

## Sport

Betts burst  
sinks Kent

LONDON, June 21: Durham pace bowler, Melvyn Betts took five for five in six overs against Kent on Friday to put his side on course for their first county championships win in 24 matches, reports Reuter.

On a rain-sodden day little play was possible in most county games. Betts' career-best figures of seven for 29 saw the championships leaders slump from 138 for four overnight to 167 all out in their first innings at Darlington.

But Betts, 22, had to share some of the limelight with Kent seamer Matthew Fleming who took four for 34 to add to his first innings tally of five for 55. Durham ended the third day with a lead of 267.

Mates promise  
Christie a  
farewell gift

MUNICH, Germany, June 21: The British men's team spearheaded by veterans Roger Black and Clon Jackson hopes to give captain Ian Christie a winning send off here this weekend in the European Cup final for the Bruno Zauli Trophy, reports AFP.

The British, who broke the stranglehold of the former East German democratic republic and Russia to become the first team apart from those two to take the title in 1989, have finished runners-up on the last five occasions — four of those to this year's hosts Germany.

The 37-year-old Christie, the former world and Olympic 100 metres champion, has said that this really is his last hurrah in the British vest which he has carried to seven successive 100 metres triumphs in the European Cup, four 200 metres titles and three relays.

Christie, who announced his premature retirement twice last year, will lead from the front this weekend in the 100m and 200m but has declined to run in the relay — the event he has failed in twice dropping the baton.

He can expect whole hearted support from his fellow veterans Black, in the 400 metres, and the 110 metres hurdles world record holder Jackson — though both were contentious choices for the team.

The 31-year-old Black, slated to take over the captaincy after Christie's retirement, is being pursued by a whole pack of young and promising 400-metre runners including world indoor silver medalist Jamie Baulch while Jackson, 30, was fortunate to get the nod ahead of perennial rival Tony Jarrett who has been in good form on the Grand Prix circuit.

The greatest problem confronting British athletics is where the next generation of Christie's and Jackson's is coming from.

Grant wins  
IBC belt

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, June 21: Michael Grant remained unbeaten with a victory over Al Cole before 1,412 fans at Bally's Park Place Casino on Friday night, reports AP.

Grant improved to 25-0 with 17 knockouts when referee Eddie Cotton stopped the fight after 10 rounds of the scheduled 12-round bout. The victory gave the 24-year-old Grant the International Boxing Council title.

The defeat dropped Cole to 28-3. It was the second loss in the Spring Valley, New York, resident's last three fights.

Grant, who fights out of Norristown, Pennsylvania, used his 87-inch (2.21 metres) reach to consistently land his left jab. He also stunned Cole with several overhand rights.

## TODAY'S MATCHES

**Green Delta First Division Hockey League**  
(Venue: Hockey Stadium)  
Farashganj SC vs Victoria SC (2:15 pm).

**Mariner Youngs Club vs Sadharan Bima KS** (4:15 pm).  
**Office Cricket League**  
Mannan Group vs Bangladesh Police (DCS).

## Glenn grinds hosts down



LONDON, June 21: Glenn McGrath, re-living the sun on his back for the first time in the rain-affected second Test between Australia and England, took a record eight for 38 today as England tumbled to 77 all out in their first innings, their lowest score at Lord's this century, reports Reuter.

The Australian fast bowler, who took all three wickets to fall in Friday's second day, bowled unchanged from the pavilion end throughout a morning's play interrupted by 15 minutes for rain.

His figures were a record for England versus Australia Tests, bettering the eight for 43 recorded by England left-arm spinner Hedley Verity in 1934 and Bob Massie's eight for 53 for Australia in 1972.

Only 90 minutes play had been possible on Friday after Thursday's washout and further rain had been forecast for today.

In the event, only a quarter of an hour was lost and the black clouds soon rolled away and the sun broke through.

McGrath, who had not previously taken five wickets in an innings against England, bowled with pace, venom and an immaculate off-stump line when England resumed at 38 for three.

After Paul Reiffel had dismissed Graham Thorpe caught at short-leg for 21, McGrath swept through the England middle-order.

John Crawley, prodding uncertainly forward, was caught behind for one, Nasser Hussain fell lbw for an obdurate 19 to the first ball after the rain break and Robert Croft was also caught by wicketkeeper Ian Healy for two.

Darren Gough crashed McGrath for consecutive fours through the off-side but was then caught for 10 while Mark Ealham (7) pushed a tame catch to Matthew Elliott at mid-on off Reiffel.

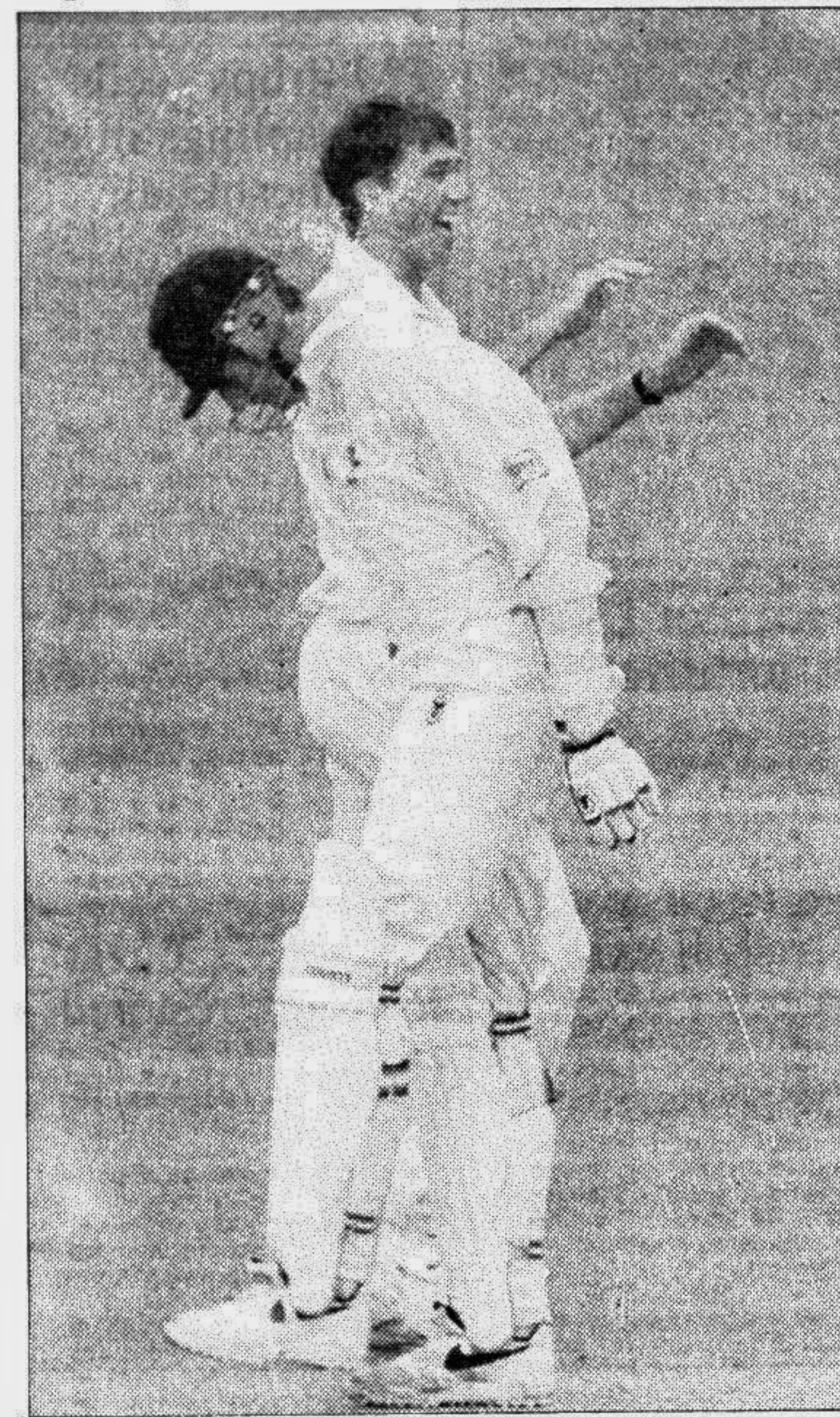
McGrath took his eighth wicket for his best haul in Test cricket when Andrew Caddick was lbw for one and led his team off the field knowing he had given the Australians a chance of squaring the six-Test series.

## SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at lunch on the third day of the second Test between England and Australia at Lord's.

Lord's on Saturday:  
ENGLAND: First innings (overnight 38-3)  
Butcher c Blewett b McGrath 5  
Atherton c Taylor b McGrath 1  
Stewart b McGrath 1  
Hussain lbw b McGrath 19  
Thorpe c Blewett b Reiffel 21  
Crawley c Healy b McGrath 1  
Ealham c Elliott b Reiffel 7  
Croft c Healy b McGrath 2  
Gough c Healy b McGrath 10

Caddick lbw b McGrath 1  
Malcolm not out 0  
Extras (b-4, nb-5) 9  
Total: (all out in 42.3 overs) 77  
Fall of wickets: 1-11; 2-12; 3-13; 4-47; 5-56; 6-62; 7-66; 8-76; 9-77.  
Bowling: O M R W  
McGrath 20.3 8 38 8  
Reiffel 15 9 17 2  
Kasprowicz 5 1 9 0  
Warne 2 0 9 0



A dejected Englishman Andrew Caddick, who became another Glenn McGrath (background) statistic during the latter's eight-wicket havoc in the hosts' first innings, heads for the dressing room at Lord's yesterday.

— AFP/UNB photo

Chang in  
last four

ROSMALEN, Netherlands, June 21: Top seed Michael Chang survived a fright before overcoming Spain's Francisco Clavet to reach the semifinals of the Heineken Trophy grass-court tournament on Friday, reports Reuter.

After losing the first set to the eighth-seeded Spaniard through a tie-break, American Chang saved three match points in the tie-break of the second set, which he eventually won 10-8.

Chang then took charge against a tiring Clavet to win 6-7, 7-6, 6-1 and set up a potentially exciting semifinal showdown with Wimbledon champion Richard Krajicek.

Dutchman Krajicek, the third seed, needed two tie-breaks before moving past unseeded Czech Martin Damm 7-6, 7-6.

Sweden's Jonas Bjorkman, seeded fourth, and Frenchman Guillaume Raoux will meet in the other semifinal.

In the women's competition, top seed Anke Huber of Germany and Miriam Oremans of the Netherlands saw their close semifinal battle halted by rain after each winning a set.

Huber had claimed the first set 6-4 and unseeded Oremans had taken the second, also 6-4, when the match was interrupted.

The decisive set will be played today and the winner will go on to meet third seed Ruxandra Dragomir of Romania in the final later today.

Greg-Karol  
finale

NOTTINGHAM, June 21: Greg Rusedski, rolled past Sandon Stolle 6-3, 6-4 and Karol Kucera upset the last remaining seed, Tim Henman, in three sets Saturday to set up a meeting in the final of the Nottingham Open, reports AP.

Although the tournament is a grass-court event as a warm up to Wimbledon, which starts Monday, both semifinals were played indoors on hard courts because of persistent rain which has dogged the event.

Organisers were hoping to stage the final on grass later Saturday, weather permitting. Alternatives were to play it indoors or hold it back until Sunday.

The problem with playing indoors is that no fans are allowed to watch it because of lack of space and safety problems. Some managed to watch the matches from outside through the windows.

Rusedski, the Canadian-born British player, had little trouble defeating Stolle of Australia in straight sets.

Kucera, from Slovakia, had a much harder fight against Henman, the tournament's number four seed, from Britain. He finally won 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 after one hour, 48 minutes.

The lack of noise from a partisan crowd may have helped Kucera, whose quarter-final against Scott Draper from Australia was transferred indoors for the final set Friday because of the bad weather.

Platt declines  
offer

LONDON, June 21: Former England captain David Platt is set to stay with Arsenal as a player next season and will be managing Southampton, the player said on Friday, reports Reuter.

The 31-year-old midfielder said he had been interviewed for Graeme Souness' old job by Southampton chairman Rupert Lowe late last week.

But Platt said that, while he was impressed with Lowe's vision for the future, he was preparing himself for another season at Highbury.

Perec avoids  
European Cup

PARIS, June 21: Double Olympic champion Marie-Jose Perec of France has dropped out of the European Cup, deciding not to join the French team in Munich today, reports Reuter.

Perec announced her decision in a statement after arriving in Paris from California, where she trains.

The Olympic 200 and 400 metres champion said earlier that she had decided against taking part in the World Championships in Athens in August to concentrate on the 400 metres flat.

## Macho game grieves greats



PRAGUE, June 21 (Reuters): "Don't blink or you'll miss it" will be the theme of this year's Wimbledon tournament on Friday, reports Reuter.

and that bothers many of tennis' legendary names who mourn the decline of touch play in the men's game.

Spectators may gasp at the huge power generated by the big servers and enjoy studying the speeds displayed on the radar monitor almost as much as the point itself.

But to names such as Bjorn Borg, Guillermo Vilas and Andres Gomez — all Grand Slam title winners — the fun should be in watching the players on the court, not the scoreboard.

Fortunately there is only one major tournament on grass, said Gomez, winner of the 1990 French Open. "It (Wimbledon) is still the biggest tournament of all, but I don't think people enjoy it as much as before."

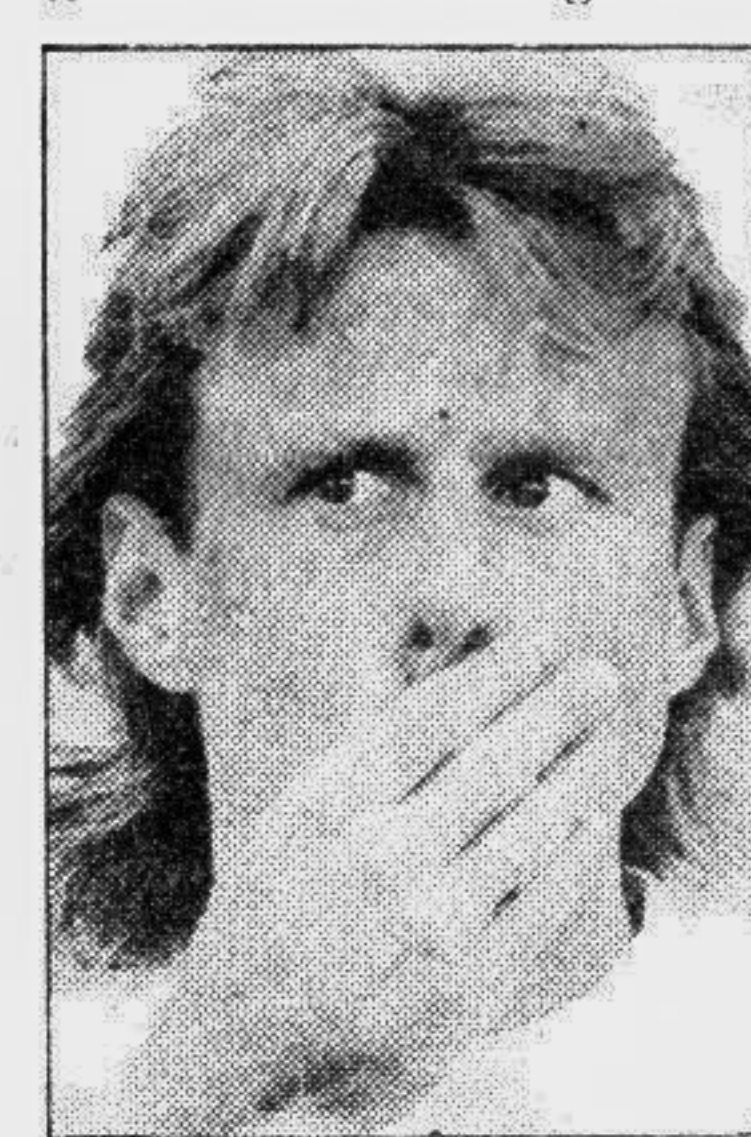
If last Weekend's Wimbledon warm-up at Queen's Club was any indication, Gomez may well be proved right.

In a match which demonstrated how one-dimensional the modern game can be on grass, Australian Mark Philippoussis beat Croat Goran Ivanisevic in less than an hour. The match produced only five points which featured rallies of more than four shots as the pair sent down 27 aces between them.

Philippoussis holds the

record for the fastest serve measured on the circuit at 229 kph, while Greg Rusedski of Britain, runner-up with 223.7 kph, is also given much more of a chance during the Wimbledon fortnight than he would on most other surfaces.

"This is the future of men's tennis. The fans better get used



BJORN BORG

to it," acknowledged Borg, a five-time winner of what is arguably tennis' most cherished event.

Borg believes that with players becoming stronger, better-trained and with the advances in equipment, there is only one way for the game to go — faster.

But he is quick to add that his odds-on favourite to win the event is not the hardest server, but the game's best finesse player Pete Sampras.

"Pete would be my choice with his strong all-round skills, but there are a lot of evenly-matched players so there could still be a lot of upsets," Borg, currently competing on the ATP Champions Tour said.

Several top players naturally suited to slower surfaces, such as Spaniards Sergi Bruguera, the French Open finalist, Alex Corretja, Felix Mantilla and Alberto Berasategui have already decided to cut their losses, and have pulled out or declined to enter Wimbledon.

Their absence, to some people's chagrin, leaves the field open to the big hitters.

"There were less guys in our time who could just rely on hitting the ball hard and not have to play points," said Gene Mayer, ranked fourth in the world in 1980.

"One of the difficulties in today's game is that people can't relate to it. If they see points going on, they can see what it's like and understand the game, as opposed to watching someone who just hits aces and puts the ball away."

"That's unfortunate and may be the reason why women's tennis is gaining again in appeal. At least people can see what's going on. It's not just one shot and the point is over."

## Seles loses a slugfest



EASTBOURNE, June 21: Top seed and defending champion Monica Seles was beaten 7-5, 7-5 by big-serving Brenda Schultz-McCarthy in the rain-plagued Eastbourne grass-court championship Saturday and failed to make the semifinals, reports AP.

Resuming after a two-day delay with the number eight seed leading 7-5, 2-2, Seles claimed the first two games. But Schultz-McCarthy immediately broke back, and her ability to come to net to fire off some winning volleys, as well as the safety-net of her huge serve, gave her the edge.

Seles struggled to pick up the ball from some soft bounces and could make little further impression on her opponent's serve. A double-fault that gave Schultz-McCarthy a vital break for 6-5 sealed her fate.

"The conditions were difficult for both of us," Seles said. "It's hard to get your rhythm going against Brenda and there's a



MONICA SELES

lot of pressure to hold your serve. I didn't handle that too well. I've got to try and get my serve a little more in order.

There's just a few minor things I have to work on. But

every match I lose I've been up and that upsets me. It didn't used to be like that."

With two days of rain virtually wiping out any chance to practice, Seles will go into Wimbledon with fewer matches than she would have liked. But she refuses to be too disappointed.

"I would like to have got more matches and practice, no question, but I just have to forget about it and put it behind me," she said. "Last year I thought I played some great tennis here and then lost in the second round at Wimbledon, so I'll take it one match at a time."

Jana Novotna reached the semifinal after resuming her rain-interrupted match leading 6-2, 6-5 and just three points from victory.

She eventually prevailed 6-2, 6-7, 6-4 in windy conditions that made good tennis virtually impossible. Beginning the match by serving from the more exposed end of the court, Novotna was often forced to wait for nearly a minute between serves as she waited for the wind to ease, but still double-faulted to take the match into a tiebreaker.

Both players were often reduced to making desperate lunges at the ball as it swung in the wind. The second-seeded Czech managed to build a 6-4 lead to hold two match points, only to see Sugiyama rally to level the match.

In the final set Novotna kept finding the net on both her approach shots and volleys, while Sugiyama's groundstrokes were far more reliable. It was Novotna who edged through when Sugiyama sent a volley wide.

Natasha Zvereva finally completed a match that had stretched over three days. On Thursday, Zvereva won the first set, on Friday Nathalie Tauziat won the second, and on Saturday Zvereva claimed a 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 victory to line up a semifinal clash with Novotna.

Later Saturday Schultz-McCarthy faced fourth seed Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, who ousted sixth seed Irina Spirlea 6-4, 6-4.

With players anxious to get to Wimbledon, the organisers were planning to play the quarterfinals, semifinals and final all on Saturday.

## Agassi absent

LONDON, June 21: Former champion Andre Agassi has pulled out of Wimbledon because of a lingering wrist injury, the tournament organisers said on Friday, reports Reuter.

The same injury forced the American to withdraw from last month's French Open.

Former world number one Agassi, currently out of the top 20, won Wimbledon in 1992.

## The Daily Star Entertainment Guide

Sunday 22nd June (All programmes are in local time. There may be changes in the programmes).			
<b>BBC</b>			
6:00am BBC World News 6:30 Hard Talk 7:00 BBC World News 7:30 World Focus: Correspondents 8:00 BBC World News 8:30 India Business Report 9:00 BBC World Headlines 9:05 Weekend World: Cracking The Code 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Focus: Britain in View 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 India Business Report 12:00noon BBC World News 12:30 Hard Talk 1:00 BBC World Headlines 1:05 Weekend World: Cracking The Code 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 Time Out: Tomorrow's World 3:00 BBC Newsdesk inc. World Business Report & 24 Hours 4:00 BBC Newsdesk inc. Asia Today & World Business Report 5:00 BBC World Headlines 5:05 Weekend World: Horizon			
<b>CHANNEL V</b>			
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<b>STAR PLUS</b>			
6:30am Voltorn 7:00 Wildlife International 7:30 King Arthur 8:00 Dungeons & Dragons 8:30 Tara Rum Pum 9:30 Chandrakanta 10:30 Janeta Ki Adalat 11:00 Bunyad 11:30 Amul India Show 12:00noon The Great Escape 12:30 India Business Week 1:00 Living On The Edge 1:30 Star Trek 2:30 Hindi Classic Film: "Love In Tokyo" (Joy Mukherjee, Asha Chaudhary) 3:30 Batman 6:00 Chaitanyo 7:00 Amul India Show 7:30 Priya Tendulkar Show 8:30 Chandrakanta 9:30 Reporter 10:00 A Question Of			
Answers 10:30 Star News Sunday 11:30 Dynasty 12:30 India Business Week 1:00 Star News Sunday 2:00 BBC Documentary: The Dream Machine 3:00 Movie Classic: The Night Has Eyes 4:30 El TV 5:00 Burke's Law			
<b>STAR SPORTS</b>			
6:00am Cricket Week 6:30 Malboro Asia Road Racing Championship 1997 Bangkok, Thailand 7:30 Watersports World 8:30 World Wrestling Federation Blast Off 9:30 Asia Sport Show 10:00 WLAF 10:30 Formula Nippon 1997 Fuji Speedway 3rd Round 11:30 Kalyani Black Label Cup 1st Quarter Final 1:30 International Tests Australia v France From Sydney 3:30 British Lions Tour Of South Africa 1st Test 4:30 The Asian Football Show 5:30 Cliffhangers on Wheels 6:30 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field 8:00 Inside PGA Tour 8:30 Kalyani Black Label Cup 2nd Quarter Final 10:30 Super			
League Rugby 12:30 Sports Unlimited 1:30 The Asian Football Show 2:30 Watersports World 3:30 ASP World Championships Tokushima World Challenge 5:00 Kalyani Black Label Cup 2nd Quarter Final			
<b>STAR MOVIES</b>			
7:30am Classic: No My Darling Daughter 9:30 Family: Last Battle For The Universe PG 11:00 The Bhaskar Ghose Show 11:30 Classic: O H M S 1:30 Adventure: Anything To Survive PG 3:30 Sunday Show Time: Pee-Wee's Playhouse PG 4:30 Sunday Show Time: The Directors — Herbert Ross (15) 5:30 Sunday Family: Double Feature: Andy Cole's Incredibly Awesome Adventure PG (Hindi Subtitles) 7:30 Sunday Family Double Feature: Heck's Way Home 12:30 The Bhaskar Ghose Show 10:00 Gold: Ghost Chase 12:00 True Stories: The Amityville Horror 18 2:00 Action: Bullet 18 4:00 Action: Dragon Fist 15 5:30 Hor-			
ror: The Haunting 15 (Arabic Subtitles)			
<b>ZEE TV</b>		<b>EL TV</b>	
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<b>ZEE CINEMA</b>			
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