

## Column One

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-79

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes at 8 pm.

Oct 3, '97

1 Who are the defending European soccer champions?

Barcelona Inter Barcelona

2 How many countries will take part in the World Youth Cup cricket?

13 14 15

3 How many titles has Pete Sampras won this year to date?

4 5 6

4 Which nation finished third in the SAFF Championship?

Sri Lanka Pakistan Nepal

5 For which team will cricketer Nannu play next season?

AKC MSC Biman

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EN-VITS  
ENERGY-RELEASING VITAMINS

SPORTS TALK

**Sanath Jayasuriya**  
(Sri Lankan explosive batsman)  
"No, I have not received any (marriage proposals) so far. I have to find my partner now."

On the marriage proposals he received after scoring 340 in Test cricket.

Valle fills  
vacancy

AACHEN, Germany, Sept 23: Louis del Valle of the United States became the new World Boxing Association (WBA) light-heavyweight champion Saturday when he stopped 34-year-old Dutch opponent Eddy Smulders for the vacant crown in the eighth round of a scheduled 12-round contest, reports AFP.

The referee called a halt to prevent Smulders, who had been floored in the seventh, from taking further unnecessary punishment.

**McEnroe wins**

PARIS, Sept 23: John McEnroe defeated Johan Kriek 6-4, 6-4 to win the fifth Compagnie Senior tournament Sunday in Paris, which is part of the ATP Senior Tour of Champions, reports AFP.

Mansour Bahrami of Iran downed Henri Leconte of France 6-4, 3-6, 10-6 to win third place.

The tournament took place in Paris at the Croix Catelan in the Bois de Boulogne in western Paris.

The tournament brought together eight players of the world's best seniors for the four-day event.

## Show cause notice on Nannu, Athar?

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) reportedly has served show cause notice on country's two national stalwarts Minhazul Abedin Nannu and Athar Ali Khan, but the reasons are yet to be known.

The cricket board is reported to have served the notice on disciplinary grounds last week. But the official available at the BCB office yesterday refrained from making any clear comment on the issue.

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and Athar were served with the show cause notice. But don't know much of it as I was out-stationed that time," said BCB secretary Tanjeel Ahsan Saad to the correspondent last night.

Saad expressed his veiled ignorance when asked why BCB did not disclose the sensational issue to the press.

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kicked up a mixed reaction at that time. Both Nannu and Athar were left out from Bangladesh's Asian Cricket Council (ACC) Trophy squad. But the disciplinary measure was eventually put paid when the Bangladesh team won the trophy sans those old guards.

But this time around the hide-and-seek policy of the BCB, who were supposed to clear the air about the action immediately after the notice was delivered, eventually surprised the cricket lovers of the country.

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## Phil Russell in capital

Sports Reporter

Phil Russell arrived in the capital yesterday to give a final touch to his unfinished job in the Dhaka Stadium.

The South African groundsman, who had earlier come to Dhaka last April to prepare a host of sporting wickets, will resume his work at the national stadium, where as many as ten pitches including five for matches were awaiting for the final preparation.

Weather permitting, the South African expert is expected to prepare the wickets by the first week of October.

Meanwhile, the BCB, who sought the technical assistance from abroad in their bid to prepare lively wickets, is hopeful to play the final round matches of the Dammal Smriti tourney at the big bowl.

The season's curtain-raiser will start from October 1. The first round matches however will be held at different city venues other than Dhaka Stadium.

ZURICH, Sept 23: FIFA will produce its own weekly television magazine programme beginning next year, the world soccer governing body said on Monday, reports Reuter.

The FIFA TV series, which will be produced by ISL Television Productions, will include action and updates from international competitions, coverage of World Cup qualifying matches, player profiles, features, some of which will include footage never previously shown, as well as commentary on current issues.

"FIFA TV will be the first genuinely international football magazine programme, which will balance coverage of the key issues affecting major football markets with the progress of the developing football nations," FIFA general secretary Sepp Blatter said in a press release.

Each of the 50 episodes will be 26 minutes long, the first will be shown next January.

Tim survives  
a scare

TOULOUSE, Sept 23: British number two Tim Henman was taken to three hard fought sets here on Monday before beating Daniel Vacek 6-4, 1-6, 6-3 in the first round of the 400,000 dollars ATP tournament — and blamed it on going to sleep, reports AFP.

The 23-year-old Henman, who was awarded a wildcard entry but seeded second, beat the 65th ranked Vacek in one hour and 38 minutes but was fortunate not to have gone out in straight sets.

The Briton made a shaky start by losing the first three games to Vacek. But the left-hander made a brilliant comeback winning six of the next seven games to take the first set 6-4.

Henman, ranked 20th in the world, lost all control in the second set barely getting a first serve in and the Czech, who had also taken him to three sets in the New Haven tournament this year, eased away to level the match.

"I fell asleep for a while and I didn't really concentrate on my serve. I got myself into a difficult situation but I still felt that I was playing well," Henman said.

However, Henman, who said he had a blister on his big toe in the third set, bounced back in the deciding set and benefited from a more effective service while a tiring Vacek failed to keep his game at the same level to take the set and the match.

Henman, who said he will play in the 1 million dollar Basile tournament after Toulouse, will next face German Nicolas Kiefer, like the Briton a Wimbledon quarter-finalist this year but ranked 71 in the world, who beat Sweden's Patrik Federiksson 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

"I met Kiefer two years ago in a challenger tournament which he won in three sets," Henman said.

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