

## Column One

## Greenidge to replace injured Pilot!

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN  
Competition-73

✓ 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?  
Rusden Rosset Krajick

2 How many warm-up matches will Bangladesh play before the World Cup in 1999?  
Four Three Six

3 How many matches has Shahbaz played for Pakistan?  
219 220 221

4 What is the position of Bangladesh in FFA rankings for June?  
137 138 139

5 Who lifted Cote Premier handball league title?  
Ansars Menjus BDR

Name .....

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**EN-VITS**  
SPORTS TALK

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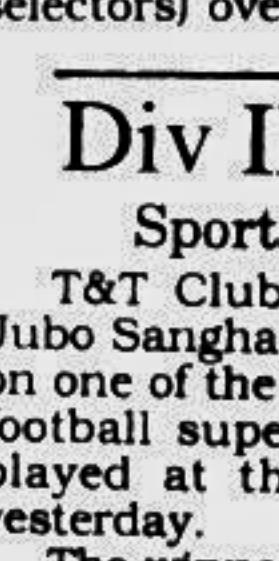
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The two-day first Bangladesh taekwondo championship, organised by the Taekwondo Association of Bangladesh, commences at the National Council gymnasium this morning at 10 am.

A total of 200 participants from 20 clubs across the country are participating in the tournament scheduled to end tomorrow.

**Army football**

COMILLA, July 10: Five robin league matches were decided on the second day of the Army football championship at the Comilla Cantonment today, reports BSS.

Dhaka Infantry beat Air Defense Artillery by 2-1 goals, Jessor Area defeated Momenshahi Area by 3-0 goals, Chittagong Area outplayed Rangpur Area by 2-0 goals, Dhaka Engineers defeated Savar Area by 2-0 goals and Log Area beat Dhaka Signals by a solitary goal.

**Melbourne**

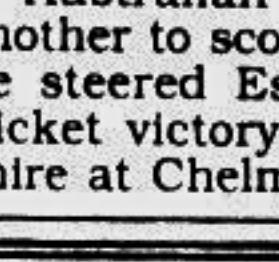
MELENE, July 10: A century from South African Jacques Kallis boosted Middlesex to a thrilling four-wicket NatWest Trophy win over Gloucestershire with just three balls to spare at Uxbridge on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

West Indian Monte Lynch earlier led Gloucestershire to 277 for nine, hitting exactly 100 in just 108 balls and with nine fours and two sixes.

But then Kallis, who was also Middlesex's leading wicket-taker with four for 47, weighed in with exactly 100 of his own off 138 deliveries with three sixes and six fours.

Then Jason Pooley, hitting his first half-century in the competition, cracked an unbeaten 79 and hit a boundary off the third ball of the final over to enable Middlesex to win by four wickets.

Australian Stuart Law was another to score exactly 100 as he steered Essex to a seven-wicket victory over Worcestershire at Chelmsford in another



## Melbourne

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second round match.

His 91-ball innings laid the foundation for victory with 15 balls to spare after Graeme Hick's 146 had been the mainstay of the visitors' 286 for nine.

Law helped himself to two sixes and 11 fours before he was finally caught in the deep after sharing in a third-wicket stand of 132 in 24 overs with Ronnie Irani, but then Irani (79 not out) and Paul Grayson (82 not out) shared an unbroken stand of 136 in 29 overs to complete a comfortable win.

Hick had needed just 15 deliveries to score his runs, 26 of which came in one over from left-arm spinner Grayson, in all. He plundered 10 fours and five sixes, one of which left a woman spectator needing attention after being struck above an eye.

Former Warwickshire skipper Dermot Reeve made an unhappy return to Edgbaston as his former charges pulled off the kind of miraculous win he often masterminded to dump Somerset out of the competition.

Reeve won the NatWest trophy on four occasions, once with Sussex and three times with Warwickshire, before mov-

## Sport

## Zaheer hoping against hope

ISLAMABAD, July 10: Ronaldo's newly appointed cricket manager of the Pakistan team, Zaheer Abbas, has expressed the hope that Pakistan would be able to break the Asia Cup jinx and win the tournament for the first time, reports PTI.

Despite the fact that Abbas would be accompanying a highly depleted team to Asia Cup starting in Sri Lanka early next week, he said, "I have faith in the ability of the selected Pakistan team to win the Asia Cup for the first time ever."

Pakistan, a former world champion, has never won the Asia Cup since its inception in the early 1980s.

Abbas, a brilliant batsman of yesteryear and a national selector now, told a local daily, "Despite the unavailability of a number of regulars we have still managed to select a balanced and variable side."

Five regular Pakistani bowlers, Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis, Mushtaq Ahmed, Mohammad Zahid and Mohammed Akram and one batsman, Ijaz Ahmed, have expressed their inability to join the team due to their preoccupation with the English cricket.

The team, however, would benefit from the return of opening batsman Aamir Sohail, whose two-year ban was lifted by the Pakistan Cricket Board and was selected for the Asian Cup.

**GORDON GREENIDGE'**

who had to take two stitches in his bruised lips, is expected to be fit again before Bangladesh's Cup-opener against Pakistan on July 16.

But after a day's break things have been improved a lot with Athar, a veteran of seven

## FIFA to break jinx on July 22

ZURICH, July 10: Ronaldo's controversial transfer from Barcelona to Internazionale will be discussed by FIFA on July 22.

FIFA's Players' Status Committee will also examine an equally contentious move by French international defender Bixente Lizarazu from Athletic Bilbao to Bayern Munich.

At the centre of the disputes are the "buyout" or withdrawal clauses found in Spanish league contracts.

Ronaldo is reported to have bought out his contract with Barcelona for 27.5 million but the Spanish Football Federation has refused to issue a transfer certificate on the grounds that such "buyouts" are valid for domestic transfers only.

FIFA rules state that a player cannot buy out his contract for the purposes of obtaining an international move.

The dispute has been further complicated by a recent European Commission statement that FIFA transfer regulations may contravene of European Union laws.

## No comment from Hollyfield

CAPE TOWN, July 10: World heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield, on holiday in South Africa, ducked comment on Wednesday on rival Mike Tyson's boxing ban and 3 million dollars fine for biting a chunk off his ear, reports Reuter.

Holyfield is on the phone to his lawyer, Jim Thomas, and then he's going out for dinner," an aide told reporters waiting for the champion.

Holyfield arrived in Cape Town on a private flight from East London, where his promotional coaching tour ended on Wednesday.

"No comment", he told reporters as he left East London.

After an hour-long game of cat and mouse with reporters, Holyfield was bundled into a minibus and driven off for a late dinner in the city.

The aide said Holyfield had nothing to add to his statement when he arrived in South Africa on Sunday and said that as a Christian he had forgiven Tyson for biting his ears during their June 28 championship bout.

The selection row is the second scandal to hit the Indian team in recent months following allegation by former Test player Manoj Prabhakar that an unnamed teammate offered him money to lose a match. The allegations are currently under investigation.

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