

Column One

Boost sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-92

Tick the correct answers Post to The Daily Star

Win attractive prizes Competition closes at 8 pm on April 17, 1998

1. Pete Sampras regained the men's tennis world for how many weeks?

102 104 106

2. How many one-day internationals has Allan Border played?

273 275 271

3. Which team lifted the 1997-98 Premier football league title?

Abahani Mohammedan Mukhtodha

4. The ODI century Ajay Jadeja scored against Australia on April 1 was his

7th 5th 3rd

5. Brazilian soccer superstar Ronaldo belongs to

Inter Milan Juventus Barcelona

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SPORTS TALK

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(Rifles Public School & College)

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Greenidge to condition cricketers after Qurbani Nine colts in a stable of 39

Sports Reporter



Thirty-nine cricketers including nine from the under-19 side were called yesterday to join a preparatory camp for upcoming tours in India, England and Malaysia. A conditioning camp for those selected, under the supervision of national coach Gordon Greenidge, will begin at the Bangladesh Krira Shiksha Protashtan (BKSP) after the Eid vacation.

Gordon, a former West Indian great, who is now in his native Barbados on a month-long vacation, is expected to return to Dhaka next week. Bangladesh will take part in a tri-nation tournament in India next month along with Kenya and then tour England as part of their preparations for the 1999 World Cup beginning in June. Besides, Bangladesh will also participate in the Commonwealth Games cricket, incorporated for the first time, to be held in Malaysia in September.

According to a source close to the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB), the primary focus

at the conditioning camp will be on improving physical fitness of the players.

Named in the list of 39 are nine youngsters who played for Bangladesh in the World Youth Cup in South Africa earlier this year. They are: Fahim Munzir, Tanveer Khan, Towhid Hossain, Ehsanul Haque, Hannan Sarkar, Mushfiqur Rahman, Golam Mortuza, Manjurul Islam and Sabbir Khan.

Although many of the colts toured India and Pakistan last month while playing for BCB Eleven in the two Willis trophies, except for Manjurul, this will be their first acid test to get a berth in the senior. Left arm pacer Manjurul was a member of the Bangladesh team which toured New Zealand last winter. Iqbal Hossain of BCB Eleven is the only omission from the 16-player squad that toured India while all the 16 player which toured Pakistan have been retained for the post-Eid camp.

The only new face in the camp is Abahani's all-rounder Niamur Rashid while former national skipper

Faruque Ahmed, who pulled out from the Independence Cup camp due to a groin injury, has been invited again to prove his worth. Also earning a recall are former national opener Harunur Rashid, all-rounder Mozibur Rahman and left arm spinner Sharfuddinul Islam Shaheed.

The following have been asked to report to BCB at 4 pm tomorrow with their passport: Akram Khan, Aminul Islam, Minhazul Abedin, Khaled Masood, Shafiuddin Ahmed, Naimur Rahman, Javed Omar, Morshed Ali Khan, Khaled Mahmud, Faruque Ahmed, Athar Ali Khan, Hasibul Hossain, Mohammad Rafique, Al-Shahriar, Sanwar Hossain, Enamul Haque, Atiar Rahman, Nasirul Alam, Fahim Munzir, Anisur Rahman, Sajjad Ahmed, Niamur Rashid, Tanveer Khan, Towhid Hossain, Ehsanul Haque, Hannan Sarkar, Azam Iqbal, Shahriar Hossain, Mehrob Hossain, Zakir Hasan, Hasanuzzaman, Mushfiqur Rahman, Habibur Bashar, Golam Mortuza, Harun-ur Rashid, Sharfuddinul Islam, Sabbir Khan and Mozibur Rahman.

Lindsay tames a toughie



HILTON HEAD ISLAND, South Carolina, Apr 3: Lindsay Davenport nearly joined the exodus of star players at the Family Circle Cup, escaping in three sets against Ruxandra Dragomir on Thursday, reports AP.

The top seed rallied from a 4-1 deficit in the third set to win 1-6, 6-3, 7-5 and reach the quarterfinals.

No. 2 seed Jana Novotna fell to Spain's Magui Serna, who had to finish a suspended match before pulling off the third-round upset 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.

And in a morning match, Anne Miller beat former Australian Open champion Mary Pierce.

Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario and Conchita Martinez, two past Family Circle champions, lost opening matches earlier this week.

Teenage stars Martina Hingis, Anna Kournikova and sisters Venus and Serena Williams didn't even bother to come.

So when Dragomir blasted Davenport's serve past the baseline on match point, the exhausted Californian pumped her fists and waded to the cheering stadium crowd.

Third-seeded Monica Seles, who reached last year's Family Circle final before losing to Hingis, continued her trek back with a 6-0, 6-7 (7-5), 6-2 victory over No 16 Natasha Zvereva.

Six of the top 10 seeds were gone before the quarterfinals of the season's first clay-court event.

Davenport could not do that early against Dragomir, blast-

ing balls all around the court as her opponent steadily kept shots in play.

After Davenport evened the match, her mistakes returned in the third set. She made seven errors in losing the first two games and looked done when she trailed 4-1.

And Dragomir couldn't do it. She committed three woeful service errors to trail 6-5 and tied 30-all in the next game, butched a simple forehand smash to set up match point.

Dragomir threw her racket to the ground as she watched her shot sail wide.

Davenport advanced to a quarterfinal meeting against No 9 Irina Spilrea, who defeated Magdalena Grzybowska 6-3, 6-4.

Seles, seeking her first victory of 1998, breezed through the opening set in 18 minutes, which she said cost her in the second set. She lost her focus

with the easy start and had trouble when Zvereva attacked back.

Seles found her stride after losing a second-set tiebreaker and put Zvereva away with her deep, grunting groundstrokes.

She'll meet No 14 Patty Schnyder in the quarterfinals. Schnyder defeated Lori McNeil and Mariann de Swardt — each 6-3, 6-2 — making up for matches delayed by rain earlier this week.

No. 4 Amanda Coetzer won her delayed match over Silvia Farina in the morning and defeated Virginia Ruano-Pascual 6-0, 6-4 to reach the final eight. She'll take on Andrea Glass, who got into the draw as a weekend qualifier, then defeated Sanchez-Vicario on Wednesday.

Serna meets No 15 Lisa Raymond, who ousted Miller 1-6, 6-2, 6-3 in a third-round match.

Hasan Masood retires Usual Friday dose for The Daily Star

Sports Reporter

BRIEF SCORES

BANQUE INDOSUEZ: 143 for eight in 25 overs (Talha 53, Hassan 41 n.o., Tamim 16, Rabeed 3 wkts, Mahtab 3 wkts) THE DAILY STAR: 110 for nine in 25 overs (Rabeed 20, Lovell 15 n.o., Mahtab 15, Morshed 11, Tawfik 11, Tamim 5 wkts, Hassan 2 wkts) Result: Banque Indosuez won by 33 runs.

'Reluctant' Sports Reporter Poor but not unusual fielding let the Daily Star cricket team down once again when they were easily beaten by Banque Indosuez by 33 runs in a friendly match at the BUET ground yesterday.

Opting to bat first, the bankers piled up a huge (2) 143 for eight in the stipulated 25 overs, thanks to the Daily Star fielders who saw stars during the day and dropped as many as half a dozen lolly catches. Had the Stars held on to one or two of them, it would have been a pleasure to report.

Opener Talha (reportedly the best cricketer of Sunnydale School) hammered highest 53 inclusive of nine boundaries while middle-order Hassan chipped in with an unbeaten 41 which included a big sixer and three fours. Tamim (a BBA student of IUB) was the other notable batsman who added 16 runs.

Daily Star's pseudo-pacers Mahtab and Rabeed to their credit evenly shared six wickets.

In reply, the Daily Star were restricted to 110 for nine in 25 overs in the face of some inspirational pace bowling from Tamim who captured five wickets. He was well supported by Hassan who took two wickets.

After shining with the cherry, Rabeed also showed his strength with the willow scored highest but 20 futile runs while opener Mahtab, who also took three wickets, and lower middle-order Lovell contributed 15 runs each. Besides, skipper Morshed and Tawfik scored 11 runs apiece.

Daily Star's umpire Hasan Masood announced his retirement yesterday immediately after the disastrous match having officiated in three consecutive matches which resulted in as many defeats for his team.

NZC retains Rixon till '99

WELLINGTON, Apr 3: New Zealand Cricket (NZC) today extended the contract of national coach Steve Rixon through to the 1999 World Cup and the following four-Test tour of England, reports AFP.

Australian Rixon, said he was pleased to be offered an extension, and said he had resolved outstanding issues with his business interests in Sydney and had the full support of his family.

Rixon, whose present contract expires after the Black Caps' tour of Sri Lanka in May and June, said it was a big decision as he had a family of four in Australia to consider.

The NZC board has also given Rixon a selectorial role in a revamped of the selection panel.

Hockley honoured

WELLINGTON, Apr 3: Debbie Hockley has been named New Zealand cricketer of the year, the country's top award in the sport, reports Reuters.

Described as a "run-scoring machine", Hockley earned the award this season ahead of her male counterparts in a cricket world first.

While the male New Zealand team was recently judged by Wisden to be bottom of the international heap, New Zealand's women cricketers were runners-up in this year's World Cup.

Debbie's performances during this season are the single outstanding achievement and are being recognised as such, New Zealand Cricket chief executive Chris Doig said on Thursday.

Alistair's ton goes awry



AHMEDABAD, Apr 3 (AFP/AP): A superb 103 by Zimbabwe captain Alistair Campbell went in vain as Australia snatched a 13-run victory in the tri-nation limited-over series here today.

Left-handed Campbell, who opened the innings, was last man out off the penultimate delivery as he attempted to ride over a sensational collapse at the other end.

Zimbabwe, chasing Australia's 252 for seven, were sent to the cleaners when a 91-run second-wicket stand between Campbell and Murray Goodwin (55) took them to 143 for one by the 30th over.

But Zimbabwe lost the next four wickets for the addition of 20 runs and the last five for 76 to be shot out for 239.

Leg-spinner Shane Warne began the slide by bowling a well set Goodwin round his legs in the 30th over. In the next over, Damien Fleming removed Andy Flower and Guy Whittall off successive balls.

Heath Streak prevented a hat-trick, but managed only five when he became Fleming's third victim four overs later.

Tom Moody, the big West Australian, then chipped in with the wickets of Craig Evans and Dirk Viljoen in two balls, both through catches by wicket-keeper Adam Gilchrist.

Campbell, with last man Adam Huckle at the crease, took just two of the first four balls of Moody's final over, before being bowled off the fifth.

It was Australia's ninth win in 10 internationals against Zimbabwe, giving them their first points in the series after a 4-1-run defeat to hosts India in Wednesday's opening match.

Zimbabwe's collapse in energy-sapping temperatures of around 42 degrees Celsius undid their brilliant display in the field after Australia won the toss and elected to bat.

Australia's middle order stumbled after reaching a comfortable 202 for three wickets at the start of the 40th over. They lost four wickets in a space of 26 runs in five overs and managed to score just 50 runs in the last 10 overs.

Australia were buoyed by a quick fourth-wicket partnership between left-handed batsman Michael Bevan and skipper Steve Waugh brought 70 valuable runs.

A small but enthusiastic crowd for less than 10,000 people at Sardar Patel Gujarat stadium cheered the fall of every Australian wicket.

Bevan's solid batting took

him to his second consecutive half century in the tournament. It came off 60 balls. Trying to loft pace bowler Craig Evans over mid-wicket, Bevan was unable to see Australia through the slog overs and was caught by Heath Streak.



CAMPBELL ... p-o-m

All-rounder Darren Lehmann was also soon bowled by Streak 21 runs later. A direct hit by Campbell ensured Moody was sent back with just two more runs added to the total.

Steve Waugh, who looked set to take Australia beyond 270, fell two short of his half-century, bowled by Guy Whittall.

Australia lost an early wicket within the first half-hour to fast bowler Streak who trapped Adam Gilchrist leg before.

Opener Mark Waugh, playing his 150th international, failed to make good the life he was given in the first over, dropped at leg slip off Streak before he got off the mark.

Waugh looked in better nick at the end of Streak's first spell. He was timing the ball better and hit medium-pace Guy Whittall for two boundaries.

At 37, he was hit low, playing across to Guy's off-spinner cousin Andrew, ending a partnership of 68 for the second wicket.

Andrew Whittall earlier dropped an easy catch at short cover off Streak that could have sent Ricky Ponting at 17, packing 142; 3-212; 5-233; 6-235; 7-238

Bowling: O M R W Streak 10 0 48 2 G Whittall 10 0 57 1 Huckle 10 0 47 0 A Whittall 10 1 45 1 Viljoen 4 0 26 0 Evans 6 0 26 1

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Result: Australia won by 13 runs. Player-of-the-match: Alistair Campbell (Zimbabwe)

India play Zimbabwe at Baroda on Sunday

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Spaniard Magui Serna is in ecstasy after defeating Jana Novotna of Czech Republic in the third round of the Family Circle Cup tournament at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina on April 2. Serna won 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

— AP/UNB photo

The Daily Star TV Guide

Saturday 4th April

(All programmes are in local time but subject to last minute change)

BTV

Morning Session

9:00 Opening Announcement, Al-Quran, Programme Summary

9:05 Monear Mukurae 10:15 Movie Of The Week 12:10 Close

BBC

6:00am USA Direct 6:30 BBC World News Followed by Weather 7:00 Hardtalk 7:30 BBC News Followed by Weather 8:00 World Focus: Reporters 8:30 BBC World News Followed

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(Former-ELTV)

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