

## Column One

## Boost sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

## Competition-71

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes 8 pm,

June 13, '97

1 Who lifted the

Independence Cup cricket

title?

Pakistan Sri Lanka India

2 Who won the European Cup

football title?

Borussia Bayern Juventus

3 How many fours did Saeed

Anwar clout in his record

one-day innings of 194?

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4 Who was adjudged man-of-the-series in the

Independence Cup?

De Silva Jayasuriya Aaqib

5 Who became champion in the

23rd national chess

tourney?

Raibol Lovlu Rajib

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SPORTS TALK

## England 449 for six

Sports Reporter

England were 449 for six when rain interrupted play on the second day of the Edgbaston Test, according to BBC monitored in Dhaka last night.

AFP adds: At lunch England, replying to Australia's first innings total of 118, were 335 for three.

## SCOREBOARD

AUSTRALIA: First innings 118 (Warne 47; Caddick 5/50)

ENGLAND: First innings (overnight 200/3)

Butcher c Healy b McGrath 2

Atherton c Healy b McGrath 18

Stewart c Elliott b Gillespie 158

N Hussain not out 135

G Thorpe not out 135

Extras: (b-4, lb-3, nb-6) 14

Total: (3 wkts in 89 overs) 335

To bat: J. Crawley, M. Ealham, R. Croft, D. Gough, A. Caddick, D. Malcolm.

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McGrath 24 5 90 1

Kasprowicz 18 4 49 1

Gillespie 10 1 48 1

Warne 24 5 81 0

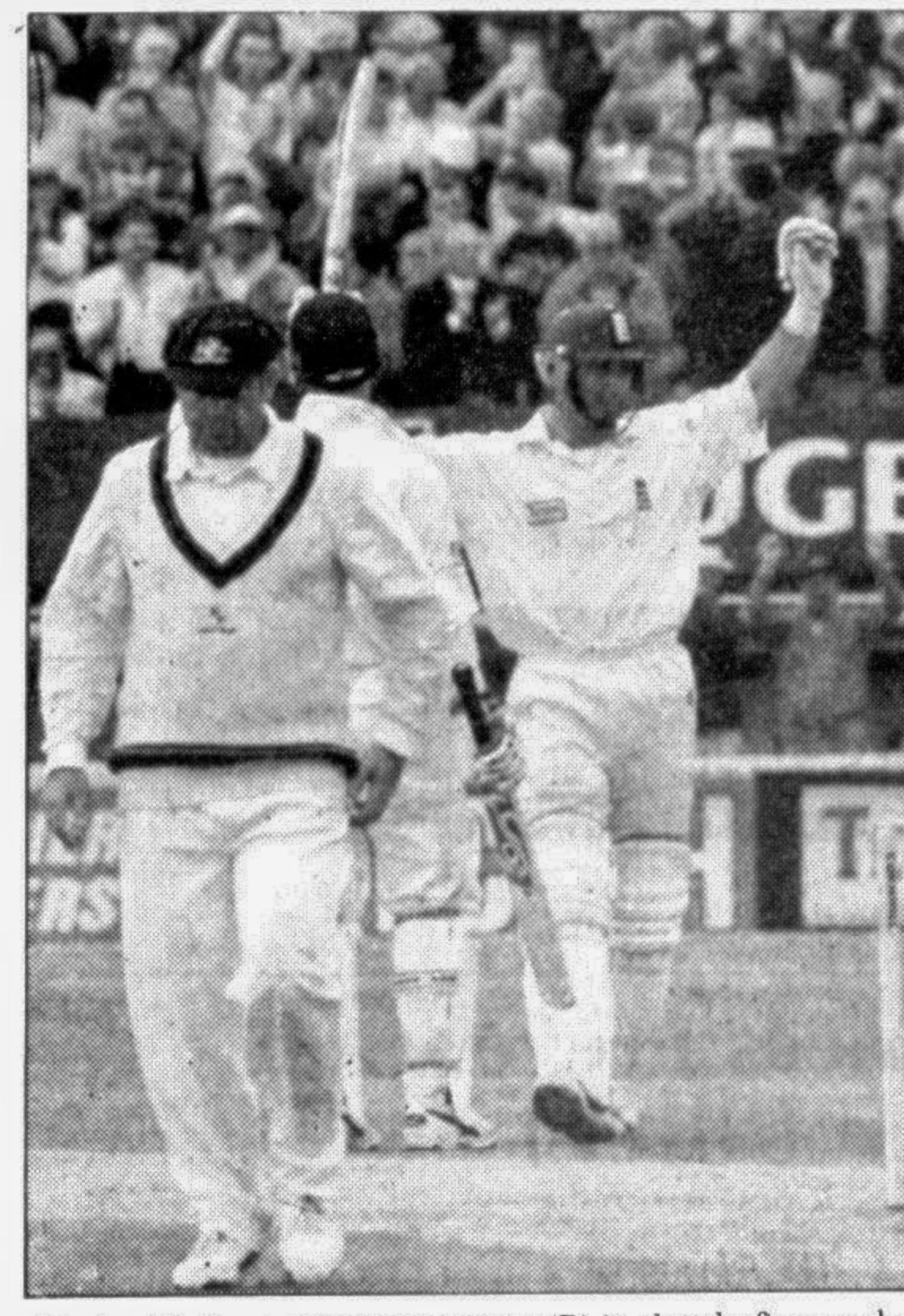
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Cricketers get

## health cards

Health and Family Welfare Minister Salahuddin Yusuf distributed health cards among the players of the Bangladesh cricket team yesterday, reports UNB.



England batsman Nasser Hussein (R) is elated after reaching three figures against Australia during the second day's play of the Edgbaston Test yesterday.

— AFP/UNB photo

## Trip down memory lane



MOHALI, India, June 6 (Reuters):

From maharajas to magnates, Indian cricket has reflected the temper of the times.

The Indian legacy to the game invented in the English village green was celebrated by an exhibition in the northern Indian state of Punjab during the recent Independence Cup.

The exhibition, in the Punjab Cricket Association's stadium and opened by Sir Garfield Sobers, formed the outline of a planned museum and a cricket library.

It showed replicas of the cricket bat through the ages and displayed the evolution of cricketing clothes from the frilly tops and multi-coloured blazers of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) to more sober later-day versions.

Alongside was a portrait of Kumar Shri Ranjitsinhji resplendent in a flowing robe and a turban.

Ranji, a maharaja from ancient Rajput stock, played Test cricket for England in the late 19th century, bringing a touch of Eastern magic to the playing fields of England.

Maharajas were major patrons of cricket in India during colonial rule that ended in 1947.

Five young architects who

put together the exhibition drew heavily from the palace archives of the maharaja of Patiala, Bhupinder Singh, who hosted many visiting English teams during the British Raj and built the game's highest ground some 1,800 metres above sea level in the Himalayan town of Chail.

On display at the show were photographs of MCC players in hunting gear, dating back to the times when visiting cricketers unwound on "shikar" (hunting) expeditions with the local rajahs.

There is also the interesting, if possibly apocryphal anecdote involving England's Maurice Tate and the maharaja of Patiala during a match at Lahore between the MCC and Patials.

Apparently the maharaja was caught at slip but Tate chose not to appeal.

When asked why by team-mate R. E. S. Wyatt, Tate replied "don't be a fool we'll be staying at the chap's palace later on. I don't want to be poisoned."

The exhibition's scrap-book of cricket reports had one titled "India's lessons for young England's from H. J. Henley, cricket correspondent for The Daily Mail in 1932.

Among the things shown by the Indians that young England might emulate was the quickness with which they went to the wicket," Henley wrote.

Colonial cricket also had its

moments of tension. Bombay's pentangular series between Hindus, Muslims, Christians, Parsees and Europeans was stopped because independence leader Mahatma Gandhi, felt it accentuated India's social divisions.

A silver bat at the exhibition stood as a witness to the age of the maharajas and emphasised how far the game has come since the days of the princes.

Today's Indian cricketing heroes such as captain Sachin Tendulkar come from more humble stock, and sponsorship is from private companies, not feudal rulers.

Punjab Cricket Association executive Sanjiv Sinha said he expected to put all available information on the Internet, to enable access to fans all over the world.

Later this month, India's Jagmohan Dalmiya is scheduled to take over as the new chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC), the first man from the subcontinent to hold the post.

Last year, Dalmiya turned the World Cup hosted jointly by India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka into a 100-million business event, largely helped by television advertisements.

The construction magnate's plans include a global boost to the game with slick marketing and new rules.

way he got the ball to dip and swerve," said Scotland's Peter Lorimer, a hero for Leeds with his searing drives and free-kicks in the 1960s and 1970s.

Others found the shot worthy of computer analysis and graphics.

Britain's Independent Sports Network produced a computer breakdown of the shot, measuring its runup at 8.9 yards, from inside the middle circle and estimating the speed at 39.3 miles an hour.

"The flight of the ball almost left a vapor trail," said an ISN official.

On top of that, Carlos claimed he had done it all before, against Roma when he was still playing for Inter Milan.

"A UFO," signed Roberto Carlos, marvelled L'EQUIPE, France's sports daily.

"A goal that came from another world," said French coach Aime Jacquet, adding the 20th minute free-kick suddenly left his team breathless against the World Champions.

But the 24-year-old Real Madrid defender took it all in his stride. Mobbed from all sides after the match, he clinically dissected the shot in a useless attempt to strip it of its magic.

"I just could see the goalpost behind the wall, so I knew I could curl it," he said.

The Real Madrid defender struck the free-kick with the outside of his left foot and at first it seemed to destined for the stands. But once past the wall, the ball took on a will of its own, changed course and curled back inside.

Considering the pace on the ball, it was extraordinary.

Before goalie Fabien Barthez could as much as look at the ball's flight of fancy, it was in the back of the net.

"He could not react because there was just too much power on the ball," said Carlos.

"I didn't set my wall well,

and once the shot was fired,

there was nothing I could do," said Barthez.

Outside observers could only agree.

You had to marvel at the

Packer cause

of discontent

SYDNEY, June 6: Media magnate Kerry Packer has outraged Australian cricket fans including Prime Minister John Howard by refusing to let them to see the first session of each day's play in the Ashes Test series from England, reports AFP.

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Power Development Board, Pirojpur.

## Sport

## Green Delta hockey

## Rain stops Usha, Sonali tie

Sports Reporter

An hour long downpour in the afternoon washed out yesterday's important Green Delta First Division hockey league encounter between Usha Krira Chakra and Sonali Bank at the National Hockey Stadium.

After the day's first match, both teams appeared on the ground, but the rain came all of a sudden and when stopped at 5.30 pm both the foreign umpires — Masood-ur-Rahman from Pakistan and Paramjeet Singh of India — called the game off citing insufficient light.

Earlier in the first match, Bachelor Sporting Club recorded their maiden victory in the league when they defeated Police Athletics Club 4-1.

The winners led the first half 3-0.

Sayeed Latif struck twice for the old Dhaka outfit while Zesam and Faizay added one each to the winners' credit. On the other hand, Nazir pulled one back for the losers.

The win raised Bachelors' tally to four points from nine matches while Police maintained their losing streak in same number of matches yesterday and remained at the bottom of the 16-team table empty handed.

It was unfortunate for the holiday crowd, Usha's new Indian recruit Anil Aldrin, the tall right wing back better known as a penalty corner specialist, arrived in the city on Thursday and completed his registration the same night. The match will now be held at the same place this afternoon at 3:30 and the remaining fixture of the league will be shifted bodily.

## Barisal cricket

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, June 6: Hosts Barisal clinched the inter-district cricket championship title

of Barisal Division defeating Pirojpur by 86 runs in the final at the local stadium here today.

Electing to bat, Barisal piled up a huge 221 for five in the stipulated 40 overs with Tutan hammering highest 55. Moin following him with a sedate 52.

In reply, Pirojpur were bundled out for 135 in 38 overs with Jahangir collecting highest 35.

Barisal's Moin, who captured one wicket in the second session, was adjudged as the man-of-the-match.

Yahia Mollah, the Divisional Commissioner of Barisal witnessed the final and distributed prizes.

Motijheel T&amp;T Club and Sunrise Sporting Club shared points in the Third Division football league with a 1-1 draw in one of the two matches billed at the Army Stadium yesterday.

Sharafat put Sunrise ahead in the fifth minute before Iqbal equalised for T&amp;T Club in the 43rd minute.

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## Div III soccer

## T&amp;T, Sunrise split points

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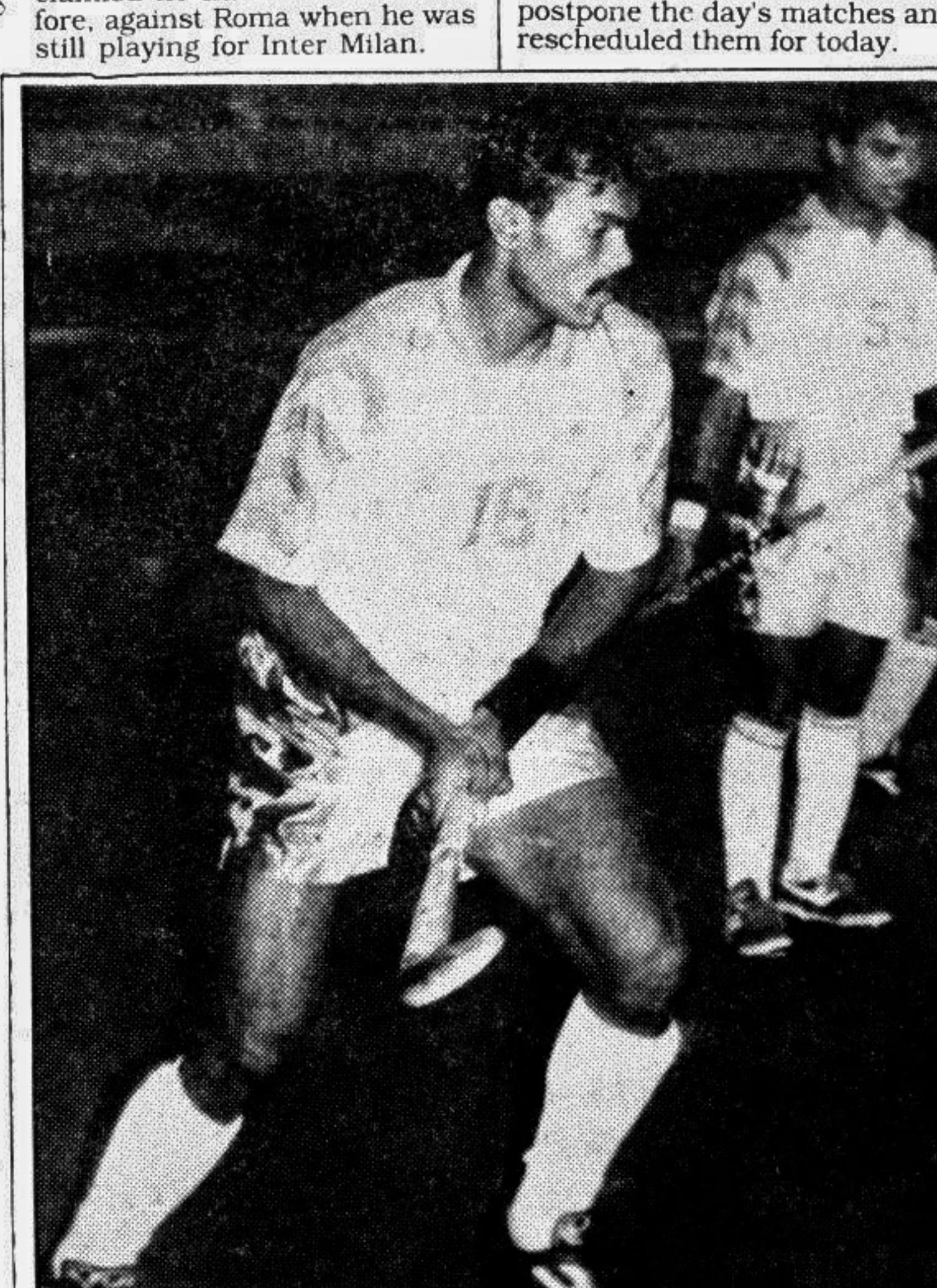
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## Cute h'ball

Sports Reporter

Bengaluru Ansars were leading 8-6 against Manjus Krira Chakra when rain stopped yesterday's first Cute Premier handball league match after only 14 minutes of play.

Later organisers Bengaluru Handball Federation decided to postpone the day's matches and rescheduled them for today.



Usha Krira Chakra's new Indian recruit Anil Aldrin (No. 16), makes light work with the ball and stick after the postponement of yesterday's second Green Delta First Division league match against Sonali Bank at the National Hockey Stadium. The match has been rescheduled at the same venue this afternoon.

— Star photo

## Rain keeps Kipketer at bay

ROME, June 6: Kenyan-born Dame Wilson Kipketer raced through torrential rain to set the fastest men's outdoor 800 metres time of the year at the golden gala Grand Prix on Thursday.

Kipketer, in his first real 800 metres test since he shattered the indoor record at the World Championships in Paris in March, clocked one minute 43.54 seconds on the Olympic stadium's soaked and glistening track.

Cuba's Norberto Tellez was second in 1:44.35 while Italian Andrea Longo was third in 1:44.40.

The year's previous best outdoor time of 1:44.4 was set by Kenya's Vincent Malakau in Nairobi last month.

Kipketer, the world champion who was not allowed to run for his adopted country Denmark at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, has the indoor record of 1:42.67.

The steady rain made any attempt on Briton Sebastian Coe's 16-year-old world record of 1:41.73 out of the question but Kipketer's time in the adverse conditions at least gave the small crowd who braved the elements something to cheer about.

"It was wet," said an unforthcoming and soaked Kipketer in an immediate statement of the obvious.

He would not comment on his chances of breaking the 800 metres at the August World Championships in Athens.

Moroccan Hicham el-Guerrouj also made the most of the circumstances with the third fastest 1,500 metres time of the year, crossing the line in 3:30.59 but well off his own season's best of 3:29.51 set the seventh.

British Linford Christie won his 100 metres sprint heat on a photo-finish but otherwise slow