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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-78

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes 8 pm.

July 11, '97

1 Who is the third fastest server in men's tennis circuit at the moment?

Ruedi Rosset Knjok

2 How many warm-up matches will Bangladesh play before the World Cup in 1998?

Four Three Six

3 How many matches has Shahbaz played for Pakistan?

219 220 221

4 What is the position of Bangladesh in FIFA rankings for June?

137 138 139

5 Who lifted Cate Premier handball league title?

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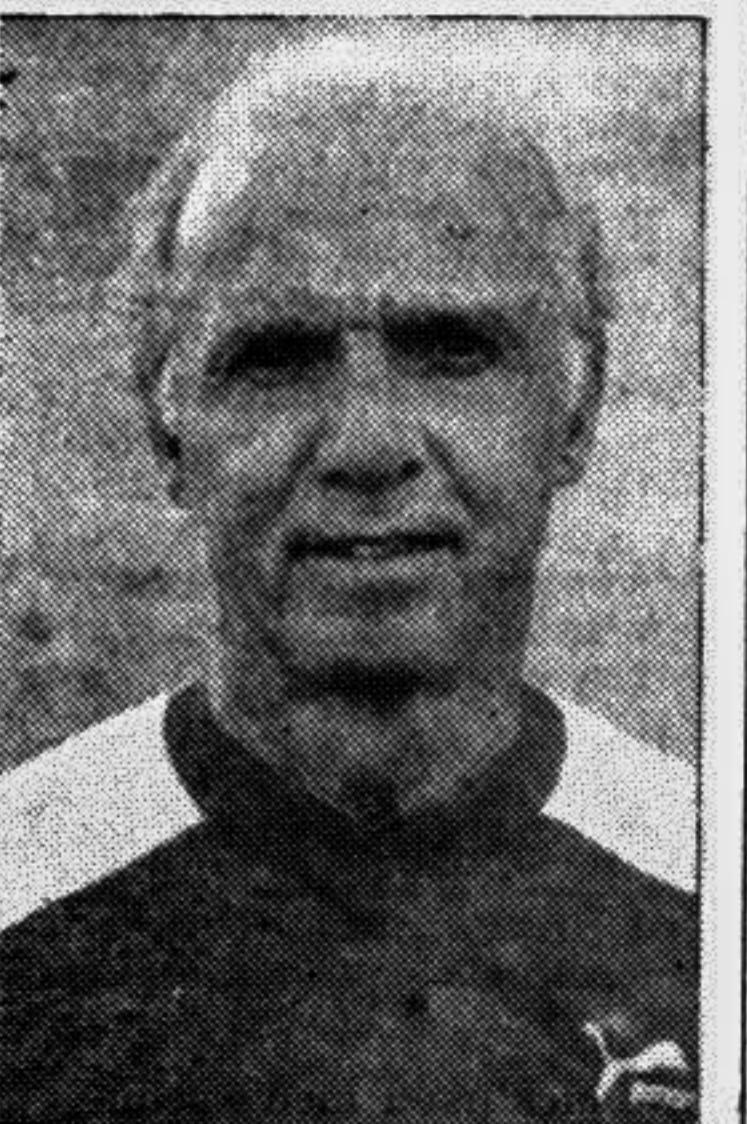
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SPORTS TALK



Mario Zagallo

(Brazil soccer coach)

"Great improvements in diet and muscular development mean football today is much more physical."

No luck for Knight

LONDON, July 5: Nick Knight broke his finger while playing for Warwickshire against Surrey to put his England Test comeback on ice, reports AFP.

The 27-year-old Knight is set to be out of cricket for up to a month and a half because of little finger fracture in his left hand.

Knight sustained the injury when diving forward from second slip to scoop up a catch from Surrey's former England all-rounder Chris Lewis at Edgbaston on Friday.

Knight played in eight consecutive Tests until breaking his left index finger in three places during a one-day international in New Zealand in February.

Though he was recalled for the Texaco Trophy matches against Australia in May, he lost his place to Surrey's Mark Butcher.

Rain ruins WC qualifier

SYDNEY, July 5: A sudden downpour forced officials to postpone the World Cup soccer Oceania Group qualifying match between Australia and New Zealand on Saturday, reports AP.

The match was rescheduled for Sunday night at Parramatta Stadium in western Sydney.

Australia won the first leg 3-0 in Auckland and are well placed to advance to the last qualifying stage of the World Cup.

A torrential downpour created a half a dozen huge lakes on the playing surface at Sydney Football Stadium. Heavy rain continued to fall and the match was called off 40 minutes before the scheduled kick-off.

Rangers keep Gascoigne

LONDON, July 5: England midfielder Paul Gascoigne signed a new three-year contract with Scottish champions Rangers on Friday, bringing to an end months of speculation about his future, reports AFP.

Gascoigne, 30, was signed by Rangers from Lazio in May 1995 for 4.3 million pounds (about 6.5 million dollars) and has played a major part in their last two league championships.

The announcement came as a blow to Middlesbrough, whose manager Bryan Robson was on Friday reported to be in Barbados trying to persuade the hollering star to join the released Teessiders as a replacement for Brazilian midfielder Juninho.



Former national hockey players Jamil Parvez Lulu (L) and Jummon Lusai (R) of Abahani KC console their former national teammate Jamal Haider of Mohammmedan SC prior to yesterday's last Green Delta First Division league match. The trio retired from the sport yesterday.

Sport

Tanveer named tour manager

Sports Reporter

Tanveer Haider has been selected as the tour manager of the Bangladesh squad for the forthcoming sixth Asia Cup. The four-national tourney will begin in Colombo on July 14.

The decision for appointing a 'tour manager' was made at the executive committee meeting of the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) at its office last night. Earlier, in the ICC Trophy there was no such post.

Besides, the board has also decided that any team would be able to sign four foreign players in the domestic cricket, off whom only two will be eligible for a game. Regarding the formation of the Premier league, the governing body of local cricket, has decided that all of both first leg and the six-team Super league matches will be 80-over-a-side affairs instead of traditional 50-over-a-side.

BCB names 19 pool players

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Cricket Board yesterday announced a 19-member national pool for the forthcoming 1997-98 season.

A maximum of four players per club will be allowed.

Wicketkeepers Khaled Masood Pilot and Jahangir Alam have been exempted from it on condition that they play in at least seventy per cent of their respective clubs' league matches.

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