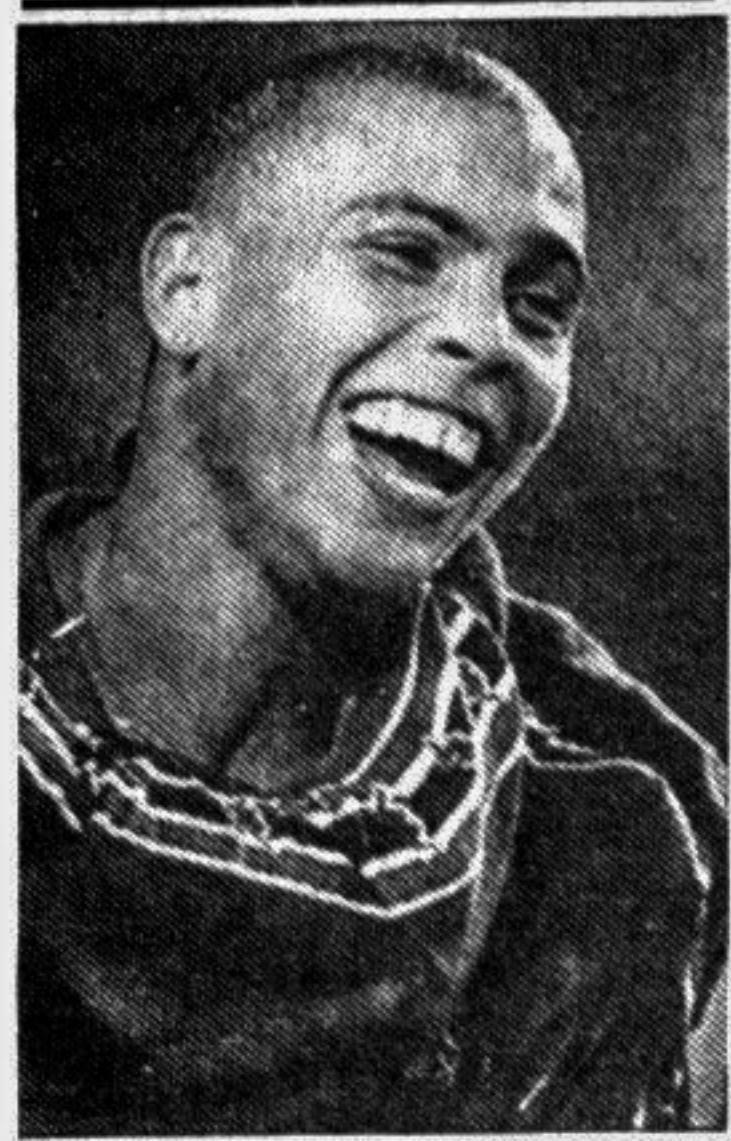


Column One

SPORTS TALK



Ronaldo

(Brazil's football superstar)
"People keep asking who I prefer to have playing alongside me as if I could choose between wonderful players such as Rivaldo, Romario, Dodo or Edmundo. Fortunately that's not my job. I have enough to do trying to make sure I can keep my place in the team."

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-87

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes at 8 pm on Jan 30, 1998

1	Which Kiwi batsman scored the only ODI century against Pakistan?	Cairns	Asle	Crowe
2	Which is the highest ODI individual score?	194	189	198
3	How many ODI centuries has Azharuddin hit?	3	4	5
4	Who scored the only half-century for Bangladesh in the Independence Cup?	Aminul	Akram	Mahmud
5	Who is leading Bangladesh in the World Youth Cup cricket in South Africa?	Sabir	Al-Shariar	Sajal

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Invitational
hockey

An invitational international hockey tournament, under the auspices of the Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHF), will be held in the last week of next month, reports BSS.

Six countries, out of invited 13, have confirmed their participation in the tournament.

Sri Lanka, China, Singapore and Egypt would send their national teams while India will send their national runners-up. Tamil Nadu Eleven and Pakistan will be represented by the national champions Frontier Eleven.

The BHF executive committee will sit on January 26 to discuss the financial position and other preparatory issues.

Strict security
for France '98

PARIS, Jan 20: France will deploy about 6,000 French police and several hundred soldiers to ensure security and guard against terrorism during the World Cup, the interior minister said Tuesday, reports AP.

"We are managing a crowd phenomenon. These are phenomena which are difficult to control, and excesses are possible," Interior Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement told a news conference. "As a result, we will take the necessary measures."

Millions of people, including tens of thousands of fans from nearby European countries, are expected to attend the 64 matches of this year's World Cup at 10 different stadiums across France.

French authorities are being especially vigilant about potential disturbances by so-called soccer hooligans, and terrorist attacks.

Police already are exchanging photos of potential soccer hooligans in order to minimise the possibility of altercations between rival fans.

Between 5,000 and 6,000 police will be on hand to ensure security during the 33 days of completion between June 10-July 12. And at least 300 soldiers will help ensure safety as part of anti-terrorist measures already in effect.

Special security checks of fans will take place before they enter the stadiums, and security officials will patrol public transportation and parking lots.

Security measures will be tested during the inaugural match of the new Stade de France outside Paris on Jan 28.

Sajal, Muntasir stymie Kenya

Sports Reporter



Fahim Muntasir and pacer Sajal Chowdhury wagged a long tail to inspire Bangladeshi three-wicket win over Kenya in the Plate league of the second World Youth Cup cricket at Potchefstroom University ground in South Africa on Monday.

In a unique unison, both Fahim and Sajal, who had earlier evenly shared four wickets among them to restrict their African rivals to a paltry 132, remained unbeaten on 33 runs as Bangladesh recovered from a middle-order collapse to clinch victory in 37.2 overs.

At one stage, Bangladesh were stuttering at 54 for seven. But Muntasir and Sajal added 80 in an unbroken eighth wicket partnership to stun the Kenyans.

Although the scorecards provided by the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) last evening was hardly legible, it was however learnt that Fahim faced 81 balls in his gritty undefeated knock while an obdurate Sajal played 85 balls.

Openener Hannan Sarker with a breezy 27 off 15 balls gave Bangladesh a flying start after the fantastic bowling performance from skipper Al-Shahriar, who took four wickets for only seven runs.

But support at the other end was insignificant. Hannan aside, the other top five batsmen including skipper Al-Shahriar failed to even reach a double-digit mark.

AFP adds: England turned around last week's humiliation

by Bangladesh into a shock win over fancied Pakistan.

The in-form Pakistan, who had an untroubled passage through the preliminary round, made England fight all the way but they were eventually edged out by 18 runs.

A first-wicket partnership of 91 between Steve Peters and Robert Key got the English boys off to a settled start.

Peters was eventually run out by Saeed Anwar for 92, with England 177 for four, but his 126-ball innings laid the foundation for a challenging total of 251.

Pakistan were always in with a chance, despite losing five wickets for 50 runs during a spell of 13 overs when off-spinner Graeme Swann and Giles Haywood pinned them back.

The run out of Hasan Raza, the only Test player in the tournament, by Swann, was a further blow to Pakistan.

What swung the game, however, was a top-drawer boundary catch by Jonathan Powell which got rid of Waqas as Pakistan looked to be in with a chance, although they needed 30 off the last four overs.

England's next match will be against India on Saturday, while Pakistan face Australia on Friday.

India play Australia today in the next super league fixture.

There were no upsets in the plate league games.

Greg Butchart scored the only century of the day with 128 for Scotland against Namibia, with the Scots winning by 156 runs.

Result: Bangladesh won by 3-wkt

dies thrashed Denmark by 200 runs and Ireland celebrated when they beat Papua New Guinea by six wickets.

SCOREBOARD

Gopee c Murtaza b Mushifq	28
Mohammad c Fahim b Monjurul	33
Tlono c Murtaza b Al-Shahriar	0
B Karmali c & b Al-Shahriar	7
Mboya run out	0
H Modi c Sabir b Fahim	3
Kamanda st Murtaza	1
b Al-Shahriar	1
Nboya b Al-Shahriar	2
C Oteono not out	13
Extras: (lb-3, nb-1, w-9)	13
Total: (all out in 44.5 overs)	132

BOWLING

O	M	R	W
Sajal	7	2	21
Manjurul	6	1	20
Sabir Khan	6.5	2	20
Mushifqur	7	1	27
Fahim	10	0	27
Al-Shahriar	6	3	4

Result: Bangladesh won by 3-wkt

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Total: (for 7 wkt in 37.2 overs)

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Mboya	6	0	32
Parson	7	0	30
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