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Competition-80

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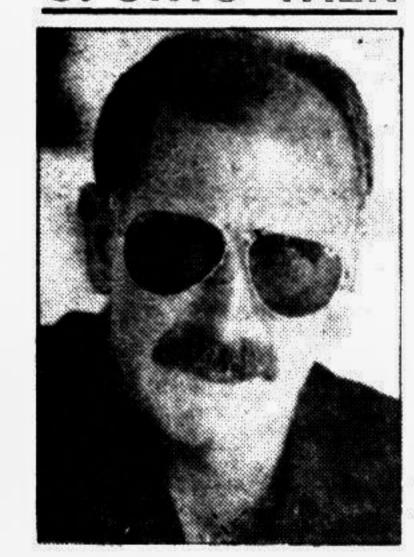
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## Dennis Lillee

(Former Australian fast bowler)

"If I were a selector, with all due respect, I wouldn't pick Mark (Taylor) because he doesn't to be in as a batsman" On Taylor's future as cap-

tain.

### **BSF** officials leave for Sun City today

A two-member Bangladesh Squash Federation delegation led by its president Muhammad Faruk Khan leaves for Sun City. South Africa today to attend a week-long conference of the World Squash Federation. The congress begins tomorrow, says

a press release. This year's conference assumes special importance in view of the federation's endeavour to enter the sport in the programme of the Sydney Olympic

### Balbo's 100th

ROME, Oct 5: A S Roma's Abel Balbo, the Argentine striker, scored his 100th career goal in the Italian First Division soccer league Sunday. finding the target in his club's game against visiting Napoli, reports AP. Balbo, 31, added to his own

record for Serie A goals by a foreigner by slotting in a leftfooted shot in the 50th minute to give Roma a 3-0 lead in the match at Olympic Stadium.

He's played in 183 Serie A games, with 68 goals in 123 games during five seasons with Roma. Before that, he tallied 32 goals in 60 games with Udinese in the 1989-90 and 1992-93 sea-

Balbo also spent two seasons in the second division with Udinese, scoring 33 goals from 1**99**1-93.

### JFA fires Kamo

TOKYO, Oct 5: Japan has sacked national soccer team manager Shu Kamo after Saturday's disappointing 1-1 World Cup qualifier draw with Kazakhstan, officials said, reports Reuter.

Football Association of Japan officials made the decision after the match in Almaty. with Japan's hopes for its first World Cup berth now hanging by a thread.

"I believe this move is the best way to turn things around." JFA president Ken Naganuma told reporters after meeting Kamo and assistant national team coach Takeshi Okada.

Okada, will take control of the side when they travel to Uzbekistan to play a qualifier on Saturday.

Naganuma said JFA officials were disappointed in substitutions made by Kamo in all four qualifying games and in the team squandering leads to South Korea last week and to the Kazakh side in the final seconds of play.



Players and officials of the 17-member Bangladesh cricket team which called on State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader at his office yesterday. The squad left for Nairobi last night. - Star photo

Astle c and b J Rennie

Home c and b G Flower

Harris not out

Vettori not out

Connor

Bowling:

J Rennie

B Strang

P Strang

A Whittall

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a Flower run out

G Whittall b Astle

A Campbell run out

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J Rennie run out

A Whittall not out

Extras: (lb-5, w-2)

8-176; 9-188.

Bowling:

O'Connor

Larsen

Cairns

Harris

Vettori

McMillan

Series tied 1-1.

Astle

runs.

G Flower c Astle b Cairns

P Strang c Spearman b Vettori

C Evans c Larsen b Vettori

G Rennie e Vettori b Larsen

Total: (all out in 44.5 overs)

Fall of wickets: 1-63; 2-92; 3-

116; 4-125; 5-126; 6-140; 7-166;

Result: New Zealand won by 83

B Strang c and b Vettori

G Flower

Evans

Parore b B Strang

Extras (lb-4, w-6)

Cairns c G Whittall b A Whittall

McMillan c A Whittall b B Strang 66

Spearman c Campbell b B Strang 0

Fall of wickets: 1-58; 2-147;

Did not bat: G. Larsen, S O'

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3-164; 4-214; 5-263; 6-264; 7

Fleming c A Whittall b Evans

Total: (for seven wickets in 50

# Kiwis level the rubber

squared the threecricket series after beating Zimbabwe by 83 runs in the third and final match today, reports

After posting an imposing 294-7 off their 50 overs the Kiwis bowled home team out for 211 with 5.1 overs to spare. Zimbabwe had won the sec-

ond game by three wickets. The first international was tied. The Zimbabweans got off to flying start in their chase with

the Flower brothers Andy and Grant flying the bowling to all corners and putting on 63 for the first wicket off only 59 Grant then skied Chris Cairns to mid-off where Nathan

Astle took an easy catch for 24. Guy Whittall then joined Andy and kept the run-rate of over five going with a 29 run stand for the second. But when Andy Flower be-

came one of four run-out victims after scoring 44 with seven fours in just over an hour the Zimbabweans came unstuck. They lost four wickets for 48 runs between the 16th and 27th

over and never really recovered. New Zealand made up for the modest 185-7 which lost them the second one-dayer on Saturday in belligerent fashion.

One hundred and 20 runs came from boundaries alone with no less than 10 sixes and 15 fours coming off the bat Cairns, Craig McMillan and skipper Stephen Fleming all cracked half centuries as the

Kiwis posted one of the highest totals on this ground. Cairns promoted to open the batting, hit the top-score of 71 off 78 balls with nine fours and

proval to several experimental

MARK TAYLOR

changes to the laws of limited-

over cricket which were tried

out in a domestic one-day

the most of the revolutionary

laws to help New South Wales

compile a record total of 319 for

Waugh, in particular, made

match today, reports Reuter.

SYDNEY, Oct 5:

Australia captain

Mark Taylor and

vice-captain Steve

Waugh gave a cau-

tious stamp of ap-

 He shared in a breezy 58-run partnership for the first wicket match one-day with Astle (33) before putting on 89 for the second with Fleming

off 105 balls The New Zealand skipper, lucky to survive when given not out after edging John Rennie behind when he had still not got off the mark, went on to score 62 off 178 balls in just under two hours with four fours and a

Fleming had also put on 50 in 51 balls with McMillan who blasted a rapid 66 off 70 balls in just over an hour with five sixes, including two off successive Rennie deliveries.



CAIRNS m-o-m

Cairns won the man-of-thematch award while Chris Harris won the man-of-the-series

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the third and final one-day international between Zimbabwe and New Zealand on Sunday:

Mixed bag on Aussie test

seven from their 50 overs

North Sydney Oval.

### Cricketers off to Kenya

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh cricketers left the capital last night for Kenya in a hope to avenge the night marish experience over there.

The seventeen-member squad, led by Akram Khan, will have a 12-hour stopover at Dubai en route to Nairobi. Bangladesh, who toured Kenya twice earlier, will participate in a triangular one-day tourney. which also includes latest Testplaying nation Zimbabwe along with the hosts.

Bangladesh, who never won against the hosts on Kenyan soil, will feature in the tournament opener on October 10.

The national team which toured Kenya last time returned home with a humiliating ouster from the ICC Trophy championship which had even tually shattered Bangladesh's dream of playing in the World Cup for the first time.

But this time around, with the ICC Trophy under the belt. Bangladesh promised to offer their opponents a good exciting cricket. Bangladesh coach Gordon Greenidge however ex pressed his guarded optimism about the chances of his boys.

We did not have any practice match before this tour and the team played only three international matches since we won the ICC Trophy," he said The Bangladesh team expects to play at least one practice match before the tournament starts Friday

Meanwhile, Kenyans, who went down to Bangladesh in the ICC meet in Malaysia last April, took an extensive preparation for the tournament They toured South Africa, played one-day and first-class matches on the home soil against New Land last month, right now they are having some warm-up matches against a

### Kenya beat N Transvaal

NAIROBI, Oct 5: A Kenya Cricket Association XI beat South African limited-overs Northern champions Transvaal by four wickets in a friendly match here Saturday. reports AFP.

Light showers interrupted play forcing officials to reduce the encounter to 37 overs. The tourists won the toss but were all out in 36.5 overs for a total of 190. Kenya replied with 193 for six with a ball to spare.

### JCM defeat Army Eleven

NEW DELHI, Oct 5: Bangladesh Armed Forces eleven lost 0-2 to defending champions Jagjit Cotton Mills (JCM) in their first match of the Durand football tournament at the Ambedkar Stadium here today, reports BSS.

The first half ended goalless. In the second half, the JCM managed to penetrate the Bangladesh defence through Nigerian Emeka in the 21st minute. Twelve minutes later he doubled the margin. In the other match, Mohun

Bagan beat Indian Army 2-1.

# 'Mask games'

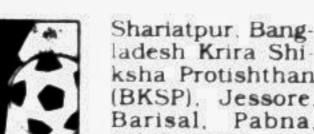
BANGKOK, Oct 5: Athletes from Vietnam to the Philippines who are competing in next week's South East Asian Games in Jakarta are being told to add some unusual new equipment - face masks, reports Reuter. Team officials and the ath-

letes are preparing for the worst as they head to Indonesia which has been covered in a layer of smog and haze over the past month due to raging forest and ground fires in various parts of the country. SEA Games officials in

4,300 athletes, say they do not expect problems from the haze as it has not really affected the Indonesian capital But a blanket of haze, produced by the fires, arrived in Jakarta for the first time last

smog for the next two weeks. Sports officials from many

## Jamalpur boys run risk Sports Reporter



ladesh Krira Shi ksha Protishthan (BKSP). Jessore. Barisal, Pabna, Nilphamari and Bandarban moved into the zonal finals of the

Biman U-14 national football championship eliminating their respective semifinal opponents at different venues across the country yesterday. But Jamalpur, who beat

Sherpur by a lone goal in a Mymensingh zonal semifinal, are likely to be striped off their victory for fielding an overaged player

Sherpur, in an immediate appeal to the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) claimed that Nasiruddin, who scored the all-important goal for Jamalpur in the 16th minute, had played in the same zone last According to the existing

bye-laws, no player will be enti-

tled to play twice in the tournament. And if, the BFF uphold the claim of Sherpur, the vanquished will move into the final at the expense of Jamalpur. Meanwhile, in Noakhali, after a violence-marred encounter on Saturday which left

hundreds injured, tensions appeared to have subsided to normalcy as Bandarban recorded a 3-1 win over Feni in an absorbing battle. Although Feni took the lead

in the very first minute through their midfielder Anwar, Bandarban had the last laugh with

Iqbal. Jony and Aloke notching one goal apiece within the space of 19 minutes.

In Narayanganj, a 20th minute strike from Jony throttled Shariatpur to the final with a lone goal victory over zonal final on October 7 Gazipur. Shariatpur will take on Munshiganj in the final tomorrow. The winners will earn for a passage into the next a passage in the 10-team final round which, apart from the Chuadanga. eight zonal champions, also includes holders Dhaka and hosts

### BHF calls up 26 Sports Reporter

The Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHF) has called up 26 players for the forthcoming Surjit Singh Memorial tournament, an annual event in the Indian hockey calendar.

Cox's Bazar.

The selected players are -Shamim Ahmed, Mohammed Javed, Rasel Khan Bappi, Mamunur Rashid, Isa Mia, Ishtaq Ahmed Shipu, Rabiuddin Ahmed, Khurshid Alam, Shahidullah Khokon, Zahirul Islam Mitul, Rafiqunnabi, Mahaboob Harun, Musa Miah, Ashiquzzaman, Tutul Kumar Nag. Shahidullah Titu. Miraj. Mahabubul Ahsan Rana, Mohammed Sadeq, Rafiqul Islam Kamal, Sheikh Ramizuddin, Shamsuzzman Khokon Rubel. Mashudur Rahman Shuvo, Ariful Haq Prince and Siam-e-Noor.

They players have been asked to report at the BHF office at 7 am today.

Meanwhile, in Manikgani, BKSP pulled off a sensational 5-4 goal-feast against Gopalganj. The boys of the lone sports institution of the country will

now take on Munshiganj in the Away in Jessore, the hosts set up a final clash with Kushtia

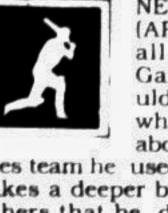
round with a 4-0 whitewash of The biggest margin victory on the day was due to the brilliance of Jessore's striker Noor Mohammed, who struck twice in the 34th and 62nd minute respectively. While Anup opened the account in the 26th minute

and Kabir added the third midway through the second half. But it was Kalu Miah, who seized the limelight with a hattrick in hosts Nilphamari's 4-1 triumph over Dinajpur. Nilphamari will now take on Gaibandha in the final on October 7.

In Jaipurhat, Pabna blanked Rajshahi 3-0 to set up a final clash with Natore on October 8. In a lop-sided affair, Mannan gave Pabna a 26th minute lead before Mahmud doubled the margin in the 43rd minute. Jahangir then sealed the fate of the match shooting home at the stroke of the final whistle.

In Barisal, the hosts recorded an identical 3-0 win over Pirojpur with Riaz scoring twice and Rahat notching the other. Barisal will take on Bagerhat in the zonal final tomorrow.

#### Sobers sad about WI's fall NEW YORK, Oct 5 Hooper had promise, but they



(AP): Legendary all-rounder Sir Gary Sobers' shoulders drop a bit when he is asked about the West Indies team he used to captain. He

takes a deeper breath and tells others that he doesn't see the squad's decline in recent years reversing. "All teams rise and fall, and the fall of the West Indies was

inevitable," Sobers says. "The West Indies as not even looked to rebuild. The West Indies are still recycling the same players. They're bringing in the same players over and over again." Considered the greatest allrounder in the history of the game, the 61-year-old Sober's

spends his time now boosting

tourism for his native Barba-

This week he was in New York to promote the Caribbean island as a destination for tourists, as a sports training site and to stump for the country's varied sports competitions, such as his own youth cricket tournament in July.

But wherever he goes, the discussion always leads back to cricket and the state of the West Indies team.

With players like Viv Richards, Desmond Haynes and Gordon Greenidge, the West dominated internacricket into the early

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'90s. But as they retired, the West Indies slowly slipped, until Australia took over the unofficial world crown with their Test series victory in 1995 in the Caribbean. "We as cricketers under-

stand that a team won't stay at the top," Sobers said. "We've lost players like Greenidge, Haynes



SIR GARY SOBERS

and Richards. When you lose players like these all in 4-5 years, it's difficult to lose them and still win. If you lose them you're going to fall.

"But we haven't made preparations to fill the gaps. We kept playing the same old players because we were winning. We've been told players like (Gus) Logie. (Keith) Arthurton and (Carl)

in 1975 by the Queen Elizabeth at the early age of 39, Sobers sees the honour as his greatest accomplishment, saying it acknowledged his entire career

Bestowed the rank of knight

never developed.

but also his gentlemanly conduct off the wicket. But he is not shy in criticizing the West Indies Cricket Board (WICB). He left its development committee because he "didn't like" the panel.

"In seven years, the West Indies has not beaten anybody," Sobers said. "Teams have lost to the West Indies. They have set a target of 136 runs but teams don't reach that. That's not winning. But (the WICB)

can't see that. "If you have to lose, it is better to lose with a new crop."

Although Sobers has no formal ties to the West Indies or the Barbados cricket boards. he has worked with the players at the invitation of coaches and captains. And it is unclear whether he is campaigning for any official role.

"It doesn't look like (the WICE) are interested in doing it," Sobers says referring to a complete revamp of the team. "When certain players are dropped, they just bring back

others. "I have criticised them all the time in the papers, but nobody pays any attention to it."

Scene from yesterday's fourth round of the Open FIDE rating tournament at the NSC chess room. Star photo

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South Korea's Choi Young-soo holds the trophy after retaining his World Boxing Association (WBC) junior title in Tokyo yesterday. - AP/UNB photo

against South Australia in a Steve and his twin brother Mark both took full advantage state representative match at of the new rules with an in-Waugh said the new laws enspired batting display in today's match.

tainly a lot of runs scored."

couraged batsman to play aggressively, but Taylor said he was concerned the rules would force spin bowlers out of the abbreviated version of the game. The law changes, which in-

clude new fielding restrictions and the use of player substitutions, are being tested in the Australian one-day state series as a way of increasing spectator interest in domestic limited overs cricket. The new fielding rules force

teams to keep all but three of their players within a 30-metre

radius of the wicket between the 16th and 30th overs, in the hope of encouraging players to hit over the top The substitution laws allow teams to select a 12-man squad

and swap players around at any stage of the match. In effect, the rule means teams can replace a bowler with a pinch-hitter when the side is batting, or replace a batsman with a specialist bowler when

the team is in the field. "I guess the new rules suit the batters more than the bowlers," Waugh said. "But it was a good day's cricket, there was cerThe pair came together with

STEVE WAUGH the score at 70 for two, but turned the match NSW's way with a quickfire 141-run part-

nership off just 110 balls. Mark top-scored with 76 while Steve, who also took two catches and a vital wicket to win the man-of-the-match award, smashed 72 off as many "Mark hit them sweet. He

used the new rule to his advan-

tage. He knew there were only

three guys out and he was just looking to his every ball for four," Taylor said. NSW's total of 319 was their highest in domestic one-day cricket and just six runs short of the biggest score by any team

in the state competition. South Australia also found scoring easy when they went to the crease, but fell 37 runs short after being bowled out for 282.

### Perkins at a low ebb

SYDNEY, Oct 5: Australian Kieren Perkins has admitted he is running out of time to defend his 400 and 1,500 metre freestyle titles at next year's World Championships in Perth, reports Reuter. Perkins, a two-time Olympic champion over 1,500m

and world record holder over

400m, 800m, and 1,500m failed

to make the 200m final at to-

day's Australian trials, finish-

ing a lowly 13th overall. Although the 200m is Perkins' least favourite distance, he now needs to finish either first or second in this week's 400m and 1,500m, finals just to make the Australian team for the January 8-18 World Championships.

# in Jakarta!

Jakarta, host of the October 11-19 event involving more than

week and the country's national meteorology and geophysics agency predicted the city's air quality would be affected by

of the 10 Southeast Asian nations participating in the biennial event said although the smog has not been a major problem in Jakarta, they plan to be prepared.

# CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer Brosnan Francisco newspa-10 McNally's 28 Location 36 Perspec-CRYPTOQUIP CXXU Blanc and

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letter stands for another. If you think that X equals Q, it 44 Festive 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.

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one