

Sport

Column One

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-93

Post to Daily Star

Win attractive prizes

Competition closes at 8 pm

on May 2, 1998

- 1 Who is leading Warwickshire county this season? Donald Lara Akram

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POWERED WITH EN-VITS

ENERGY-RELEASING VITAMINS

SPORTS TALK

Nayan Mongia

(India wicketkeeper)

You can keep brilliantly the whole day and people will still remember you for the catch you dropped at the fog end of the day. It can be very cruel.

4-nation hockey Argentina ride on Lomi

MELBOURNE, Apr 18:

Striker Jorge Lomi proved Argentina's hero as he struck twice today to fetch his side an all-important victory over New Zealand that virtually assures them a place in tomorrow's final of the four-nation Colorado Cup hockey tournament here, reports PTI.

Argentina, who were tied on points with India with both teams having secured seven points apiece from two wins, a draw and two defeats, have now improved their position with ten points after their last round robin match and are almost certain to be Australia's opponent in the title clash.

India, who are behind on goal-difference compared with Argentina, are left with the Herculean task of beating favourites Australia by a six-goal margin for a final berth, which looks unlikely.

The Argentineans who held Australia to a surprise 4-4 draw on Thursday were in fine kink, continuing from where they left off. Lomi put them ahead 1-0 in the 14th minute off a penalty stroke and consolidated it in the 45th minute when he struck again, this time of a penalty corner, reports AAF news agency.

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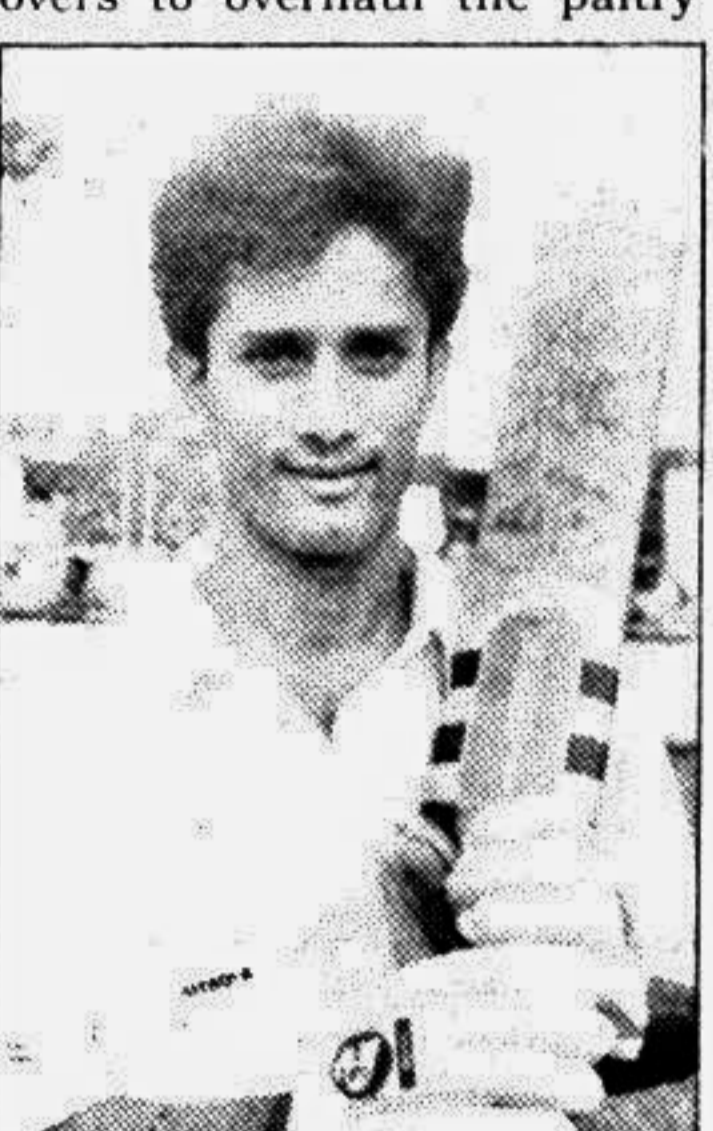
Title stays with Acme

Sports Reporter



An unbeaten 97-run third wicket partnership between skipper Minhazul Abedin and wicketkeeper Khaled Masood enabled co-holders Acme Laboratories to retain the fourth Office cricket league title with an easy eight-wicket victory over Partex Group at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

On the concluding day of the two-day affair, Acme who began the day at 46 for one and needing another 116 runs in 66.4 overs to overhaul the party



MASOOD... 63 n.o.

Partex total of 161, suffered an early blow when they lost opener Harunur Rashid with the addition of 19 runs to the scoreboard.

The right-handed former national opener, who scored 32 runs off 67 balls inclusive of five boundaries, was trapped leg before by left-arm spinner Saifullah Khan.

After Harun's departure, skipper Minhazul joined Khaled and collected the required runs without suffering further loss.

Inform Minhazul was unbeaten on 51 off 87 balls including four fours while Masood, highest scorer of the match, was undefeated on 63 off 159 balls with six boundaries.

Bangladesh Cricket Board treasurer Afzalur Rahman Sinha witnessed the final session of the match and gave away prizes among the winners.

SCOREBOARD

PARTEX GROUP: 161 all out

Table with columns O, M, R, W for bowling stats. Includes Zakir Hossain, Shaifuddin, Saifullah, Sabbir, Sanwar, Iqbal, S Shahed.

ROLL OF HONOUR

Table with columns Champions, Runners-up for years 1993-94 to 1996-97.



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Cricketers now in the city

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Gordon Greenidge, along with his boys, has returned to the city from BKSF yesterday to have a brief conditioning session under floodlights at the Dhaka Stadium.

The West Indian coach of the national cricket team, who is preparing the Bangladesh squad for the forthcoming tri-nation tournament in India, will conduct the two-day training session at the big bowl before returning to the country's lone sports institute at Savar tomorrow.

Bangladesh along with Kenya and the hosts will take part in the over-limit tournament to be held under the lights at seven different venues.

The tournament, to be played on round robin basis, will begin on May 11. Top two finishers will qualify for the final, billed for May 24 at the Eden Gardens.

Schools cricket qualifiers from April 22

Sports Reporter

The Dhaka zonal qualifying round of the 16th national schools cricket championship will commence at different city venues from April 22.

Ninety six teams, splitting into ten groups, will vie in the knock-out first phase from where only the group champions will qualify for the second round. The ten will again, split into two groups, compete for the four available slots for Dhaka for the final phase.

The matches of the first phase will be held at seven different city venues.

The championship will begin at the Dhaka Stadium with Dhanmondi International and Green Herald appearing in the inaugural match on April 22.

Aussies 134/3 in 31.1 overs

Star Sport Monitor

Australia were cruising to a comfortable victory over neighbours New Zealand in the Sharjah Cup cricket tournament yesterday.

Chasing 160 for victory, the Aussies were 134 for three in 31.1 overs.

Earlier, New Zealand skipper Stephen Fleming won the toss only to see his side slide to 159 all out in 48.4 overs.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the opening match of the Coca-Cola cup triangular tournament between India and Pakistan in Sharjah Friday.

INDIA: (Saurav Ganguly 105, Sachin Tendulkar 40; Dion Nash 4/38)

NEW ZEALAND:

Howell c Mongia b Agarkar 0

Astle c Mongia b Prasad 24

Cairns b Prasad 4

Fleming c Kumble b Agarkar 25

Moody c Kumble b Agarkar 19

Horne st Mongia b Singh 46

McMillan lbw b Agarkar 49

Harris c Mongia b Kumble 4

Parore not out 9

Nash b Agarkar 2

Priest c Dejeba b Kumble 10

Doull b Kumble 12

Extras: (b-5, w-6, b-1): 12

Total: (all out 50 overs): 205

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-24; 3-33; 4-85; 5-170; 6-184; 7-186; 8-189; 9-190; 10-205.

Bowling

Agarkar 10 2 35 4

Prasad 8 0 48 2

Kumble 9.5 0 39 3

Harbhajan 10 0 32 1

Ganguly 1 0 4 0

Kanitkar 7 0 29 0

Tendulkar 2 0 13 0

Results: India won by 15 runs

Player-of-the-match: Ajit Agarkar.

Umpires: S A Bucknor, West Indies; Javed Akhtar, Pakistan.

TV Umpire: Ian Robinson, Zimbabwe.

(incomplete)



Acme Laboratories captain Minhazul Abedin receiving the Office cricket league trophy from Bangladesh Cricket Board treasurer Afzalur Rahman Sinha after the final at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Mike starts a la Lara



LONDON, Apr 18: Brian Lara returned to the scene of his historic 501-run innings against

Durham on Friday on the first day of the English county season — but was dismissed for a duck after just eight balls, reports Reuters.

Lara scored his world record 501 not out in 1994, his only previous season with Warwickshire, against Durham at Edgbaston in Birmingham, but the West Indies captain fell victim to a wintry start to the season.

Lara, newly appointed captain of the championship favourites, lost the toss and had to bat, lasting seven balls before he edged a catch from paceman John Wood to wicketkeeper Martin Spight.

Warwickshire, in trouble at 24 for three, recovered to a healthy first innings total of 336, thanks mainly to the first championship century of the season from all-rounder Neil Smith, who scored 113.

Paceman Ed Giddins then celebrated his return from a 20-month ban for failing a drugs test by taking an early Durham wicket to leave them on 17 for one at the close.

Mike Atherton, who resigned as England captain after the 3-1

series defeat at the hands of Lara's West Indies in the close season, continued his dismal run of form with a duck in the first game of the season for Lancashire.

He fell before wicket to Jason Lawry on a rain-soaked day in Hove, his was the only

Derbyshire were 115 for one at the close.

Nasser Hussein, a candidate to become the new England captain, was top scorer for Essex against Worcestershire with 68 out of a total of 257. Worcestershire reached 49 for one in reply.

No play was possible in matches between Kent, last season's runners-up, and Middlesex, or between Surrey and Northamptonshire.

BCF polls today

The election of Bangladesh Chess Federation (BCF) will be held at the National Sports Council premises today, reports UNB.

A total of 106 voters will exercise their franchise to elect 23 officials out of 34 candidates.

The voting will start at 11 am and continue till 5 pm.

Pavel, Black in final

TOKYO, Apr 18: Romanian Andri Pavel cooled off the hot streak of Jan-Michael Gambill with some heavy hitting and deft volleys Saturday, advancing to the final of the Japan Open with a 6-4, 6-3 victory, reports AP.

Pavel, seeded 16th, will meet Zimbabwe's Byron Black, the 10th seed, in Sunday's championship match.

Black reached his second final in two weeks by outmaneuvering No. 12 Daniel Vacek of the Czech Republic, winning seven games in a row from 2-3 in the first set on his way to a 6-3, 7-5 triumph.

SA-SL tie today

Sports Reporter

Hosts South Africa take on world champions Sri Lanka in the last round robin league match of the Standard Bank tri-series limited-over cricket tournament at Blomfontein today.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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CRYPTOQUIP

R V N H N O S M V K Z N K H T N S F O Y A M Z E R N S N Y , * O Z O T F V K E F N X F V X F V O F F A N ,

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I HEARD THERE WAS REALLY A HAWAIIAN BEAUTY SALON CALLED CURL HARBOR.

Today's Cryptoquip clue: Z equals M

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.

The Daily Star TV Guide

Sunday 19th April

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

BTV

3:00 Opening announcement, Al-Quran, Programme summary

3:15 Patriotic song 3:20 Cartoon film: Woody Wood Packer

3:45 Documentary programme 4:00 News 4:45 Moroni 5:15 Open University 6:00 Health programme 6:15 National TV Debate 6:30 News 7:25 Mati o Manush 8:00 News in Bangla 8:30 Poripokh 8:45 Drama series 9:30 Film show: The New Adventure of Robin 10:00 News in English 10:30 Shonirbachito 11:30 News 11:40 Monday's programme summary 11:45 Close down

BBC

6:00am Simpson's World 6:30 BBC World News Followed by Weather 7:00 Hardtalk 7:30 BBC News Followed by Weather 8:00 This Week 8:30 BBC World News Followed by Weather 9:00 India Business Report 9:30 BBC World News Followed by Weather 10:00 World Living: Film '98 10:30

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