

## Sunil fans the flames

NEW DELHI, Aug 20: Sunil Dev, manager of the Indian cricket team on the tour of South Africa earlier this year, said yesterday he was convinced that players were involved in betting, aggravating the controversy already bedeviling the most popular game in the country, reports PTI.

"I have no definite information about who is involved, but from my long experience from the game I am convinced it is there. I couldn't catch any body," Dev, a former vice president of the Board of Control for Cricket in India told a private television channel after a meeting with Justice Y V Chandrachud, the one-man probe body appointed by the BCCI.

Justice Chandrachud who has already met all-rounder Manoj Prabhakar, who triggered off the controversy, Kapil Dev and others connected with the game, is expected to have meetings with members of the team after their return from Sri Lanka and submit his report in September.

Meanwhile, former BCCI president Madhavrao Scindia lashed out at the national cricket selectors, saying it was they who should be sacked and not the Indian captain Sachin Tendulkar.

"They have made a total hash of the selection process. It is unfortunate that people who never played Test cricket are sitting there (in the selection committee)," he told a press conference here.

Scindia, a former Union Minister and now a Congress working committee member, also suggested that a psychiatrist should be attached to the team.

## Milan's sweet revenge

MILAN, Aug 20: AC Milan defeated Juventus 3-1 in a highly competitive pre-season friendly on Tuesday, sinking the Italian champions with a devastating second half performance, reports Reuters.

The two teams last met earlier this year, in Serie A, with Juventus humiliating Milan 6-1.

AC Milan coach Fabio Capello said before Tuesday's clash that the game would be the first big test for his rebuilt side, which finished a lowly 11th in last season's championship.

The omens were not looking good at the end of the first half, with Juventus leading 1-0 thanks to a header from Antonio Conte in the 30th minute.

But Milan, playing at home before a huge 76,600-strong crowd, roared back in the second half with three goals in a stunning eight-minute assault on the Juventus defence.

Brazil's Andre Cruz opened the scoring in the 54th minute thanks to a beautifully struck volley close to the goalmouth. The minutes later Milan's new Dutch signing Patrick Kluyvert, made it 2-1 with another firmly-struck close range blow.

Liberian George Weah sealed Milan's win in the 62nd minute after some classy ball control left him free in the area to slot the ball behind the hapless Juventus keeper.

"This was a very important game because Juventus is our (main) adversary for the championship," Capello said after the emphatic win.

## Ascent of an Australian



LONDON, Aug 20 (Reuters). One common denominator unites the five Australian sides acknowledged this century as the best in the world during their era.

In 1921, Warwick Armstrong fielded two great strike bowlers in Ted McDonald and Jack Gregory and in 1948 Don Bradman unleashed Ray Lindwall and Keith Miller.

Richie Benaud turned to the left-handed Alan Davidson during his period as captain from 1958-64 while Ian Chappell had the fearsome Dennis Lillee and Jeff Thomson in the mid-1970s.

This year Mark Taylor, captain of the latest great Australian side, has a fast bowler worthy of comparison with the giants of the past in Glenn McGrath, who has emerged from the bush like so many before him to conquer the world.

McGrath, from the small New South Wales farming town of Narromine, moved to Sydney to seek his cricketing fortune.

Suspicious of big city ways, he lived for a while in a caravan, all the time moving up the grades in time honoured fashion with Sutherland, graduating to the state side and finally winning selection for Australia.

Two years ago McGrath, now 27, won international acclaim after Australia's historic series win over the West Indies in the Caribbean.

Ranked behind Craig McDermott, Damien Fleming and Paul Reiffel in the Australian pace attack, McGrath was thrust onto centrestage when McDermott and Fleming both returned home injured before the series began.

The tall, lean New South Welshman was a revelation. Bowling relentlessly straight he bounced all the West Indies players, including their feared fast bowlers, even though he knew his own rudimentary batting technique would be similarly tested.

His aggression and will power, matched by a similar bloody-minded approach at the batting crease from his state teammate Steve Waugh, was instrumental in West Indies loss.

ing their first series for 15 years and their first in the Caribbean since the 1972-73.

Again McGrath was the vital weapon in Taylor's armoury.

With confidence to match his technique, McGrath an-



GLENN McGrath

nounced publicly that he knew how to bowl to West Indies champion batsman Brian Lara. McGrath's plan, like his bowling technique as a whole, was essentially simple.

He switched to round the wicket against the Trinidadian left-hander bowled immaculate line-and-length with some movement off the pitch then. When Lara was sufficiently tempted wide and full outside the off-stump.

Although Lara presumably knew what was coming, he fell five times out of six to McGrath's sucker punch in the first three Tests during which the Australian took 21 wickets at 14 runs apiece.

With Lara neutralised, the series was won and Australia went on to confirm their supremacy in South Africa.

A cold, damp English spring was not the ideal environment to exhibit McGrath's skills and he did little in the one-day series, lost 3-0 for in the upset first Test defeat at Edgbaston.

Rain prevented Australia equalising the series at Lord's but it was here that the touring team began a renaissance, which led to their winning the

next three Tests in succession.

Unsurprisingly it was McGrath who sparked the renaissance.

Bowling from the pavilion end, McGrath took eight for 38 in England's first innings 77, the best figures ever by an Australian at Lord's as he rediscovered the virtues of line and length which had served him so well against the West Indies.

That Saturday evening, McGrath gave a brief bowling seminar.

"I was coming in to bowl and getting to the crease before I was ready to release the ball," he explained, "I was actually slowing down. I had a quick check on the things I should be doing."

"Dennis Lillee said he thought I lacked a bit of energy I put it down to the fact I wasn't hitting the crease."

McGrath's success, like that of his Australian teammates, is based on doing the simple things correctly.

He runs in straight, arms moving like a sprinter's in the style perfected by Lillee, takes a short delivery stride and bowls with a high, free action accompanied by a full swing of his arm.

"I just concentrate on bowling a good line and length on the off-stump or just outside," he said.

Like Lillee in his later years, McGrath does not bowl at full speed all the time but retains a wicked faster ball and deceptive slow delivery.

"I think of myself as more of a seam bowler than a swing bowler."

McGrath reserves his best deliveries for the best opponent identifying Mike Atherton in this series as the biggest threat, and delivering some unplayable balls to the England captain.

He also has a keen sense of history, as befits a bowler following in Lillee's footsteps.

In 33 Tests he has taken 148 wickets at an average of 23.77 reaching 100 wickets in 23 Tests, only one more than Lillee.

"Reaching 200 wickets will be my next goal," he said. "I would like to average five wickets a Test."

## Oval Test from today

Sports Reporter

Tasmanian all-rounder Shaun Young makes his Test debut at The Oval as Australia and England meet in the last of the six-match Ashes series today.

The tourists are leading 3-1 unassailable.

## Inter-medical TT Manash lifts singles title

Sports Reporter

Parash and Rabi Rajshahi Medical College lifted the Sheikh Russell Smriti Inter-medical and dental college table tennis doubles title beating host Dhaka Dental College pair of Fazal and Mobasser in the final yesterday.

In singles, Manash from City Dental College and Parash from Rajshahi emerged champion and runner-up.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader witnessed the finals as chief guest and gave away trophies.

A total of 50 players from seven medical colleges and three dental colleges took part in the four-day competition organised by Dhaka Dental College Students' Union.

## Premier kabaddi results

Sports Reporter

The Seniors of Bangladesh Rifles and the Reds of Bangladesh Police were off to a flying start in the fourth Premier Kabaddi league when they defeated their respective opponents by flattering margins at the court adjacent to the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

In the inaugural match of the day, the Bangladesh Rifles seniors posted a facile 63-14 point win over Bangladesh Ansars.

The riflemen led the first session by 42-6 points.

In the second engagement, the Reds of Bangladesh Police cantered past Fire Service and Civil Defence 58 RC by 75-15 points.

Earlier, the president of Kabaddi Federation Habibur Rahman Molla inaugurated the meet.

## Inter-varsity TT, badminton from Sept 13

Sports Reporter

The inter-university badminton and table tennis championships, which was scheduled to begin at the Dhaka University Gymnasium in first week of September, has been deferred for a week.

According to Dhaka University press release on Wednesday, the championships while now start from September 13.

All the universities of the country have been asked to send their entries to the Physical Education Department before September 4.

## 2 Indian athletes banned for doping

NEW DELHI, Aug 20: Two Bengali athletes, Itika Halder and Rinku Arita, were banned for two years by the Amateur Athletic Federation of India (AAFI) today for testing positive in drug test, reports PTI.

They tested positive for anabolic steroid nandrolone during the West Bengal Amateur Athletic Championships held in February 1997.

The AAFI medical committee banned the duo from participating in any competition held directly or indirectly by the federation for a period of two years.



Members of the South Korean contingent wave their national flags during the march past in the opening ceremony of the World University Games in Sicily, Italy on Aug 19.

— AFP/UNB photo

## Sampras feels upbeat



the rest of the field Tuesday, reports Reuters.

Speaking in a telephone news conference call just hours after being made the tournament's top seed, the four-time US Open champion said he is entering the year's final Grand Slam tournament refreshed but with ample practice.

"My preparation has been pretty ideal. I had four weeks off after Wimbledon another played extremely well in winning Cincinnati, so I feel that I have had plenty of matches this summer," said Sampras, whose 13-match winning streak was snapped last week when he was beaten by Swede Magnus Larsson at Indianapolis.

The Open starts next Monday at the new Arthur Ashe Stadium.

Sampras is closing in on some illustrious tennis milestones if he can win the Open.

Having already won the Australian Open and Wimbledon crowns this season, the 26-year-old American can become the first man to win three Grand Slams in one season since Mats Wilander of Sweden in 1988.



PETE SAMPRAS

Sampras has won 10 Grand Slam titles — four US Opens, four Wimbledon, and two

Australian Opens. By winning one more Sampras can tie the hall of fame greats Rod Laver of Australia and Sweden's Bjorn Borg for second place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam singles titles won by a man. Australian Roy Emerson leads with 12.

"My juices start flowing when it comes to Grand Slam time. I put so much emphasis on the majors that when the first match comes I feel ready to play," said Sampras after going through a couple of practice sessions at the Arthur Ashe Stadium Court.

Sampras' ability to play his best at the majors has former world number one John McEnroe convinced that the Californian deserves to be thought of as one of the game's all-time greats.

"He seems to be the greatest all-around (player) with the power that he has got on his serve and the ability to hit off the ground," McEnroe in a telephone news conference earlier in the day. "I personally think he is way, way up there already with the greats."

For McEnroe there is no doubt who his pick is to win. "Obviously Pete is a heavy favourite," said McEnroe, a television commentator at the Open. "Beyond Pete, you are pretty much guessing."

## Korda skips Hamlet Cup

COMMACK, New York, Aug 20: Petr Korda of the Czech Republic, ranked 16th in the world, withdrew from the Hamlet Cup Tuesday because of a severely sprained left ankle, he is doubtful for next week's US Open, reports AP.

Korda, 29, seeded 16th for the US Open, was injured during a practice session Monday. He reached the quarterfinals of the 1995 US Open, his best finish in a Grand Slam.

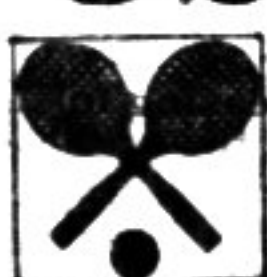
The previous year he withdrew from the tournament before it started because of a groin pull.

"I'm not sure how it happened," Korda said. "I may have stepped on a ball. All I remember is that I played a forehand down the line. Even my coach (Ivo Werner) didn't see anything. He was following my shot."

"If this were the US Open and not the Hamlet, I still wouldn't play. I don't want to risk further injury. I have some loose joints and my left ankle has always been the weakest. I always tape them when I play."

"The doctor told me not to go side-to-side. And to continue to get therapy. Right now I feel more hurt in my brain," he said. "I'm going to take it one day at a time. If I'm not ready 100 per cent, I'll withdraw. I don't want to play a few games and walk off. This was not a good time for it to happen."

## Martina, Pete top US Open seedings



the computer rankings when it announced the seedings today for this year's tournament, reports AP.

Two-time defending champion Pete Sampras and 16-year-old Martina Hingis were made the top seeds for the men's and women's singles.

In 1996, the US Open seeding committee caused an uproar when it seeded according to the factors of the Grand Slam tournaments are allowed to do, instead of the players' computer rankings. Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia protested his seeding by boycotting the tournament.

Kafelnikov is seeded third this year — the same as his ATP Tour computer ranking — behind Sampras and Michael Chang.

Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia is seeded fourth, followed by Thomas Muster of Austria and three Spaniards: Alex Corretja, Sergi Bruguera and Carlos Moya.

French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten of Brazil and Chile's Marcelo Rios round out the top 10.

Sweden's Thomas Enqvist is seeded 11th, followed by Felix Mantilla of Spain, 1989 US Open winner Boris Becker.

Australians Patrick Rafter and Mark Philippoussis, and Petr Korda of the Czech Republic.

The women's seedings also followed the ATP rankings, with two-time US Open winner Monica Seles, Jana Novotna, Iva Majoli of Croatia and South Africa's Amanda Coetzer make up the top 5.

Lindsay Davenport is seeded sixth, followed by Spain's Conchita Martinez, Germany's Anke Huber, France's Mary Pierce, Spain's Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, Romania's Irina Spirlea, Mary Joe Fernandez, Brenda Schultz-McCarthy of the Netherlands, Austria's Barbara Paulus, Romania's Ruxandra Dragomir and Kimberly Po of Rolling Hills, California.

Hingis and Sampras are seeking their third Grand Slam tournament titles of 1997, both having won the Australian Open in January and Wimbledon in July.

Hingis, who will be 17 on Sept. 30, becomes the youngest No. 1 at the US Championships since seeding was introduced in 1922. Tracy Austin was the previous youngest No. 1 seed in 1980 at the age of 17 years, 8 months.

Sampras, a four-time US Open champion, is the top seed at the year's final Grand Slam tournament for the third time in his career. The 1990, '93, '95 and '96 US Open winner, Sampras was seeded No. 1 in 1994 and 1996.

The two-week tournament begins Monday at the National Tennis Centre in Flushing Meadows, New York.

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It is hereby notified for all concerned that our client Dr. Md. Maniruzzaman Bhuiyan and Dr. Durjana Bhuiyan of FARABI GENERAL HOSPITAL House No. 257/L, Road No. 13/A (New), Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka has entered into an agreement for the purchase of the scheduled plot of land situated below with the owner's power of attorney holder Sk. Shahabuddin Ahmed. If any body has any objection or claim over the said land he is requested to contact the undersigned within 5 (five) days with written objection or claim.

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## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Ministry of Woman & Child Affairs Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

### APPOINTMENT NOTICE

Applications are invited from bonafide Bangladesh nationals for appointment on purely temporary basis to the undermentioned post of "Women Assistance Programme" managed by the Directorate of Woman Affairs under the Ministry of Woman & Child Affairs.

S No	Name of post & pay	Number of post	Age	Educational qualification and experience
1.	Medical Officer 4100-6500/-	1 (one)	21-30 years. In case of Departmental candidates, age is relaxable up to 35 years.	A) MBBS degree from any recognised university. B) Should have 2 years practical experience as Medical Officer at any hospital or clinic.

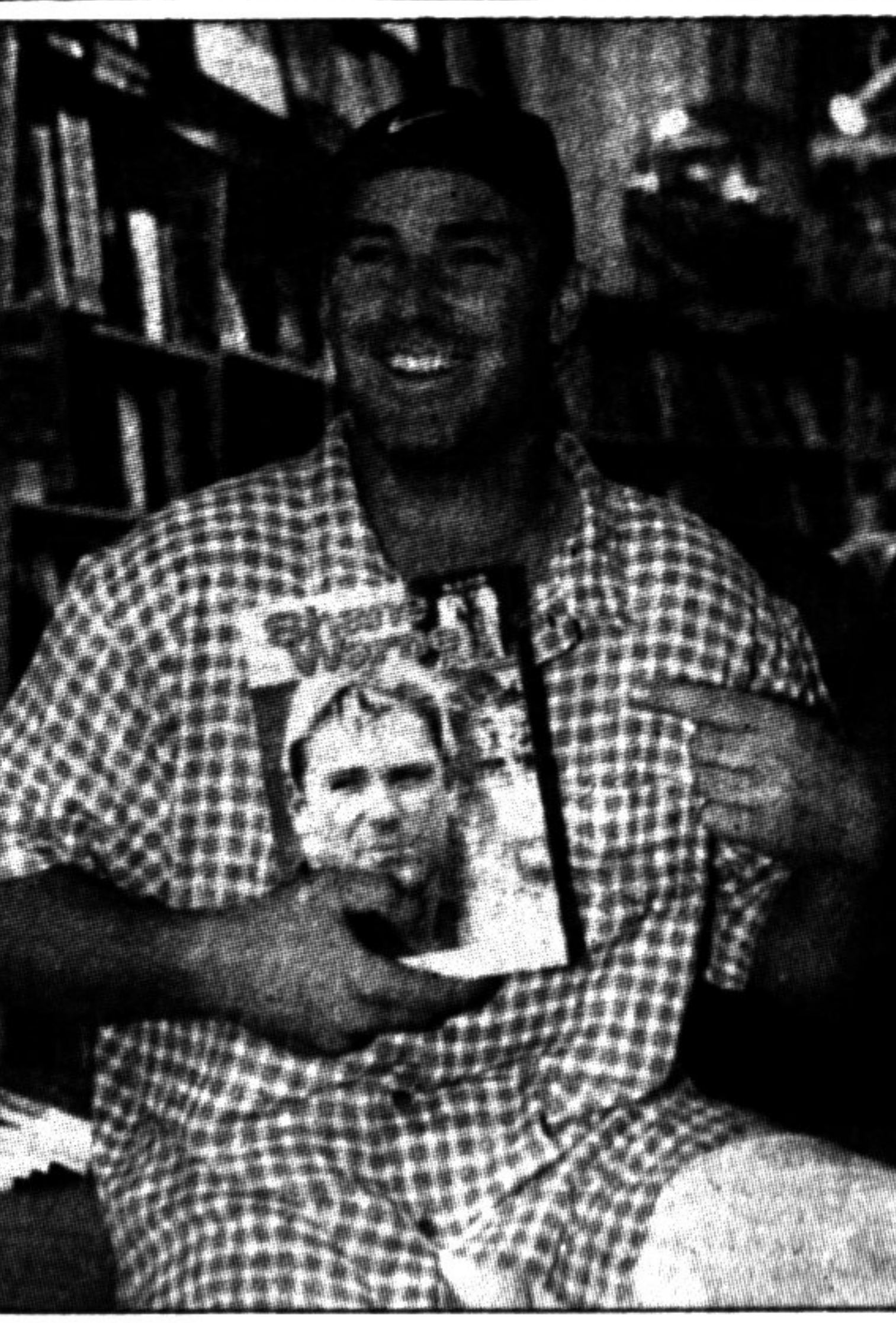
### Terms & Conditions:

- Self hand written application stating name, father's/husband's name, permanent address, present address, date of birth, age, nationality, religion, home district, educational qualification & experience etc. should reach the undersigned within 15(fifteen) days of publication of this notice during office hours. No application will be received after the prescribed time.
- The undermentioned papers should be enclosed with the application.
  - Recent 2 (two) copies passport size photos attested by first class gazetted officer.
  - Attested true copies of certificates as testimony of all educational qualification & experience.
  - Character certificate/attested true copy of certificate issued by a first class gazetted officer.
  - Character certificate/attested true copy of certificate issued by Union Parishad/Municipality Chairman/Word Commissioner.
- Name of post & home district should be superscribed on the envelope.
- Erroneous or incomplete application will be treated as cancelled.
- Candidates in service should submit their application through proper channel.
- No allowance will be admissible for taking part in written test & viva voce.
- Any kind of canvassing/recommendation will prove disqualification of candidate.
- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any application.
- As per Govt rules, quota system will be followed in matters of appointment.
- The post is purely temporary and will be non-existent with the conclusion of the project tenure (1995-2000).

Md Abu Solaiman Chowdhury

Deputy Secretary

Ministry of Woman & Child Affairs.



Australian ace leg-spinner Shane Warne points at his self-titled book as he poses for photographs before signing copies at a bookshop in London on Aug 19.

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## The Daily Star Entertainment Guide

### Thursday 21st August

#### BTV

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#### BBC

6:00am BBC World News 6:30 World Living: The Travel Show 7:00 BBC World News Inc World Business Report/Asia Today/24 Hours 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Focus: BBC World Debate 11:00 BBC Newsdesk 12:00 BBC Newsdesk 12:30 Hard Talk 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 World Focus: BBC World Debate 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Living: Airport 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Hard Talk 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World Living: The Travel Show 5:00 BBC Newsdesk 6:00pm BBC Newsdesk 6:30 World Focus: BBC World Debate 7:00

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### STAR SPORTS

7:00am Inside PGA Tour 7:30 Sports Unlimited 8:30 International Motorsports News 9:30 FIM World Championships British Grand Prix Highlights 11:00 High 5 III 11:30 ITU 12:30 This is the PGA Tour 1:30 ATP Tour Infinite Open 2nd Semi Final Highlights 3:00 Omega Tour 1997 Tour Review 4:00 T1 Series New Zealand v Australia 5:30 Watersports World 6:30 World Wrestling Federation Raw 8:30 ATP Tour Infinite Open Final Highlights 10:00 Sports Unlimited 11:00 US PGA Tour 1997 US PGA Championships Golf 1997 Day 3 Highlights 1:00 Marlboro League CNFL HL 1:30 World Wrestling Federation Raw 3:30 ATP Tour Infinite Open Final Highlights 5:00 Watersports World

### STAR PLUS

6:30am Ninaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:00 Business Agenda 9:30 Ninaad 10:30 The Wonder Years 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 ET TV 12:30 Simply Delicious: Fish 1:00 Nine to Five 1:30 Pickle Fences 2:30 The Bold & The Beautiful 3:00 Santa Barbara 4:00 The Crystal Maze 5:00 The Wonder Years 5:30 Manak's Ark 6:00 Dail Mein Kala 6:30 Kohra 7:00 Ek Din Ek Jeevan 7:30 Star News (Hindi) 8:00 Meri Awaz

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### ESPN

1:00 Kiana's Flex Appeal 1:30 Fitness Beach 2:00 Crunch Fitness 2:30 Sportscenter 3:30 Sportscenter: INTL Edition 4:00 NFL Yearbook: 1996 Detroit Lions 4:30 ESPN's Wednesday Night Baseball 7:30 World Volleyball GR. Ptx 1997 China Vs Japan 9:30 Cycling: 1997 Corestates Champs & Liberty Classic 10:00 Sportscenter: INTL Edition 10:30 Motorsport Asia 11:00 B3 Bikes, Blades & Boards 12:00 Billiards: 1997 ESPN Ultimate 9 Ball Challenge 1:00 9th Women's World Cup Qualifiers 1997 2:30 Motorsport Asia 2:55 TCCB Cricket: 1997 Cornhill Series 8th Test Day 1 Australia Vs England 1st Session 5:05 Sportscenter: INTL Edition 5:35 TCCB Cricket: 1997 Cornhill Series 6th Test Day 1 Australia Vs England 2nd Session 10:05 European Football Weekly 11:00 Cycling: 1997 Corestates Champs & Liberty Classic 11:25 Italian Football: Fiorentina Vs. Panathinaikos FC