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Competition closes 8 pm, June 27, '97 How many countries will participate in the sixth Asia

Cup cricket?

Three The number of associate members in the International Cricket Council are Who has scored a double

hattrick in the Green Delta First Division hockey league? Siam Sadek Kamal 4 The Bangladesh vice-cap-

tain in the 6th Asia Cup is The new French Open champion is

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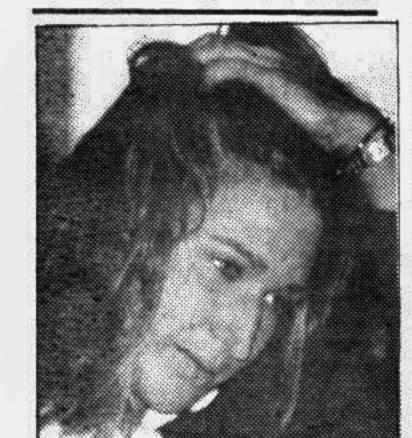
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Steffi Graf

(German tennis superstar) "It's difficult to say exactly what my form is at the mo-

After the French Open.

Pioneer football

Sports Reporter

Draws were the order of the day in Pioneer football league matches played in the different parts of the city yesterday.

At the Rajuk Ground, Arambagh Krira Chakra and Lalbagh Tarun Sangha shared honours in a 1-1 draw. Selim put Lalbagh ahead in the 13th minute while Arambagh's Supan equalised in the 50th minute. Badshah Smriti Sangsad

and Rainbow Athletics Club finished goalless. Away at the Dhupkhola

ground, Prodeep Sangha and Khilgaon Jubo Sangha split points after a 2-2 tie. The other game between Deeba Sangsad and Abakash Sporting Club was locked goalless.

At the Jagannath University ground, Paradagair Samaj Kalyan Sangsad held Mukti Khelaghar finished 2-2. Harun and Mintu netted one each for Mukti Khelaghar while Faruque and Ansars scored one

apiece for the Paradagair outfit. Swadesh Samaj Kalyan Sangha and Golam Mustafa Lane Club ended scoreless.

Soccer to open Sydney Games

MELBOURNE, June 25: Soccer will likely kick off the 2000 Olympics in Sydney — two days before the opening ceremonies - in an effort to spread out the congested tournament schedule, reports AP.

FIFA Olympic committee delegate David Hill was commenting Wednesday on published reports that satellite venues in Melbourne, Adelaide, Canberra and Brisbane would get the jump on Sydney.

Hill, who has been involved in talks with Sepp Blatter, secretary general of soccer's ruling body FIFA, said there were

problems squeezing the series into the tight Games schedule. FIFA has applied to start the soccer tournament two days before the opening ceremonies on Sept 15 because there is concern players would not have enough recovery time between

ing up to six games in 14 days. Jones' fitting Europe debut

matches. Some teams are play-

TURIN, Italy, June 25: New US sprint sensation Marion Jones ran a 11.08 sec 100m here on Tuesday in her first outing

in Europe, reports AFP. Jones has run the three fastest 100m times in the world so far this season and also earned the women's long jump title at the recent US Champi-

onships. Jones, whose run had a 2.8m per second following wind in beating Russia's Natalia Voronova into second place with 11.20 sec, is set to compete in both 100m and long jump in the August World Championships



Mohammedan's Pakistani forward Kamran Ashraf (L) tries to dodge past a stranded Mariners' custodian during their Green Delta First Division league match at the Hockey Stadium yesterday. Mohammedans won 6-2.

Pak stars pave MSC's way



Holders Mohammedan Sporting Club went further towards retaining the Green Delta First Division le-

ague title after trouncing powerhouse Mariner Young's Club 6-2 in one of the two matches played at the National Hockey Stadium yesterday. In an almost one-sided af-

fair. Mohammedans, spearheaded by their four Pakistani internationals - Shahbaz Ahmed, Kamran Ashraf, Tahir Zaman and Waheed Shahid, enjoyed total superiority and reached within sight of victory in the first half which they led

World Cup winning hero Ashraf, who arrived on Tuesday alongwith Tahir Zaman to join compatriots Shahbaz and Shahid in the Motijheel side, celebrated his first match will three brilliant field goals. Kamran apart, skipper Mahfuzul Alam Nixon added two while Ashiguzzaman netted the

Forwards Musa Miah and Mohammad Javed, on the other hand, reduced the margin for

international transfer regula-

tions in their bid to sign Rona-

RONALDO

ldo from Barcelona, reports

Italian federation, were

adamant that they had done

nothing wrong and were hope-

ful that they would get the all-

position because we've done ev-

erything by the rules," club

President Massimo Moratti

"We're still convinced of our

"For now this in only the

opinion of a FIFA lawyer. We

need to see what the interna-

tional federation itself does and

such an opinion has been ex-

soccer's world governing body,

said that the transfer of the

Brazilian striker may have

contravened its international

transfer regulations even

though the Italian club claimed

world footballer-of-the-year is

a free-agent, having obtained

his release from Barcelona last

Friday when he bought out his

contract for four billion Pesetas

player cannot buy out his con-

tract for the purposes of obtain-

been informed by FIFA that the

in Spanish league contracts are

valid for domestic transfers

only. Moves abroad must be ne-

"The provision is strictly

Spanish law and does not apply

internationally," said FIFA

deputy secretary Michel Zen-

Ruffinen. "The Italian club ap-

parently believes the rule ap-

plies everywhere and once a

player is free on Spanish terri-

gotiated by the two teams.

buyouts or withdrawal clauses

ing an international transfer.

But FIFA rules state that a

The Spanish federation has

(27.6 million dollars).

Ronaldo's lawyers claim the

to have secured his services.

pressed so late after the event."

"In any case, I'm amazed that

Earlier on Tuesday FIFA,

what official position it takes.

clear to take Ronaldo to Italy.

Inter, being backed by the

GENEVA, June 25:

Internazionale

reacted angrily on

Tuesday to sugges-

tions from FIFA

that they may

have contravened

Sports Reporter

Mariners scoring one apiece. Mohammedans took their impressive all-win record to thirteen and earned a solo lead in the 16-team league having raised their tally to 39 points, two ahead of Usha Krira Chakra. Third placed Abahani Krira Chakra have 34 points. The defeat kept Mariners in

fourth with 30 points. Nixon, the handsome Mohammedan skipper who has already emerged as the leading MSC scorer, put his side ahead converting a penalty corner in second minute while Kamran, who scored eight goals in the 1994 World Cup, doubled the margin after two minutes later with a magnificent field goal.

the 18th minute with a brilliant solo move that originated from the midfield and ended with an intelligent lob over the advancing Mariner custodian. After ten minutes, Nixon sealed the first half through

another penalty corner. He has

tory is free to sign wherever."

According to Ruffinen there

has only been one instance

where a player has bought out

his contract to obtain a trans-

fer, Russian Valeri Karpin mak-

ing use of the provision to jump

from one Spanish club to an-

"That move was recognised

FIFA said it had not yet been

as valid but that was within the

asked to intervene in the in-

creasingly complicated dispute

although it had received a com-

plaint from the Spanish feder-

ation submitted on behalf of

Inter are in violation of FIFA

Article 13, which states that,

any club wishing to talk to a

player under contract to an-

other club must obtain permis-

sion from his current club first.

Age-group sports

begin today

Sports Reporter

group sports championship,

organised by the Sports Direc-

torate, will begin at the

Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Pro-

girls will participate in five

events - cricket, hockey, vol-

leyball, handball and athletics.

Sports Obaidul Quader will in-

Toshack joins

Turkish club

coach John Toshack, who re-

signed from leading Spanish

club Deportivo de La Coruna,

oined Istanbul's Besiktas on

Wednesday as Turkish sides

prepare to bid for European

success next season, reports AP.

mer Liverpool star, is to be paid

1.5 million dollars for a two-

tanbul club go one better and

win the Turkish national

league next season, but his am-

bitions are not only on the do-

"I will try to improve Besik-

Toshack has coached in

Spain and Portugal for the last

12 years during which he won

the league title for Real Madrid

and the Spanish Cup with Real

before joining Deportivo last

year, but in February he re-

signed from the Spanish club

after a bitter row with club sup-

Newcastle's French winger

Besiktas is now chasing

He was with Sporting Lisbon

Sociedad de San Sebastien.

tas both in Turkey and Europe,"

Toshack told reporters after

signing for the club in Istanbul.

Toshack, a 48-year-old for-

Toshack aims to help the Is-

ANKARA, June 25: Welsh

A large number of boys and

State Minister for Youth and

tisthan (BKSP) today.

augurate the meet.

year contract.

mestic front.

porters.

David Ginola.

The four-day national age-

The complaint claims that

Barcelona.

country," said Zen-Ruffinen.

Kamran then made it 3-0 in

Mohammedans added two more to their credit in the second half beginning with Kamran who placed the ball home

now scored 15 goals.

the gap capitalising on a Yusuf pass in

the 37th minute while Ashique scored the last goal from a Sharafat pass after 13 minutes. Before facing arch-rivals Abahani in the league's last month, reports Reuter. match on July 5, Mohammedans will take on Usha Krira

encounter on June 28. The league will mark a day off today for the maintenance of the synthetic turf.

Chakra in the penultimate

BSC'S FOURTH

In the other match of the day, Bangladesh Sporting Club recorded their fourth victory defeating Victoria Sporting Club 3-2. The winners led the first

half 2-1. Sabbir, Mamun and Iqbal Singh, one of the three Indian recruits for Bangladesh Sporting, scored one goal each while

Fazlu and Mozammel reduced the margin for Victoria. The win raised Bangladesh Sporting Club's tally to 12 points from 13 matches. For Victoria, it was their ninth defeat which kept then glued to their previous collection of

"This apparently has not

been done, said Zen-Ruffinen.

Asked whether Inter would ne-

gotiate directly with Barcelona

Moratti said "No, we won't ne-

gotiate directly with Barcelona,

who recently signed Ronaldo

until 2004, they are bound to-

tion (FIGC) responded to

Ruffinen's comments by back-

and will ask the Spanish feder-

ation to grant an international

transfer in relation to the paid

deposit... on the contract with

the player Ronaldo," the federa-

Betis in the Spanish Cup final

on Saturday, have hinted that

Ronaldo, who has said he will

never play for Barca again,

could be named in the team.

Barcelona, who play Real

tion said in a statement.

The Italian football federa-

"The FIGC will support Inter

face a massive transfer fee.

ing the Italian club.

But if Inter are forced to ne-

gotiate, absolutely not."

eight points.

LONDON, June 25: West In-

Windies close

dies closed the margin on leaders Australia in the unofficial world cricket rankings today following their 1-0 Test series victory over Sri Lanka this

West Indies, regarded as cricket's world champions for many years until Australia beat them in 1995, moved to within three points of Mark Taylor's team in the Wisden world championship.

They are now outright second ahead of South Africa, Sri Lanka drop to seventh after their defeat.

The rankings system, devised by Wisden Cricketers' Almanack, is likely to be adopted officially at the end of the year after the International Cricket Council decided last week in Principle in favour of such a championship.

Rankings are base on the most recent meetings, both at home and away, between each pair of teams, with two points for winning each series or oneoff Test and one for drawing. The difference between the number played and points decides placings.

Piper penalised

FIFA act angers Inter BIRMINGHAM, June 25: keeper Keith Piper has been ing a drug-test, Warwickshire county club announced Wednesday, reports AP.

Piper, 27, was found smoking the illegal drug cannabis, which is in breach of club rules. "Following consultation

with the England and Wales Cricket Board, he has been suspended for one game and fined 500 pounds (815 dollars) for misconduct and bringing the game into disrepute," read an official Warwickshire statement.

Cannabis is not on the ECB's list of banned substances because it is not a performanceenhancing drug. Warwickshire took action on the basis of the drug's illegality.

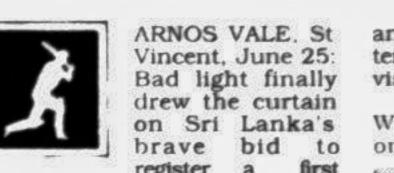
The entire Warwickshire club was tested for drugs on Monday after that drugs were rife at cricket's top level.

Former England A wicketfined and suspended after fail-



ball using his head while Wavreille Dimitri of Belgium looks on during their second round match of the World Youth soccer tournament in Kuching, Malaysia yesterday. - AFP/UNB photo

Elements spoil charm and another break for rain after tea put extra pressure on the Vincent, June 25:



Test win against West Indies on Tuesday, reports Reuter. Needing 269 to win and starting the final day on 97 for two, exhilarating batting by Aravinda de Silva (78) and cap-

tain Arjuna Ranatunga (72 not

out) took Sri Lanka within reach of their target. But then fast bowlers Courtney Walsh and Curtly Ambrose struck with two wickets apiece and in the end West Indies looked the more likely victors as Sri Lanka fell to 233 for eight before bad light ended the match.

West Indies took the twomatch series 1-0 after winning the first Test in Antigua by six wickets.

De Silva gave Sri Lanka the positive start they needed, hitting fast bowler Ian Bishop for two boundaries in his opening Although he lost overnight

Partner Roshan Mahanama, caught behind for 29 off Bishop, De Silva continued to carry the attack to the West Indies bowlers, reaching his half-century in exactly one hour from 47 balls and hitting nine fours. With Sri Lanka reaching 179 for three by lunch, victory

looked well on the cards, but then the entire afternoon session was lost because of a storm

visitors. After De Silva was bowled by



HOOPER ... m-o-m Ranatunga the support he

needed and in the end it was Sri

Lanka who were battling to avoid defeat. Walsh was the best of the

West Indies bowlers, finishing with four for 73.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the close of play on the fifth and final day of the second and final Test between West Indies and Sri Lanka at Arnos Vale on Tues-

WEST INDIES: First innings 147 (C L Hooper 81; K R Push-

pakumara 5-41) SRI LANKA: First innings 222 (S T Jayasuriya 90; C L

Hooper 5-26) WEST INDIES: Second innings 343 (B C Lara 115; M Muralitharan 5-113) SRI LANKA: Second innings

(overnight 97 for two)

Jayasuriya b Walsh Mahanama c Browne b Bishop Attapattu b Walsh De Silva b Walsh Ranatunga not out Kaluwitharana hit wkt b Walsh S Ranatunga run out Dharmasena c Browne b Ambrose

Muralitharan c Holder b Ambrose Sanjeeva not out Extras: (lb-3, nb-14, w-1) Total: (for 8 wkts) Wkts fell at: 26; 55; 118; 189; 193; 208; 231; 231 Bowling Ambrose

Bishop Hooper Result: Match drawn; West

Indies won the series 1-0 Man of the match: Carl Hooper (West Indies).

231-run win over Herefordshire

Darren's devastating show tury as Somerset rattled up a LONDON, June 25:



just 53, their second lowest score during 18 years of the competition. Earlier Gough had hit 46, also a competition best, off 47 balls to help Yorkshire recover

took seven for 27 including a

hattrick to skittle Ireland for

to 249 after Ireland had reduced them to 55 for six. Peter Hartley (83), Craig White (63) shared a seventhwicket stand of exactly 100, before Hartley and Gough com-

pleted the recovery as they added 79 in 12 overs. Norfolk were made to pay for their early insolence as Warwickshire came back to secure an 80-run success at Edgbaston.

The Minor Counties side seemed set for victory when three wickets in 11 balls at the cost of one run by skipper Paul Newman (four for 23) had Warwicks tottering at 25 for six.

But Ashley Giles (69) and Andy Moles (64) revived the home side to a final total of 207 all out with a seventh-wicket stand of 137, before Giles then took five for 21 with his leftarm spin as Norfolk folded to

127 all out in reply.



D GOUGH ...allround show five for 39 on his competition debut to help Sussex overpower Shropshire by 10 winkets satist

Fast bowler Kirtley ripped the heart out of the Minor Counties team who were routed for 116 in 47.5 overs. Openers Keith Greenfield (89

n.o.) and Bill Athey (18 n.o) then saw Sussex home in unhurried fashion, as the hosts clinched victory with more than 14 overs in hand.

Simon Ecclestone smashed

his first NatWest Trophy cen-

BOMBAY, India, June 25: Indian cricket risks beco-

ming embroiled in a "chucking" row if its selectors bring back controversial off spinner Rajesh Chauhan for the upcoming tour to Sri Lanka, a Muralitharan. top officials conceded today,

reports AFP. But Jagmohan Dalmiya outgoing secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and the new head of the International Cricket Council to star in Sri Lanka's World Cup (ICC), said he was willing to take the risk in the interests of

the player. You never know what will happen in such cases," he said, a day after the board gave its selectors a green light to pick Chauhan after a two year exile. "You cannot hold back a player unless he is proved guilty."

India's selectors meet Saturday to pick a squad for the tour, which begins next month and includes the Asia Cup tournament involving India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and two Tests. Chauhan has been over-

looked by India since a series against New Zealand in 1995,

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when a match referee's doubts led to the ICC sending a video of the player's action to India. If Chauhan is selected, he

could find himself trapped in the same nightmare that almost wrecked the career of Sri Lankan off spinner Muttiah Muralitharan was called for

throwing while playing in Australia and was virtually drummed out of the game, sparking an international row. His action, however, later became accepted, allowing him

triumph last year. Chauhan has been allowed to play domestic cricket since 1995 but India selectors have not dared risk playing him in Tests or one-day internation-

Dalmiya, speaking from Bombay, said India had taken what precautions it could to check that Chauhan's action was legal, with former Indian Test greats Kapil Dev and Sunil Gavaskar, who are both currently active on ICC Committees, asked to study it. "When the two top players of

India have viewed your action, it is not necessary to show it to anyone else," he said.

The stylish left-hander hit 101 off just 62 balls with some savage stroke-play, with Piran Holloway (90) and Peter Bowler (87) the other main contributors to a Somerset total of 367 for five. And Mushtaq Ahmed's four for 27 haul then completed the rout as Herefordshire were blown away for 136 in 37.4

at Taunton.

Nottinghamshire made light work of booking their passage into the second round, skittling out Staffordshire for 95 on the way to a 10-wicket Trent Bridge

Nathan Astle (three for 20) and Andy Pick (three for 17) starred with the ball as the visitors slid from 75 to three, before openers Tim Robinson (41) and Paul Pollard (42) steered Nottinghamshire home.

Chris Adams blasted an unbeaten 71 off 44 balls as Derbyshire reached their target against Lincolnshire at Lincoln Lindum with 41 overs to spare. Adams hit six fours and four

sixes in an explosive show of power after the home side had been bowled out for 116. Holders Lancashire rattled up their second largest total in the competition, 351 for seven,

as Berkshire were sent packing by a 169-run margin at Old Trafford. Graham Lloyd (96) and manof-the-match NatWest debutant Mark Harvey (86) put on 176 in

28 overs and fellow trophy newboy Paddy McKeown weighed in with 42 for the red rose county. Cambridge were crushed in

all departments as Hampshire completed an emphatic 239-run victory at Wisbech. The visitors' total of 321 for

four was based around a second wicket stand of 176 in 35 overs between Australian opener Matthew Hayden (90) and Robin Smith (126) after Jason Laney had been first out after weighing in with 40. Competition-best bowling

(three for 13) knocked Cambridgeshire over for just 82. Unlucky Bas Zuiderent was dismissed for 99 as Holland slumped to a 111-run defeat in their clash against Worcester-

figures by John Stephenson

(five for 34) and Shaun Udal

shire at New Road Zuiderent had smacked two sixes and ten fours off 141 balls in a Holland total of 225 as the visitors chased a formidable 337 in which Tom Moody scored 108.

.A superb 90 by Alec Stewart and some fireworks from Alistair Brown (44) and captain Adam Hollioake (34) steered Surrey to a comfortable fivewicket win over Durham at The

Surrey reached 251 for five with 11.1 overs to spare after Durham had compiled an inadequate 247 for seven in their 60 overs.

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CRYPTOQUIP HXLMSQ HMSHY

OBPZHSQ Yesterday's Cryptoquip: 1 THOROUGHLY REC-OMMEND THE DRACULA FILM TO YOU - IT'S FANG-TASTIC! Today's Cryptoquip clue: H equals C

The Cryptoquip 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.

Brazil won 10-0.

James Kirtley roared in with Chauhan cleared?