

Column One

SPORTS TALK



Alec Stewart

(England cricketer)
"I've learnt to count 10, before making the next move."

Boost sports WHIZZ KID

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?
Calms Asile 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?
Sabbir Al-Shariar Sajal

Name
Class Roll No.
School Address
Phone: (If any)

EN-VITS
ENERGY-RELEASING VITAMINS

Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

1. Tender Notice : 174 BRD of 1997-98.
No.
2. Name of work : Earth work in road embankment at 7th KM (Barisal end) of Barisal-Bhola-Lakshimpur Road under Barisal Road Division during the year 1997-98.
3. Estimated amount : Tk. 17,29,247/00
4. Earnest money : Tk. 34,585/00
5. Time allowed : 50 (Fifty) days.
6. Eligibility of contractor : "A" to "C" class enlisted contractor under general category of the Roads & Highways Department, "D" class enlisted contractors under general category of Barisal Road Circle, Barisal.
7. Name of office : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Pirojpur/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Barisal/Jhalakathi/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Barisal during office hours on all working days. No tender form will be sold on the opening date of tender.
8. Last date of selling of tender : Up to 5:00 PM on 26-10-1404B/8-2-98E.
9. Name of office : Additional Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal/DC, Barisal/Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Pirojpur.
10. Last date & time : 27-10-1404B/9-2-98E. up to 12:30 PM.
11. Date & time of recording tender bids in sealed cover : At 12:45 PM on 27-10-1404B/9-2-98E.
12. Date, time & name of office where tender will be opened : At 11:00 AM on 4-11-1404B/16-2-98E. Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Barisal Road Division, Barisal.
13. Lottery date and time : At 11:00 AM on 6-11-1404B/18-2-98E.

Nat'l hockey title Dhaka's

Sports Reporter

Dhaka District Sports Association regained the national hockey crown yesterday.

In the 20th edition of the championship, Dhaka DSA exacted revenge on holders Dhaka University with an exciting 3-2 victory at the National Hockey Stadium.

In the neck and neck encounter, which was a repeat match of the last championship's final held as part of the Bangladesh Games in 1996, skipper Rafiqul Islam Kamal struck twice while his partner Mohammad Sadek added for the winners' to avenge their solitary goal defeat in the previous engagement two years back.

On the other hand, forward Ramjul Islam and defender Mahfuzul Alam Nixon reduced the margin for the struggling Dhaka University.

Kamal, top scorer in the league last year, was going through a lean patch in the knock out tourney so far having scored only one goal in the last three matches. But the tricky centre-forward lived up to the occasion and put his side ahead through a penalty corner as early as in the seventh minute.

The dapper forward then doubled the score after six minutes capitalising on a mistake by Nixon. The tall Dhaka University defender, in a desperate attempt to clear a Sadek through, lost control of the ball and an unmarked Kamal blasted it past an advancing custodian Tushar.

After conceding the second goal, Dhaka University staged a rally and produced a couple of penalty corners only to see them brilliantly saved by Dhaka goalkeeper Mohammad Javed.

Forward Ramjul finally succeeded to beat Javed in the 33rd minute with a magnificent field goal on a Siam pass that enabled Dhaka University to go for the lemon break with a goal deficit.

Inspired by the first half lead, Dhaka kept their pressure on the opponents and added one more in the 57th minute when they earned a penalty stroke.

Sadek converted with a confident push which hit the right corner of the net.

Nixon then reduced the margin converting a penalty corner in the 65th minute.

For Dhaka, it was their sixth triumph in this level.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader witnessed the final and distributed prizes. He was accompanied by Bangladesh Hockey Federation president Air-Vice Marshall Jamaluddin Ahmed.

Mohammad Sadek, the veteran national forward who scored ten goals in the meet, received the top goal scorer's award while Mohammad Javed, the Dhaka goalkeeper, was declared as player-of-the-meet.

Earlier, nine times champions Bangladesh Army ensured the third spot with a 2-0 victory over Faridpur in a play-off match.

Sirajul Islam put Army ahead in the 14th minute while Shahjahan Mia sealed the match in the 57th minute.

TEAMS

DHAKA DSA: Javed, Guddu, Khokon, Mitul, Piru, Hasan,

Sadek, Kamal, Shamsuzzaman, Farooq, Zahid and Reza.

DHAKA UNIVERSITY: Tushar, Mamun, Nixon, Rabiuddin, Tutul, Khurshid, Ashiquzzaman, Miraj, Siam, Ramjul, Raju, Shariful, Rafique, Umpires: Aslam Belim and Mahbulul Haq Mitu.



DOUBLE TEAM: Dhaka DSA's Javed (L) and Sadek show off their crests after being adjudged best player and top scorer respectively of the 20th national hockey championship yesterday.

ROLL OF HONOUR

Year	Champions	Runners-up
1974	Comilla	Bangladesh Police
1975	Dhaka	Faridpur
1976	Faridpur	Dhaka
1077	Dhaka	Faridpur
1978	Dhaka	Comilla
1979	Bangladesh Army	Bangladesh Railway
1980 (BD Games)	Abandoned	
1981	Bangladesh Army	Jessore
1982	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka Mahanagari
1983	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka
1984 (BD Games)	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka
1985	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka
1986	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka
1987	Not held	
1988 (BD Games)	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka University
1989	Not held	
1990	BKSP	Dhaka University
1991	Dhaka	Dhaka University
1992 (BD Games)	Dhaka	Bangladesh Army
1993	Not held	
1994	Bangladesh Army	Dhaka
1995	Dhaka University	BKSP
1996 (BD Games)	Dhaka University	Dhaka
1997	Not held	
1998	Dhaka	Dhaka University

Gilchrist silences critics

Australia make the day



SYDNEY, Jan 26 (AFP/Reuters): Australia sailed to an easy victory over a lacklustre South Africa here today to win the second tri-series one-day final and set up a mouth watering decider in Sydney Tuesday.

It was a much improved Australia that passed the Proteas total of 228 for six with seven wickets and 8.1 overs to spare.

Makeshift opener and player-of-the-match Adam Gilchrist was the star of the show, hitting a magnificent 100, his maiden ODI ton, to prove a point to his critics who want to see Ian Healy back in the side.

The South Africans were hot favourites to win this second one-day final after defeating the Aussies in their past six meetings, and a 228 total was defensible, but the Australians dictated the game, despite losing the toss.

And to add to their woes South African pace spearhead Allan Donald, whose scintillating spell of fast bowling won the first final in Melbourne of Friday, retired with a strained but

took muscle after bowling just three overs.

Captain Hansie Cronje is unlikely to risk him for the decider with the third and final Test starting in Adelaide on Friday.

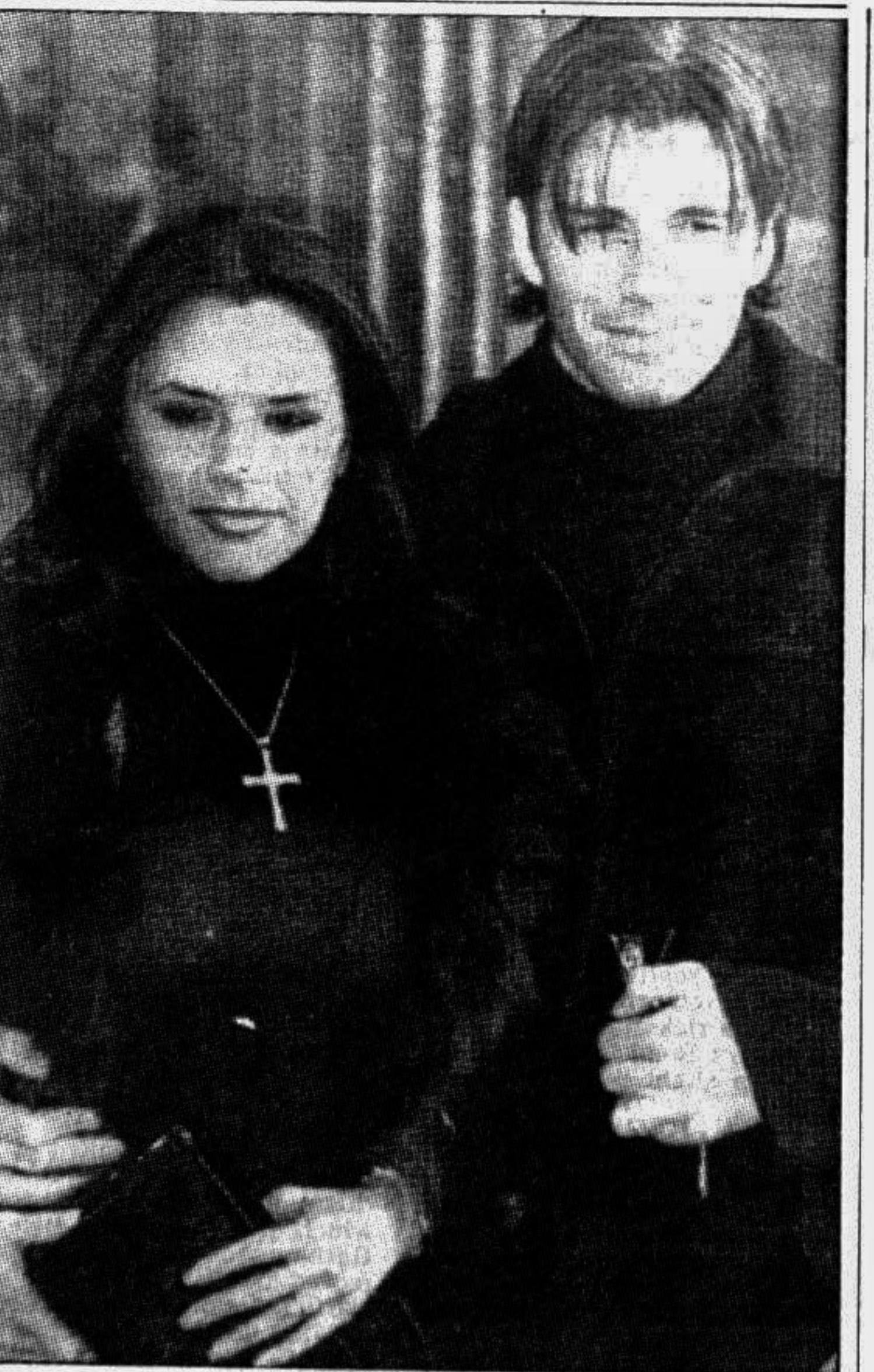
A swashbuckling 134-run partnership between Cronje and Jonty Rhodes had given South Africa a chance after they were reduced to 64 for four. But Cronje (73 off 77 balls) and Rhodes (82 not out of 98 balls) were the only batsmen to really get in terms with a tight Australian attack.

Part-time off spinner Mark Waugh, a surprise opening bowler, applied the early pressure, taking the wicket of Daryll Cullinan with his second ball.

Cullinan played at a full toss and was caught by his nemesis, Shane Warne, for three.

Paul Wilson gave him able support, causing all sorts of early problems, pinning the batsmen down and tempting danger man Gary Kirsten (14) into top edging to wicketkeeper Gilchrist.

Jaques Kallis (10) was never comfortable and skied a Reiffel delivery to Ricky Ponting.



SPICY COUPLE: Victoria Adams of the megahit pop group Spice Girls and Manchester United star David Beckham pose for photographers after announcing their engagement at a hotel in Chester, England on Jan 25.

Dull draw at Chedwin Park

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan 26: Reon King one of the new breed of West Indies fast bowlers upset the plans of England's batsmen to get some timely practice on Sunday ahead of the first Test, reports Reuters.

King had a spell of three for six in 24 balls as England's match against West Indies A was drawn on the fourth and last day at Chedwin Park.

England, 34 behind on first innings after dismissing the A side for 434 in the morning made 181 for four in their second innings before declaring to end the game early.

When the West Indian team were all out an hour after the start, and openers Michael Atherton and Alec Stewart cleared off the deficit, neither side had a realistic chance of winning on a flat pitch.

Zia Smriti cricket

From Our Correspondent RAJSHAHI, Jan 26: Smriti Sangha defeated Diganta Prasary Sangha by 29 runs in the third round of the 10th Shaheed Zia Smriti cricket tournament today at Rajshahi Government College play-ground.

A day of shocks

MADRID, Jan 26: Real Madrid kept their slim lead Sunday in the Spanish league despite a 4-2 loss against Real Sociedad as their rivals FC Barcelona were beaten 3-1 by Deportivo Coruna in the 22nd round, reports AP.

Barcelona missed a chance to close the one point gap separating it from Real Madrid, who has 43 points in the 20-team division.

Venables to talk over his future

MELBOURNE, Jan 26: Soccer Australia chairman David Hill and national coach Terry Venables will meet later this week to discuss the former England mentor's future in Australia, reports AP.



Players and officials of Dhaka DSA who won the national hockey championship defeating Dhaka University in the final yesterday.

Kalabagan pull out protesting bad umpiring

Mohammedans declared winners

Sports Reporter



Giants Mohammedan Sporting Club got an effortless entry into the final of the Bijo Dabash cricket tournament when new leviathans Kalabagan Krira Chakra refused to play midway through the second session of the first semifinal at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Kalabagan were 109 for five in 26 overs in reply to a fighting Mohammedan total of 189 all out in the stipulated 50 overs when an official of the Dhanmondi outfit instructed his players to pull out of the middle, protesting a few decisions of the umpires went against them.

The match came to a grinding halt when umpire Jahangir Alam upheld a half-hearted leg before appeal against Kalabagan's middle-order bat Ishtiaq, who played and missed an incoming delivery from Mohammedans' tall right-arm seamer Hasibul Hossain.

MOHAMMEDAN SC: 189 all out in 49.5 overs (Aminul Islam 41, Minhazul Abedin 40; Talha 3/32, Saiful 2/43, Enamul Haq 2/41)
KALABAGAN KC: 109 for 5 wickets (Sajjad Ahmed 48, Harunur Rashid 21, Zakaria 12 not out; Rafique 3/25)
Result: Mohammedan SC won by default.

Although the delivery appeared to have missed the leg stump of Ishtiaq, the man-in-the-uniform felt no hesitation to give the verdict in favour of Mohammedans. The dubious leg before decision, prompted Kalabagan enough to vent their pent-up anger by calling it a quit at a stage when the game was very much evenly poised.

"We are not playing any more. We do not want to be the victim of such highly unfair rulings made by these tit-for-tat umpires," said a Kalabagan official, claiming that as many as three controversial decisions were made against them.

Kalabagan were at one stage cruising with 50 for no loss in only ten overs before a series of poor decisions led to their precarious position.

Opener Sajjad Ahmed Shipon was playing like a champion batsman before he was declared caught behind. He fell just two runs short of what would have been a brilliant half-century. Angry at being duped by the decision, the young right-hander was about to throw his bat in sheer frustration. Mohammedan wicket-keeper Nasir Ahmed, infamous for his insistent appeal for each and every ball, became an ungodly winner by successfully convincing umpire Asgar to raise his dreaded finger with a noisy solicitation along with bowler Mohammad Rafique.

Undoubtedly the best performer on the day, Sajjad put on 50 runs for the first wicket with skipper Harunur Rashid before the latter was castled by left-arm spinner Rafique for a 25-ball 21.

Sajjad hammered eight

fours including an exquisite cover drive before his 61-ball innings came to a sad end.

Earlier, sent into bat in the morning, Mohammedan total was built around two 40-plus knocks from their skipper Aminul Islam and vice-captain Minhazul Abedin. Together the two most experienced batsmen shared 47 runs for the fourth wicket after Mohammedans were reduced to 55 for three in 17.4 overs.

Aminul scored 41 off 62 balls before being bowled round his legs while missing an attempted sweep against former national slow left-armers Enamul Haq, Minhazul was caught at short square leg after scoring an workmanlike 40.

But Mohammedans, put in to bat in the morning, were never looked comfortable in scoring runs against the tight bowling of Kalabagan. They kept losing wickets at regular intervals.

Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

1. Tender Notice : 86 BRD of 1997-98. (2nd Call)
No.
2. Name of work : Earth work & Brick Matressing work at 5th KM (Kalizira Bridge both end) of Barisal/Jhalakati-Bhandaria-Pirojpur Road under Barisal Road Division during the year 1997-98.
3. Estimated amount : Tk 12,99,355/-.
4. Earnest money : Tk. 25,988/-
5. Time allowed : 45 (Forty-five) days.
6. Eligibility of contractor : "A" to "C" class enlisted contractor under general category of Roads & Highways Department and "D" class enlisted contractors under general category of Barisal Road Circle, Barisal.
7. Name of office : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Pirojpur/Planning Division, (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Barisal/Jhalakati/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Barisal during office hours on all working days. No tender form will be sold on the opening date of tender.
8. Last date of selling of tender : At 5:00 PM on 22-10-1404B/4-2-98 E.
9. Name of office : Additional Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal Zone, Barisal/Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Pirojpur.
10. Last date & time of receiving tender bids in sealed cover : Up to 12:30 PM on 23-10-1404B/5-2-98E.
11. Date & time of recording tender bids in sealed cover : At 12:45 PM on 23-10-1404B/5-2-98E.
12. Date, time & name of office where tender will be opened : At 11:00 AM on 29-10-1404B/11-2-98E at office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Barisal Road Division, Barisal.
13. Lottery date & time : At 11:00 AM on 4-11-1404B/16-2-98E.

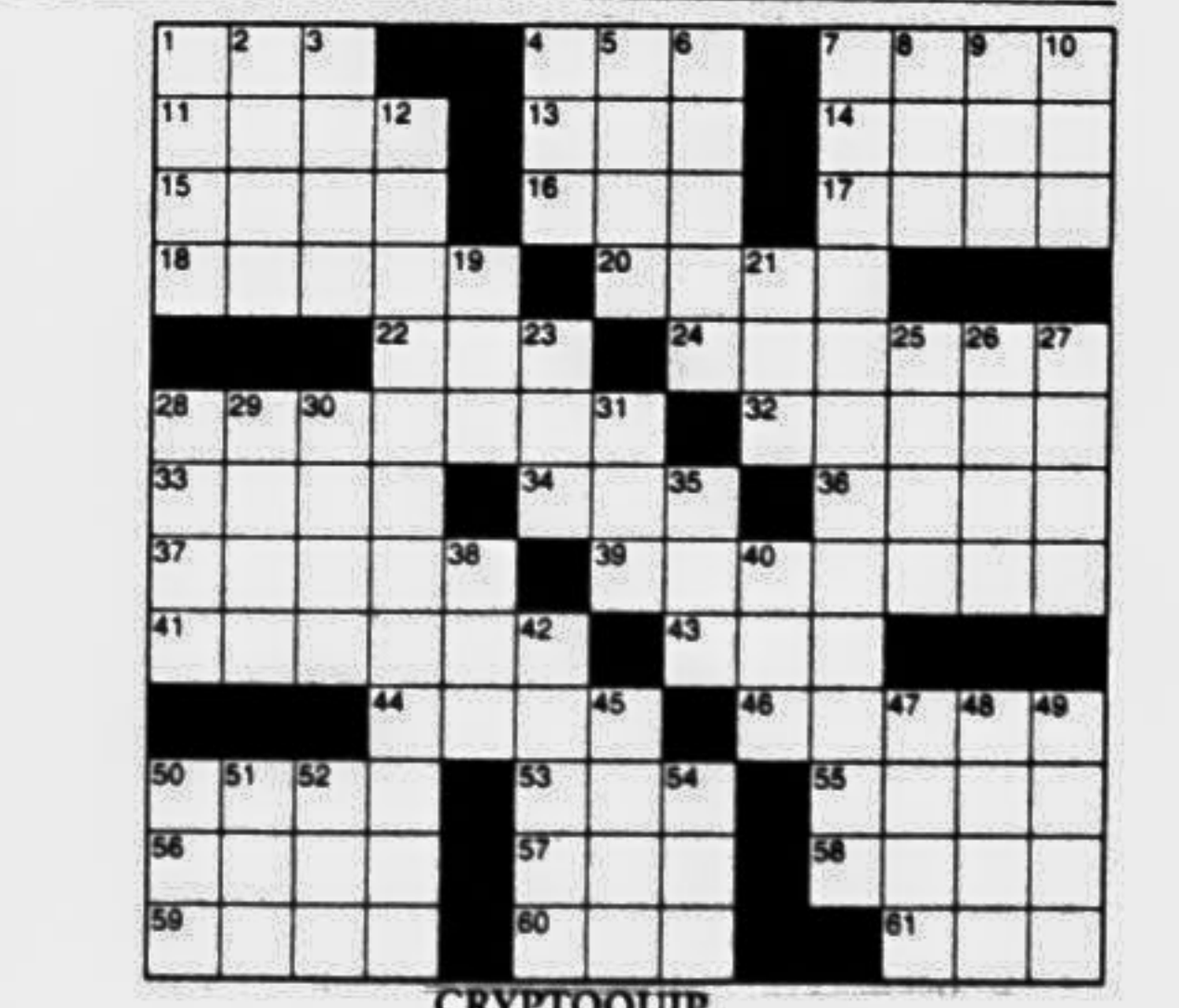
MD. ABDUL QUDDUS-2
Executive Engineer, RHD (C.C.)
Barisal Road Division

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
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5 Surveillance
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7 It goes from 1 to 10
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10 Sailor
12 Fault
13 Flamingo
19 Quaff at
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25 Competition
26 Villa d'—
27 Oboist's silver
28 Fashion
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30 Trebek
31 no-no
32 Spotted
35 Swab
38 Take a shot at
40 Equip
42 Chaplin persona
45 Mississippi feeder
47 Round number
48 Maleficence
49 "Monopoly" needs
50 Crop
51 Brewery product
52 Hiatus
54 Evidence in the Borden case

Yesterday's answer



CRYPTOQUIP
M V Q B H F M D W M F L
P F U X P E F G M V X M X
V D P R F B V D C C X B E Q L G
D W X U X L F F H F L M
Saturday's Cryptogram: I HEAR THAT PILOTS CAN SIMPLY KEEP THEIR MOUTH IN AIR POCKETS.
Today's Cryptogram clue: U equals M
The Cryptogram 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.