory over Bachelor Sporting Club.

After a barren first half, War defender Shamimul struck twice while Fayaz reduced the margin for Bachelors.

Bachelors' Latif and Masud were sent off for their two bookable offences.

The win raised Wari's tally to 10 points from five matches. On the other hand, Bachelors, who suffered their fifth defeat in a row, are yet to open their account.

The league will observe a break today on the occasion of Holy Ashura and will resume tomorrow with two matches. In the first match, Usha Krira Chakra will take on Bangladesh Railway while Sonali Bank meet Dhaka Ansars in the next.



An unidentified Police defender clears the ball from Abahani Krira Chakra forward Rameez during yesterday's Green Delta First Division league match at the National Hockey Stadium. Abahani won the match 9-0. — Star photo

Boost sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-70

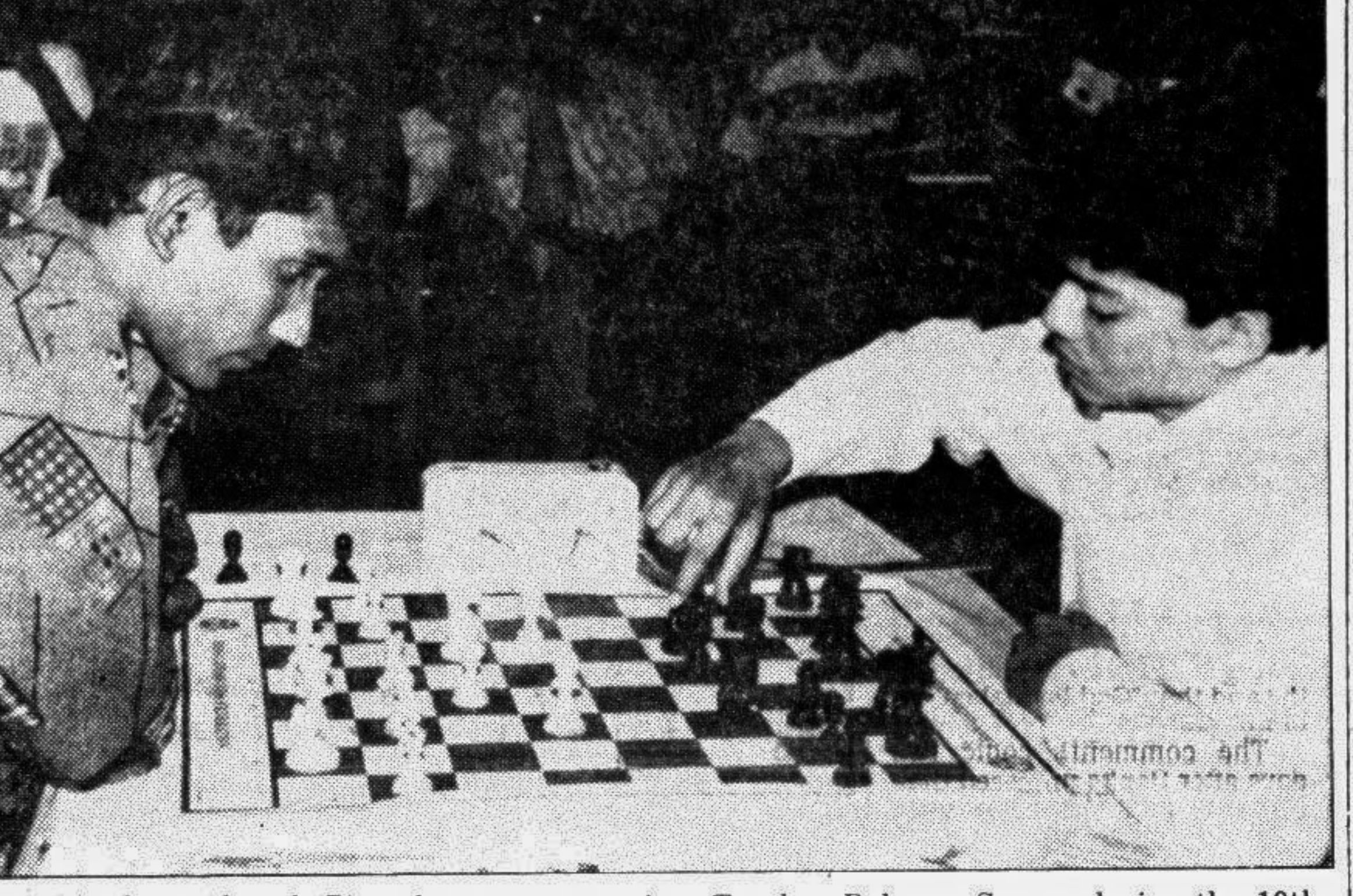
✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes 8 pm, May 30, '97

- How many one-day centuries has Sachin Tendulkar scored so far?
10 12 14
- How many one-day matches did Saqlain Mushtaq play to capture his 100th wicket?
50 52 59
- Who won the Italian Open ladies' tennis title?
Martinez Pierce Sanchez
- Who scored the first hat-trick in this year's Premier Division hockey league?
Bhaka Kamal Roni
- Who clinched the national cricket championship title this year?
DU Chittagong Biman

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POWERED WITH
EN-VITS
ENERGY RELEASING VITAMINS



Sheikh Nasir Ahmed (R) makes a move against Tayebur Rahman Sumon during the 10th round of the 23rd national chess championship yesterday at the NSC. — Star photo

5 Boca fans jailed

BUENOS AIRES, May 17: An Argentine judge on Friday jailed five soccer hooligans, all fans of Boca Juniors, for up to 20 years for the murder of two fans of rival Buenos Aires side River Plate in 1994, reports Reuters.

Moni honoured

COMILLA, May 17: Comilla Pourashava today accorded a reception to Enamul Huq Moni, a player of the ICC Trophy holder Bangladesh cricket team, reports BSS.

Held at the local town hall, Moni was presented with a golden key of Comilla Pourashava.

Rajib run continues

Sports Reporter

Enamul Hossain Rajib continued with his impressive winning run in the 23rd national chess championship when he defeated Amir Hossain in the tenth round at the NSC chess room yesterday.

Playing with white pieces, Rajib, the former national sub-junior champion, adopted made a Giacco Piano (Italian) opening and checkmated Amir in his 24th move for his eighth victory in the meet.

With yesterday's win, Rajib raised his account to 8.5 points and remained atop the 16-player table with a one and a half point lead over Abdullah al-Rakib who has seven points on completion of the tenth round.

In yesterday's round, Rakib shared the point with Khandker Kayes Hasan as their match ended in a draw.

In the day's other matches, Tayebur Rahman Sumon defeated Sheikh Nasir Ahmed, Ali Amjad Mintu edged past Saidul Islam Masum, Saifuddin Lovlu beat Arifuzzaman Sikder while Syed Ruhul Kabir Shiplu tamed Abu Sufian Shakil.

The other two matches — FIDE Master Rezaul Haque against Din Mohammad Swapan and Showkat Hossain Palab against Mohammad Javed — were going on till out filing of this report last night.

There will be no matches today due to the government holiday and the eleventh round will begin at the same venue tomorrow at 2 pm.

Standings (after tenth round): 8.5 points — Rajib; 7 points — Rakib; 6.5 points — Sumon, Mintu; 6 points — Lovlu, Shakil, Shiplu, Reza (9 matches); 4.5 points — Masum; 3.5 points — Nasir; 3 points — Arif, Pallab (9 matches); 2 points — Amir; 1.5 points — Javed and 1 point — Swapan.

Tomorrow's matches: Nasir vs Lovlu, Shiplu vs Sumon, Palab vs Shakil, Swapan vs Javed, Mintu vs Reza, Kayes vs Masum, Amir vs Rakib and Rajib vs Arif.

Prize giving ceremony

Sports Reporter

The first prize-giving ceremony of Dhaka Billiard Centre a private billiard club, was held at its complex in Gulshan the city on Friday night.

Deputy Minister for Water Transport Dharendra Devnath Shamvu attended the occasion as the chief guest while Saber Hossain Chowdhury MP, the president of the Bangladesh Cricket Board and Ajimuddin Ahmed the president of the Bangladesh Billiard and Snooker Federation were also present.

The following received prizes in different categories:

Snooker (singles):
Champion: Arif Iftikhar Ali.
Runners-up: Rajib H Chowdhury.

Snooker (doubles):
Champions: Sohail Asif and Saidul Karim.
Runners-up: MM Rana and Kamal Ahsan.

Pool (singles):
Champion: Sohail Asif.
Runners-up: Saadi M Abdul-lah.

Pool (doubles):
Champions: Arif Iftikhar Ali and Sarwar Hossain.
Runners-up: Dr Ehsan Siddique and Arif Iqbal.



Arif Iftikhar Ali, who won the snooker single title in the Dhaka Billiard Centre snooker championship, receiving the trophy from Deputy Minister for Water Transport Dharendra Devnath Shamvu on Friday. — Star photo

BFF seeks PM's intervention

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Football Federation, in a bid to end the existing stalemate in the local football arena, has sought the intervention of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday.

With the fate of the most exciting Dhaka football league looked bleak following a row over the possession of the Dhaka Stadium, a delegation of BFF, led by its general secretary Harun-ur-Rashid, MP, in a desperate attempt to solve the problem met the head of the government at her secretariat last evening.

The half-an-hour long meeting with the Prime Minister turned out to be a successful one, said a press release issued by the BFF last night. "We have requested the Prime Minister to give us a guideline for a practical solution regarding the playing ground so that we can start the Metropolitan football league."

"The Prime Minister gave us a patient hearing and assured all possible cooperation for the commencement of the football season as soon as possible," said the press release.

Galatasaray Turk champs

ISTANBUL, May 17: Galatasaray, became Turkish league champions on Friday when their Istanbul arch-rivals Fenerbahce were beaten 4-1 by lowly, Genclerbirliigi, reports Reuter.

The result left Galatasaray, who have led the league since October, out of reach with a game in hand.

Defending champions Fenerbahce had needed maximum points from their final two games of the season to have a hope of staying in the race with Galatasaray.

"For the first time in my life I felt ashamed of the football played by Fenerbahce," said Fenerbahce chairman Ali Sen after the defeat by 12th-placed Genclerbirliigi.

Fenerbahce slipped to third place, one point behind their other Istanbul rivals Besiktas who beat Antalyaspor 4-0 on Friday.

With two Turkish clubs due to play in the European champions league next year, final games next Sunday will decide between Fenerbahce and Besiktas for the second place.

Klinsmann going to Sampdoria

BONN, May 17: Juergen Klinsmann has decided to join Sampdoria at the end of the season because he believes the Italian club will provide a boost to both his scoring talents and his private life after a difficult time at Bayern Munich, reports Reuter.

Asked on Friday why he had decided to return to Italy where he used to play for Internazionale, Klinsmann said: "Sampdoria are the most attacking team in Italy. They have scored more goals than any other Italian side in the league."

"And it's a family decision too. We like the country. It is only an hour-and-a-quarter drive from Milan," added the German captain who also had offers from clubs in England and Spain.

The 32-year-old striker's move from Bayern was announced formally by the northwestern Serie A club on Friday in a short statement that implied a one-year contract.

Klinsmann, who recently became a father for the first time, has been unhappy at Bayern for some time because of the defensive tactics of Italian coach Giovanni Trapattoni. He also feels he has been treated badly at the club.

Monaco on shopping

PARIS, May 17: French champions Monaco, already close to signing Nantes playmaker Japhet N'Doram, are chasing Yugoslav defender Slavisa Jokanovic and South African-born striker Sean Dundee, reports AFP.

Playing a 'beautiful game'

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 17 (AP): For Brazilian soccer fans, winning isn't everything — it must be art, too.

So the satisfaction with the national team should be a warning to opponents.

"We're the best in the world right now, and at the World Cup we'll be at an even higher level," said Flamengo striker Romario, who has returned to the team with a flourish.

Leonardo, who helped Paris Saint Germain reach the European Cup Winners' Cup final earlier this week, says the Brazilian team could win "Every title there is" — and still not come close to reaching its potential.

For coach Mario Zagallo, his team's recent play is "the soccer of dreams."

With the 1998 World Cup in France still a year away, defending champions Brazil again look like the team to beat. "Have no doubts," an inspired Zagallo said recently. "In '98, the Eiffel Tower, in all its beauty, will illuminate Brazil's fifth World Championship."

The numbers back him up. Brazil have been No 1 in the monthly FIFA rankings since 1994, when they beat Italy in the final at the Rose Bowl to win an unprecedented fourth title.

On the field, Brazil have been overwhelming. The latest victim was Mexico, bombed 4-0 on April 30 in Miami. Before that it was Chile on April 2, another 4-0 rout, and on Feb 26 Brazil thrashed Poland 4-2, a match that became showtime in the second half.

But numbers alone don't tell the story. The team has rediscovered "art soccer," the joyful, samba-rhythm style that fans complained was missing on Carlos Alberto Parreira's workmanlike '94 squad. For Zagallo, it's "the soccer that everyone imagined."

The true test will come next month. Brazil face Germany, England and France in an invitational tournament in Paris, a World Cup test event, then races back for the Copa America in Bolivia.

The tournaments take the place of the World Cup qualifying rounds that Brazil, as defending champions, are not required to play. For Zagallo, they are a crucible for his renewed and revamped team.

Not surprisingly, the Brazilians are strongest on the attack.

The frontline is a blockbuster: Ronaldo and Romario, the FIFA players-of-the-year in 1996 and 1994. But while there are no questions about Ronaldo, the 20-year-old phenomenon from Barcelona, Romario's return was a surprise.

After winning MVP honours at the 1994 Cup, Romario begged off the national team, claiming he wanted a rest. Hampered by injuries and off-field problems, including a messy divorce from

his wife Monica Santoro, Romario played poorly and was widely written off as a has-been.

But a second marriage worked wonders, and a newly healthy Romario earned a last chance on the team against Poland. In a new role, passing more and setting up plays, Romario played brilliantly and earned the berth.

"I'm a better player than I was in '94," he said. "I was in better physical shape then — I had more strength, more explosion — but today I am superior technically."



MARIO ZAGALLO

The midfield, considered the weak link on the 1994 Cup team, was strengthened with youngsters from a talented new generation.

Leonardo, who gained notoriety for an elbow that cracked the skull of US midfielder Tab Ramos during a second-round World Cup match in 1994, is likely to start alongside Ronaldo's Barcelona teammate Gio-

vanni. Waiting in the wings is Djalminha, a visionary playmaker from Palmeiras who beat out Middlesbrough's Juninho for a berth.

World Cup veterans Mauro Silva, and Dunga round out the midfield.

Dunga, who returns as the team's likely captain, is more than a talented destroyer and long-distance threat. It was his leadership that was missing at the 1996 summer Olympics, when Brazil finished third and was so ashamed that the players skipped the medals ceremony and took the first flight home.

Zagallo's worry is the aging defence. With few standouts in the new generation, he is relying on veterans and hoping they bear up until the World Cup.

Cafu has replaced Jorgeinho on the right wing, while Roberto Carlos of Real Madrid is the starter on the left side. Anchoring the middle is '94 Cup veteran Aldair of Roma, and five defenders are competing for the other spot.

In goal, World Cup hero Claudio Taffarel is back, after several younger netminders failed to impress Zagallo.

Is Zagallo worried that the team could peak too soon? It's a moot question for Brazil. Winning is mandatory, and no excuses are acceptable.

"The players go straight from the airport to the field and win," he said. "The important thing is we're always winning."

And Zagallo knows about winning. He is the only person with four World Cup titles — as a player in 1958 and 1962, coach in 1970 and coordinator in 1994. And he'll do anything to win — even if it's not art.

"I don't want to play pretty and lose," he said. "I want to play ugly and win."

In Brazil, though, that's not good enough.

বাংলাদেশ জাতীয় যাদুঘর

শাহাবাগ, ঢাকা-১০০০

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গৌরবময় এতিহাসের সংগে পরিচিত হোন

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer (R&H)
Road Division, Madaripur

Tender Invitation Notice

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are invited.

- Tender Notice No.: 61/EE/RD/1996-97.
- Name of work: Construction work of flexible pavement at the 5th km (Part) (near Bhojshwar Bazar) of Naria Road under Madaripur Road Division during 1996-97 financial year. Head of Expenditure: 266 Development.
- Estimated cost: Tk 9,50,515/-
- Earnest money: Tk 19,010/-
- Time limit for completion of work: 30 (thirty) days from the date of work order.
- Eligibility of contractor: (R&H) Directorate's 'A' to 'C' general class contractors, Faridpur Road Circle's 'D' general class contractors.
- Offices where tender document will be available: Executive Engineer (R&H), Road Division, Madaripur/Faridpur/Gopalganj/Planning Division, Barisal/Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Road Sub-Division, Madaripur/ Shariatpur/ Vanga/Assistant Engineer (R&H), 1st Row Workshop Sub-Division, Madaripur.
- Offices where tender will be received: Additional Chief Engineer (R&H), Barisal Zone, Barisal/Superintending Engineer (R&H), Road Circle, Faridpur/Superintending Engineer (R&H), Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (Planning & Development), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Executive Engineer (R&H), Road Division, Madaripur.
- Last date of selling tender document: 24.5.97/10.2.1404 BS up to office hours.
- Last date & time of receiving tender: 25.5.97/11.2.1404 BS up to 12:30 PM and will be opened from the tender box in sealed condition at 12:45 PM. On 28.5.97/14.2.1404 BS at 10:00 AM at the office chamber of the Executive Engineer (R&H), Road Division, Madaripur.
- Date & time of opening tender: 29.5.97/15.2.1404 BS at 11:00 AM.
- Date & time of lottery (if needed): 29.5.97/15.2.1404 BS at 11:00 AM.

N.B: All the tender receiving authorities concerned are requested to send the tender/tenders received in sealed condition to the office of the undersigned.

Md Abdus Sattar
Executive Engineer (R&H)
Road Division, Madaripur

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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Infants
6 Peregrinate
9 Chatter away
12 Giraffe's cousin
13 It strikes some people
14 Call a day
15 Harness race horse
16 Pile of unfinished work
18 With acuity
20 Between jobs
21 Shade of blonde
24 Without any omissions
25 Churlish sort
27 Ecdysis's move
29 Orator
31 Parlorizing
35 "Psycho" setting
37 Token, maybe

DOWN
1 Jazz style
2 Wanted poster abbr.
3 Excavating machine
4 Fencing prop
5 Begat
6 Ibsen
7 Vacationing for Brutus?
8 Calendar abbr.
9 Pita
10 Hayworth movie
10 Bikini, for one
11 "Doughnut dipped in
17 Somewhat bigwig
19 Most people spend it all in one place
21 Tummy muscles
22 Bribe
24 B&B
26 Expression
28 Muhammadanism
30 Coquettish
32 Prosperous area of Boston
33 A couple of cups
34 Archery-bow material
36 Authorize
38 Monastery
39 Furlough
40 Making all the stops
42 Comic strip Viking
45 Quarrelers' skirmish
46 Big story?
48 Old Ode
50 Big story?
51 Here, appropriately

Solution time: 26 mins.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER
1. JET
2. ARA
3. MILK
4. APEX
5. PIX
6. AHEAD
7. MIST
8. POS
9. REND
10. SCHOO
11. ELIGIBLES
12. RIVE
13. EAR
14. GOVT
15. PITCHERS
16. IRA
17. IDI
18. AHA
19. NICKWEAR
20. SMOG
21. PLIE
22. WIGGLER
23. ONCE
24. MORE
25. AWL
26. LEAD
27. IN
28. BRAVO
29. BULLRING
30. EMITTED
31. BEAMS
32. YAHZEEZ
33. ITEM
34. WITHOUT
35. ANY
36. OMISSIONS
37. CHURLISH
38. SORT
39. ECDYSIS
40. MOVE
41. ORATOR
42. PARLORIZING
43. "PSYCHO"
44. SETTING
45. TOKEN
46. MAYBE

CRYPTOQUIP

G T D L K C H S Q I Q I H D B
D B G T K C H Q C G H S Q I W Q C J D E
G Q J D L D G P W P K V
I H D E D V

Yesterday's Cryptquip: IT'S TRUE THAT EDISON ONCE DESCRIBED THE LIGHT BULB AS A BRIGHT IDEA.

Today's Cryptquip clue: I equals L. 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.