Column One

SPORTS TALK

Gordon Cuthbert Greenidge

(Bangladesh cricket coach)

"You can lose a match, but we have been losing in a disappointing way. We need to look into the future and rethink our strategy and make changes ... some may be considered drastic."

After Bangladesh lost to Kenya in a President's Cup match.

Boost sports WHiZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-81

✓ **Tick the Correct Answers**

Competition closes at 8 pm, Oct 31, '97

1	Who holds the women's 10,000m run world record?		
	Wang	Ottey	Torrence
2	Who was the man-of-the-match in the Pakistan-South Africa first Test at Rawalpindi?		
	Naqvi	Saqlain	Azhar
3	Who won the Heineken Open?		
	Courier	Gustafsson	Kiefer
4	Who lifted the Open FIDE rating title?		
	Zia	Rani	Riffat
5	What was Bangladesh's position in the KL Sixes cricket tourney?		
	First	Second	Third

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BOOST WHiZZ KID-80 winner

Md Towhidul Islam Shovan

University Lab School and College

(Remember to bring your ID card and a passport size photograph while collecting the winner's prize from the Sport Desk of The Daily Star on October 22 at 7:30 pm).

WHiZZ KID-80 correct answers

1. Who clinched the U-17 soccer World Cup?
   Ans. Brazil
2. Who was the man-of-the-tournament in this year's Sahara Cup?
   Ans. Saurav
3. Who lifted the Grand Slam Cup this year?
   Ans. Sampras
4. Who are the Mahanagari Cup soccer champions?
   Ans. Muktijoddha
5. Which company will sponsor the '99 cricket World Cup?
   Ans. Pepsi

Abahani begin in style

Sports Reporter

Holders Abahani got off to a flying start in the Damal Smriti tournament with a comfortable seven-wicket victory over City Club in the inaugural match at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium as the local cricket season got started yesterday.

In a low-scoring first round Group A affair, Abahani, who were chasing a paltry City Club total of 79 in 50 overs, lost three wickets before sailing home with almost 30 overs to spare.

CITY CLUB: 79 all out in 32.2 overs (Somin 16, Rashed 16, Santosh 11; Montu 2/9, Jakir 2/12, Gem 2/16, Naimur 2/19)
ABAHANI KC: 81 for three in 20.4 overs (Al-Shahriar 30, Naimur 20 n.o; Uzzal 1/6)
Result: Abahani won by seven wickets.

Although the Dhanmondi outfit, who missed the services of their three regular players including skipper Akram Khan, Sheikh Salauddin and Khaled Masood for their national duty, suffered an early setback losing both the openers Azam Iqbal (0) and Imran Hamid Partho (12) at the initial stage of the innings, it was two middle orders Al-Shahriar Rokon and Naimur Rahman Durjoy who with a short but solid 37-run third-wicket partnership, paved Abahani's way.

Rokon, who contributed highest 30 off 60 balls which included four boundaries, was the last man to go with the scoreboard reading 71 after being caught behind of a Russell delivery in the 19th over.

Naimur, the makeshift Abahani skipper, then partnered wicketkeeper Rokon Junior to collect the required runs in next two overs without any further mishaps.

Naimur, a national team discard who was one of the key members of the ICC Trophy champion squad, was unbeaten on 20 off 30 balls while Rokon Junior was not out on two.

Earlier, put into bat on a flat Dhanmondi pitch, City Club were bundled out for 79 in 32.2 overs. Middle order bat Simon and number ten Rashed scored 16 runs apiece while opener Santosh (11) was the other City batsman to reach double figures.

Most of the six Abahani bowlers were quite impressive. Right-arm spinner Monirul Islam Montu, new ball bowler Jakir Hossain, skipper Naimur and left-arm spinner Saifullah Khan Gem captured two wickets each while pacers Ashfaq Ali Rahat and Iqbal Hossain shared the other two.

In their next match on October 22, Abahani will meet Victoria Sporting Club at the same venue.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Mohammedan SC vs Bangladesh Railway (City Club)
Kalabagan KC vs Bangladesh Boys Club (DCS)

Nat'l boat race today

John Player Gold Leaf 22nd national boat race competition will be held today at 2.00 pm on the Buriganga near Bangladesh-China Friendship Bridge at Postogola, reports BSS.

Bangladesh Olympic Association president and Army Chief of Army Staff Lt General Mohammad Mahbubur Rahman is expected to inaugurate the competition.

Hugh E Tweed, managing director, Bangladesh, Tobacco Company will be present as the special guest.

A total of 80 boats from different districts and clubs will participate in six events.

Abahani batsman Al-Shahriar looks back after being caught behind by City Club's Santosh off a Russell delivery during their opening 18th Damal Smriti cricket tournament clash at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

Goellner gets rid of Henman

LYON, France, Oct 17: British number two and eighth seed Tim Henman crashed out of the 750,000-dollar ATP Tour event here Thursday, losing 6-3, 6-4 in barely an hour to Germany's Marc-Kevin Goellner, reports AFP.

The 23-year-old Henman, who has secured two tour wins on the circuit this season while also reaching two finals, appeared curiously out of sorts against Goellner, six foot five and playing in his trademark back to front baseball cap.

A bemused Henman found himself up against a man at the top of his game with the big German serving superbly throughout, wrapping up the opening set with ease with a break in the sixth game before establishing a 4-2 lead in the second against his opponent by breaking for 2-1.

It was only then that Henman, ranked 18 in the world and averaging more than eight aces per match on the circuit this season, finally managed his first of the evening to get back to 4-3.

But the German, ranked just 61 on the ATP computer, closed out the Wimbledon quarter-finalist again to serve out for the match at 5-4.

After going 30-0 behind, Henman pulled off a brilliant crosscourt return to claw his way back to 30-15 but then netted after scampering across for a Goellner forehand hit short.

On her resulting match point, the German suddenly betrayed a hint of nervousness as he double faulted for the third time.

But having faulted again, he then hammered a superb stopping double-fisted return down the line to kill of any hope Henman had of making a last ditch recovery against the man he beat in Basle just two weeks ago.

It was a bitter blow for Henman, who made the semifinals here last year and who had fully expected at least to repeat that showing this time round instead of failing even to reach the quarters.

Second-seed Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia earlier beat Dutchman Afernon Wieber 6-3, 6-4 and will now play Goellner.

Fabrice Santoro of France just edged Richard Krajicek of the Netherlands 2-6, 7-6 (8/6), 7-6 (7/4) in a thrilling encounter — which had the crowd on their feet as the Frenchman retrieved an apparent lost cause.

Sixth seeded former Wimbledon champion Krajicek raced through the first set playing brilliant tennis but came unstruck thereafter as Santoro levelled with a brilliant return down the line at full stretch.

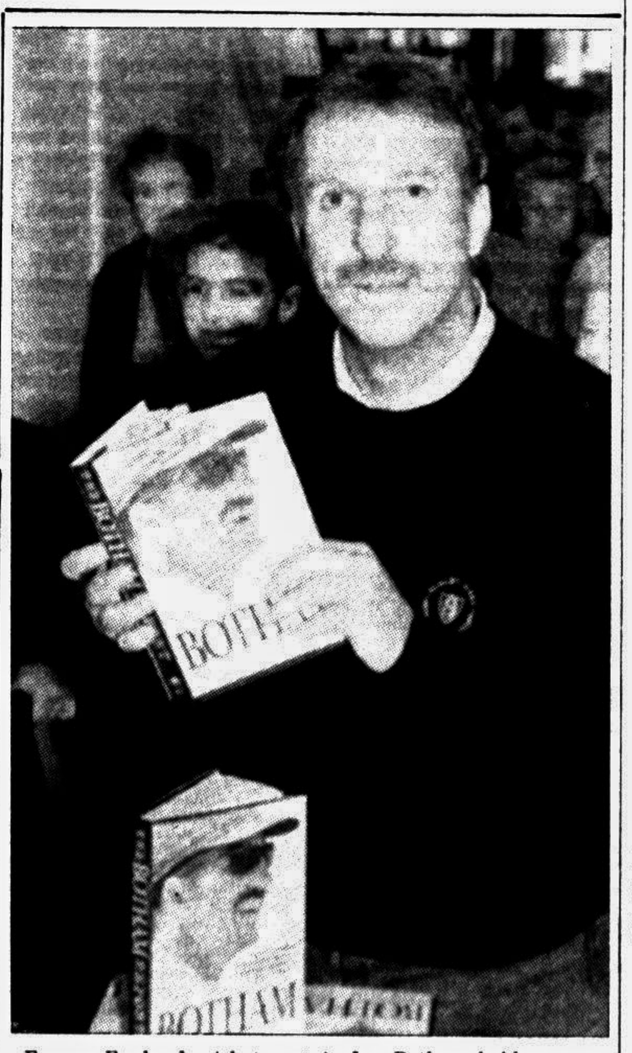
And the Frenchman called on his last reserves of energy to reach the last eight, moving crucially to 5-4 in the final set tiebreak as he just managed to get back an overhead Krajicek effort at full stretch before wrapping it up when the exhausted Dutchman scuffed a return into the net.

Santoro will next meet Spaniard Felix Mantilla in the last eight.

In other matches, Cedric Pioline of France ended the surprise run of his compatriot Arnaud Clement, winning 6-2, 6-2, against the man who ousted top-seeded Australian Patrick Rafter in the first round.

Pioline will now face seventh-seeded Australian Mark Philippoussis, who downed American Richey Reneberg 4-6, 7-6, 6-4.

Fifth-seed Thomas Enqvist of Sweden defeated American Todd Martin 7-5, 6-3 and will now play German prospect Tommy Haas, a 6-2, 6-3 winner against Spaniard Julian Alonso.



Former England cricket captain Ian Botham holds a copy of his latest biography "The Botham Report" at a Taunton book shop in Somerset on Thursday. — AP/UNB photo

Cricketers coming home

Sports Reporter

Winding up a disastrous campaign in the three-nation President's Cup tournament in Kenya, Bangladesh national cricket team returns home this morning. The Emirates' flight carrying the team, is expected to touch ZIA at 8:30.

In a poor exhibition of willow and leather the ICC Trophy holders lost all four encounters to make a humiliating exit from the double league meet.

They were beaten by arch-rivals Kenya by a huge 150 runs in the opening match and then suffered an eight-wicket defeat in the return match.

They also lost to Zimbabwe by 48 and 192 runs.

President's Cup first final today

Sports Reporter

Kenya face Zimbabwe in the first of the best-of-three President's Cup finals at the Nairobi Gymkhana Club ground today.

Both teams waltzed into final defeating ICC Trophy holders Bangladesh in the double-league basis first round. Zimbabwe go in as favourites having an all-win record.

AFP adds: The winning side will receive 20,000 dollars and the losers 15,000, said Sharad Ghai yesterday, the tournament's organising committee chairman.

He said the committee had secured the sponsorship from undisclosed sources who were pleased by the two one-day partnership records set by Kenyans in the preliminary matches.

Deepak Chudasama and Kennedy Otieno whacked 225 in a first-wicket partnership against Bangladesh while Thomas Odoyo and Tony Suji put on 119 runs against Zimbabwe for the seventh wicket.

BCB picks 15 for A team

Bangladesh Cricket Board has picked 15 players to form the A team which will take part in an exhibition match against the under-20s at the Dhaka Stadium tomorrow, reports UNB.

The players are: Halim Shah (captain), Mehrab Hossain Opee, Nahid (Agrani Bank), Shanewaz Kabir Shuvra, Atiar Rahman (wicketkeeper), Javed Omar Belim, Morshed Ali Khan Sumon, Al Shahriar Rokon, Manzurul Islam, Hasanuzzaman, Sharfuddawla Ibne Shahid Shikat, Zakir Hossain (Abahani), Jewel Hossain Mona, Azam Iqbal and Sajid Hasan.

The A team members been asked to report Rafiqul Islam on Sunday at 8:30 am at the stadium.

Uttara in hockey super league

Uttara Hockey Club earned the last super league spot after sharing points after playing one-all draw with Dhaka Wanderers in the Green Delta Insurance Second Division league at the Hockey Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

Shahid scored for the Wanderers in the 68th minute. Shakhawat netted for Uttara one minute later.

In the other match, Cantonian SC and Combined SC settled for a 1-1 draw.

Earlier, Cantonians, Combined SC, Shishu Kishore Sangha, Barnak Samaj, Raktim Sangha, Shantinagar and Wanderers SC qualified for the super league.

Patrick pays the price

MILAN, Oct 17: Patrick Kluivert was sent off for removing his shirt after scoring AC Milan's injury time winner over Sampdoria in an Italian Cup third round, first leg match on Thursday, reports Reuter.

The game appeared set for a 2-2 draw when Kluivert scored two minutes into injury time.

The Dutchman celebrated by taking off his shirt but his joy was shortlived.

Referee Treossi di Forli booked him for the second time in the match — the first was for dissent — and he was shown the red card.

Milan defensive errors in the 20th and 42nd minutes were seized on by Sandro Tovalieri and Alain Boghossian respectively to give Sampdoria a 2-0 half-time lead.

But Milan stormed back in the second half, George Weah reducing the deficit in the 63rd minute with a chip over the goalkeeper's head.

Eleven minutes later Giampiero Maini levelled the scores with a powerful close-range header.

Shocking!

SYDNEY, Oct 17: A British soccer fan who was attacked in Sydney's harbourside casino while watching Saturday's World Cup qualifier between England and Italy has died in hospital, Australian police said yesterday, reports Reuter.

Hayder Wederell, 26, of Essex, died of St Vincents hospital in Sydney on Wednesday night, said a New South Wales state police spokesman. Wederell's parents, Peter and Margaret, flew out from Britain and were at their son's beside when he died.

Victoria defender Sohel (L) tries to intercept Mohammedan striker Don during their yesterday's Premier Division football league encounter at the Mirpur Stadium. Mohammedans won the match 1-0. — Star photo

Alfaz Mohammedans' hero

Sports Reporter

A first half goal by ace striker Alfaz Ahmed guided defending champions Mohammedan Sporting Club to their second successive victory in the Premier Division league with a solitary goal victory over promotees Victoria Sporting Club at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday.

In the day's second of the Senior Division league matches played on Friday, Alfaz struck the lone goal for the black and whites in the 21st minute.

The dark and dapper marksman who scored ten goals in last year's league, put his side into the lead with a magnificent header from a right side Don cross that beat advancing Victoria custodian Shimul.

Although the Motijheel outfit won, by their high standards it was not vintage Mohammedans. The forwards, in particular Don, was guilty of numerous gaffs.

Don who joined Mohammedans from Brothers Union this year, failed to impress his coach after getting some easy chances to put the ball away.

In the 23rd minute, with only Shimul to beat he made a complete mess of things. In the 50th minute his close header from an Alfaz lob just missed the near post. Late in the second half, Don wasted two more distinct opportunities. Both were dealt with by Shimul.

After holding Abahani Krira Chakra to a goalless draw last week, Victoria could not repeat the same. Although they made some late first half manoeuvres to equalise, poor marksmanship let them down.

The win raised Mohammedans' tally to six points from two matches while the defeat kept Victoria glued to their previous earning of one point.

The winners will take on Federation Cup runners-up Arambagh Krira Sangha on October 22.

Yellow cards: Joy (MSC), Fayez Babu and Anwar (Victoria).

TEAMS

MOHAMMEDAN SC: Ponir, Faisal, Nazrul, Munna (Sr), Joy (Mansoor), Manik (Ruhul Amin), Arman, Munna (Jr), Don, Askar Babu and Alfaz.

VICTORIA SC: Shimul, Faiyaz, Farhad, Sohel (Sujon), Jahangir, Taju (Selim), Sumon, Fayez Babu, Anwar, Tanveer and Towhid.

Referee: Subhash Roy.

EAST END WIN

Earlier, in the day East End Club recorded their first win in the First Division league defeating newly-promoted Shantinagar Club by an identical margin.

Striker Arif headed home the crucial goal in the second minute.

With yesterday's victory, East End raised their points to four while, Shantinagar, who earlier beat Bangladesh Boys Club in their inaugural match, remained one behind.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Premier Division
Abahani KC vs Arambagh KS (4:30 pm)

First Division
Bangladesh Boys Club vs Wari Club (2:30 pm)

Lindsay, Venus reach qtrs

Zurich, Oct 17: Olympic champion Lindsay Davenport and Venus Williams meet in an all-American quarter-final clash at the European Indoor championships after second-round wins over injured opponents on Thursday, reports Reuter.

Davenport, playing her first match after a first-round bye, was leading Natasha Zvereva 6-4, 2-2 when the Belarussian retired with a strained right shoulder.

After holding serve in the opening game of the second set, Zvereva took an injury time-out while a doctor examined and massaged her shoulder.

She returned to the court but retired at 2-2 saying she was unable to serve.

Williams never even set foot on cut, advancing to the last eight when German sixth seed Anke Huber was forced to withdraw before the start of their match with a sore back.

Having spent less than a total of 40 minutes on court, Davenport has barely broken a sweat on her way to the quarter-finals but may now pay for her lack of competition because Williams has had to battle her way through qualifying.

"I'm definitely lacking matches compared to Venus," said Davenport. "She played in the qualifiers but I've been practising a lot and may be this way I'll be fresh."

Lisa Raymond made it three Americans in the quarterfinals as she continued her run of superb form with a 7-5, 6-3 win over fifth seed and world number five Amanda Coetzer of South Africa.

The win set up a quarter-final rematch with Swiss world number one Martina Hingis, who beat her in the final in Filderstadt last weekend.

It was the third victory over a top 10 opponent in less than a week for the 19th ranked Raymond, who beat world number two Jana Novotna and then number nine Irina Spirlea on her way to the final in Filderstadt.

France's Nathalie Tauziat, playing in her first tournament since the US Open, was made to work for her place in the final eight, outlasting Belgium's Dominique van Roost 6-3, 6-7, 7-6.

JPC mini marathon

A mini-marathon, organised by the Jatiya Press Club to mark its 43rd founding anniversary, will be held today at 5-30 am, reports BSS.

More than 150 club members and their families will take part in the run.

ঢাকা বিদ্যুৎ বিতরণ কর্তৃপক্ষ

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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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5 Matlock's field
8 Commotions
12 Stromboli spillover
13 Have bills
14 Palm used for thatching
15 The gamut
16 Tommy — Jones
17 It takes the cake
18 Whitney's "The Preacher's Wife" co-star
20 In the course of
22 Wreath of flowers
23 Chap
24 Stubborn critter
27 Rock band, Smashing —
32 Blackbird
33 — budget
34 Ball-bearing gadget
35 Hawthorn variety
38 Computer unit
39 Inseparable
40 Wild animal park
42 Tedious
45 Mexican resort area
49 It's a long story
50 Once around
52 Drainpipe part
53 Pushpin
54 Actress Thurman
55 Profession
56 Brewery output
57 Hr. division
58 Grub

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4 Shine brilliantly
5 Kojak trademark
6 Idolater's emotion
7 Garden intruder
8 Parka
9 Fluffy white fudge
10 Tourney format
11 Spilled the beans
19 Poet cummings
21 Ref
24 Singer Davis
25 Important numero
26 Chewy black candy
28 Name in Burma's history
29 Tasty almond paste
30 Bottom line
31 Bishopric
36 NY squad
37 D.C. VIP
38 Put a cork in it!
41 Paul Bunyan's Babe, e.g.
42 VHS alternative
43 October rock
44 Dejected
46 Met melody
47 Breathe heavily
48 "Planet of the —"
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Solution time: 23 mins.

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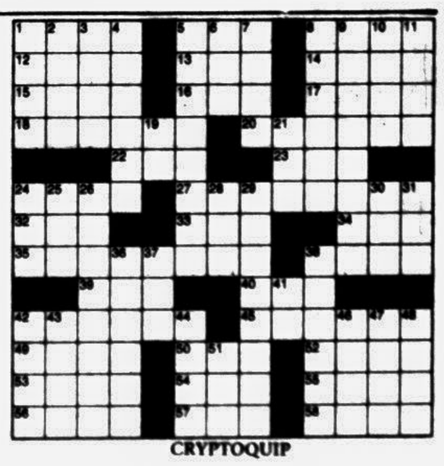

CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: MIGHT AN ANGLER, GOOD AT CATCHING BIG, FLAT FISH, BE CONSIDERED A SOLE MAN?

Today's Cryptoquip clue: B equals P

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it 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.

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