

Div III cricket

Sports Reporter

Dilkusha Sporting Club, Sussex Club, New Eagles and Anirban Sangha won their respective Division Third Division cricket league matches at different city venues yesterday.

Dilkusha posted a comfortable 50-run win over Young Pegasus A at the City Club ground.

Opting to bat, in a 40-over-a-side affair, the winners piled up a huge 198 before they were all out in 39.4 overs. Sumon scored highest 31 while Zafar (24) and Johnny (21) were the other notable run-getters.

Kohinoor was the most successful Pegasus bowler finishing with four for 29 while Kamal captured two wickets for 27 runs.

In reply, Young Pegasus were bundled out for 148 in 35.2 overs with Dilkusha's Tarun and Kamrul evenly sharing six wickets among themselves.

At the nearby Mirpur Outer Stadium, an unbeaten half century by Sohail enabled Sussex Club to earn a two-wicket win over Prantik Krira Chakra.

Sohail scored a defiant 73 as Sussex, chasing a fighting Prantik total of 188 in 40 overs, went on to make 191 for eight with ten balls to spare.

Earlier, sent into bat, Prantik's total was built around Munna who hammered highest 60s and 46 by Rubel.

Away at the Mahakali T&T ground, Anirban Sangha pulled off an exciting one-wicket victory over Rayerbazar Sporting Club.

Chasing a modest Rayerbazar total of 171 in 40 overs, Anirban reached their target in 39 overs thanks to an unbeaten 30 from Ramu.

In the day's other match, New Eagles registered a five-run win over Monipur Cricket Club.

Electing to bat Eagles were all out in 39.3 overs after managing a competitive 198. Sohag top-scored with 36 while Sumon and Johnny contributed 33 and 29 respectively.

In reply, Pankaj captured four wickets for 31 runs as Monipur scored 193 in 40 overs.

Batty on FA

ref rap

Ivan Speck

England's World Cup preparations received another hefty jolt yesterday when David Batty was charged with misconduct for assaulting referee David Elleray.

The combative Newcastle midfielder is accused of pushing Elleray during the league game at Blackburn on May 10, moments after being sent off. It was the third time Batty had been dismissed in the season, a record which marked him out as the most undisciplined Premiership player.

The sending-off earned Batty a five-match suspension, to be served at the start of next season. If he is found guilty of assaulting Elleray, a further one-game ban will follow. Batty has 14 days to request a personal hearing in front of an FA panel.

He has protested his innocence over the charge, claiming that his falling arm did not connect with Elleray.

Any hearing would be postponed until after the World Cup. *Courtesy — Daily Mirror, London.*

WC hockey

Dutch dump

Indians

UTRECHT, Netherlands, May 23: (PTI/Reuters): India slumped to their worst defeat going down 0-5 to the Netherlands and dousing any hopes of a semifinal berth from Pool A in the Men's World Cup hockey tournament here last night.

Dutch captain Stephen Veen led the way with his three goals, the last being a brilliant solo effort.

India's defeat was one of their heaviest in a major championship and their second loss to a European side in two days.

They were beaten 4-1 by Germany on Thursday. They made many chances against the Dutch but wasted all of them.

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Ba, Anelka not in Aime's 22

CLAIREFONTAINE, France, May 23: AC Milan's Ibrahim Ba and Arsenal teenager Nicolas Anelka were among six players axed Saturday when French coach Aimé Jacquet announced his squad for the World Cup, reports AP.

Jacquet's squad of 22 players included seven from Italy's Serie A, four from England's Premier League, one from Spain, one from Germany and nine home-based players.

Among the players called up were Zinedine Zidane, of Juventus, Inter Milan's Youri Djorkaeff, Monaco goalkeeper Fabien Barthez and Marseille's Laurent Blanc — all of whom, barring injury, are certain to be the backbone of the team.

There were also call-ups for Arsenal midfield duo Patrick Vieira and Emmanuel Petit, Chelsea's Frant Leboeuf, and defender Bixente Lizarazu, of Bayern Munich.

Auxerre striker Stephane Guivarch and Metz striker Robert Pires — being sought by a number of foreign clubs after impressive performances this season — were also named.

As well as Anelka and Ba, Jacquet dropped Lionel Letizi, Martin Djeter, Pierre Laigle and Sabri Lamouchi. All had

been with the squad during recent training sessions. Jacquet called the six for a meeting Friday night and they



IBRAHIM BA

immediately chose to leave the camp after being told they were not in his plans. One of the

players burst into tears, French newspapers reported. "They wanted to get home as soon as possible and naturally I granted them their wish," Jacquet told a news conference Saturday. "They've accepted the sentence with great dignity."

"France now head for Morocco where they will take part in a tournament next week with the host nation, Belgium and England."

SQUAD

Goalkeepers: Fabien Barthez (AS Monaco), Bernard Lama (West Ham), Lionel Charbonnier (A J Auxerre).

Defenders: Laurent Blanc (Marseille), Vincent Candela (AS Roma), Marcel Desailly (AC Milan), Frank Leboeuf (Chelsea), Lilian Thuram (Parma), Alain Boghossian (Sampdoria), Bixente Lizarazu (Bayern Munich).

Midfielders: Didier Deschamps (Juventus), Christian Karembeu (Real Madrid), Emmanuel Petit (Arsenal), Patrick Vieira (Arsenal), Zinedine Zidane (Juventus), Youri Djorkaeff (Inter Milan).

Strikers: Bernard Diomedé (A J Auxerre), Christophe Dugarry (Marseille), Stephane Guivarch (A J Auxerre), Thierry Henry (A S Monaco), Robert Pires (F C Metz), David Trezeguet (A S Monaco).

Hoddle's noose on the booze

Harry Harris

Glenn Hoddle will impose a strict no-booze regime on his players during the World Cup.

The England coach is determined to establish a fiercely disciplined set-up throughout France and he will stamp out any hint of unprofessionalism.

And there will be no pass-outs from Fortress Hoddle. No parole for those who offend.

Hoddle's stance follows a week of criticism surrounding Paul Gascoigne and his lifestyle.

Hoddle warned: "The players are all under my jurisdiction. We have set guidelines. Anyone who steps beyond them knows what will happen."

Hoddle will strictly monitor alcohol intake, and players will be told when they can have the occasional beer.

They will also be told what to eat, with medical staff designing individually-tailored diets for them. Players will not be able to leave England's HQ individually. They will be allowed out of their hotel on the west coast of France only in groups.

No visitors will be allowed into the hotel without prior authorisation, and there will be strictly no intrusions by the media.

Hoddle wants his players to be in the best possible shape. And he will be following the methods adopted by the best-prepared of the World Cup nations.

"We shall be doing all the

things both on and off the pitch to win the World Cup," said the England coach.

Hoddle reprimanded Gascoigne for a recent two-day drinking binge. Rock star Rod Stewart revealed that Gazza met up with him after drinking a couple of beers with Virgin disc jockey Chris Evans.

Then he began drinking mixtures of spirits which Stewart described as "kamakazis".



GLENN HODDLE

"Players who have grown up with the idea that it was acceptable to drink alcohol immediately after matches have already been told about the new disciplines expected from them."

And a doctor has talked to the squad about their re-fuelling habits.

But if England win the World Cup, Hoddle will throw the biggest booze-up in football history.

Despite the criticism of Gascoigne, he will win a place in the World Cup squad and in the starting line-up against Saudi Arabia today.

This will be Gazza's first start since that famous night in Rome when England qualified for France. "Gazza trains as hard as anybody even if he's not fully fit, and he's looking sharper every day," said Hoddle. "He's gradually getting there. The good thing is that he's now training totally free from injury."

"He is not having to shield the ankle or the knee that has troubled him. No player is ever one hundred per cent but he's got no injury niggles holding him back. So he's had a great week."

"I've told him what I want and he's put the stint in when he's been in the group. And we've been giving him extra training as well."

"We'd have needed to manage him more if he'd been returning from an injury. But it's not that scenario with Paul. He's fully fit and now needs more and more training and sharpening. Over these three games he'll get more football down him that will bring him on to full fitness."

After the ninety minutes against Saudi Arabia, Hoddle's men will make a parade of appreciation.

"It's not a lap of honour, you only do that when you've won a trophy," said the coach.

But this trot round the Wembley perimeter will allow the expected 65,000 crowd to say bon voyage before France. *Courtesy — Daily Mirror, London.*

Everything Oliver touches

turns to gold

FRANKFURT, May 23 (AP): From a Bundesliga journeyman who nearly quit his unremarkable career in frustration, Oliver Bierhoff has turned into a celebrated star with the touch of Midas.

On billboards, on television, in newspapers and magazines, Bierhoff's smile promotes shirts, investment funds, cellular phones, sports shoes and pudding among other things.

"But I wouldn't advertise alcohol and I can't see myself doing detergent advertising," said Bierhoff, who also supports the German sport's anti-drug campaign and also works for UNICEF.

Bierhoff, 30, has the image of a nice, clean guy but he says it's his ability on the field that's made him one of the most visible German sports stars.

Bierhoff's stardom and lucrative sponsorship deals really hit the stratosphere after his sudden-death extra-time or "golden" goal gave Germany the European title at Wembley over the Czech Republic in the 2-1 victory.

A few years ago, though, Bierhoff was contemplating retirement. "After four years in the Bundesliga, I wanted to throw in the towel and go back to studying. But then I thought that perhaps it was too early and that three, four years later I may regret it," Bierhoff said.

He would have. Born in Essen, in the industrial Ruhr Valley, Bierhoff be-

gan his Bundesliga career in 1985 and played for three clubs, Bayer Uerdingen, Hamburger SV and Borussia Moenchengladbach, in an undistinguished five-year span. In 1990, he went to Casino Salzburg in Austria, and finally moved to Italy in 1991, when he joined Ascoli.

With Ascoli's relegation, Bierhoff made his decisive move by joining Udinese in 1995. "That's where I made my breakthrough."

His performances caught the eye of German coach Bert Vogts and Bierhoff was called into the national team when several strikers fell victim to injuries.

Bierhoff, who is still studying business administration, has paid off with 13 goals in 23 games. He had six goals in World Cup qualifying, including a three within six minutes

coming off the bench against Northern Ireland.

His 27 goals led the Serie A in Italy this season. After the World Cup, Bierhoff is moving of AC Milan in a deal estimated at 11 million, dollars making him Germany's most expensive player.

FFF supports Sepp

PARIS, May 23: The French Football Federation (FFF) said Friday that it will support Sepp Blatter's bid to become president of the world governing body, FIFA, reports AP.

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"To print my salary was in poor taste," the 45-year-old Simoes said in a written statement. "I have no intentions of renewing my contract with this country's money."

The contract expires in October. Jamaica Football Federation officials immediately called an emergency meeting with Simoes in an attempt to change his mind.

What's in a jersey number!

JOHANNESBURG, May 23: Crack South Africa striker Benni McCarthy threatened to quit the World Cup squad this week after a row over jersey numbers, reports AFP.

McCarthy, 20, best player and joint leading scorer at the 1998 African Nations' Cup finals in Burkina Faso, has worn the No. 17 shirt at various national levels.

But when team manager Augusto Palacios was allocating numbers ahead of the midweek friendly against Zambia, he handed the No. 17 jersey to Shaun Bartlett.

Former Peru World Cup player Palacios argued that Bartlett, a striker from Cape Town Spurs, had worn that number in the 1996 African Nations' Cup-winning team.

The manager told McCarthy, who moved from Cape Town lower league club Seven Stars to Dutch giants Ajax Amsterdam last year, "He must fight for his jersey and prove himself."

McCarthy reacted angrily: "No man, Augusto, you are not being fair. You know I have always worn this jersey so it is only fair I get it. I am not wearing No. 18, so please give me No. 17."

Palacios refused and only the intervention of South African Football Association president Molefi Oliphant and captain Lucas Radebe of English Premiership club Leeds United prevented Benni quitting.

Bartlett agreed to wear the No. 9 jersey, normally allocated to midfielder John Moelet, who will miss the finals in France next month due to a fractured ankle.

Bayern buy

Daei

APIANO GENTILE, Italy, May 23: Iranian international striker Ali Daei will move to German's Bayern Munich next season, the vice-president of the Iranian soccer federation said today.

"It's official, he has signed with Bayern Munich," Abbas Torabian told Reuters at Inter Milan's training camp at Apiano Gentile in Northern Italy.

Daei is currently at Germany's Arminia Bielefeld, who finished bottom of the Bundesliga and will play in the Second Division next season.

Germany sports agency SID reported earlier this month that a deal had been reached for a four-million-mark (2.3 million dollars) transfer fee.

Exit Haessler, enter Moeller

PARIS, May 23: For a long time Andreas Moeller was considered "too soft" to make it big in German football, reports AFP.

That has changed over the years as Moeller took a leadership role at Borussia Dortmund and, to some degree, within the German national team.

Today he is Bert Vogts' preferred midfield option, edging out another 1990 World Cup veteran in Thomas Haessler.

Moeller's job is to act as Germany's midfield general. He sprays passes into the path of sprinting strikers, orders his teammates into position and pulls them back when the opposition start to move downfield.

Moeller is dangerous near goal. He is happy to shoot on sight and has surprised many a keeper with his deft flicking of free kicks over opposition walls.

A fierce battle broke out this season when new Dortmund coach Navio Scale tried to make a striker out of Moeller.

The German refused point blank and the pair were embroiled in several heated exchanges in the dressing room.

But Moeller won and because of it still has his place in Germany's squad.

There is strong competition from Haessler to take over Germany's playmaker role in the midfield but good performances by 30-year-old Moeller in this year's batch of pre-World Cup friendlies have seen him get the nod.

On the negative side Moeller can be very moody. He reacts badly to criticism and has been known to stomp off when he felt his football genius was unappreciated.

Moeller has also had a reputation in the past for tricking referees into awarding unjust penalties with clever dives in the penalty area.

One of his finest attributes is his pace. Though sometimes a little selfish he also has a certain elegance to his on-field demeanour-all-round Andreas Moeller is an intelligent player.

Shrewd Simoes?

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Romario hurt in practice

OZOIR LA FERRIERE, France, May 23 (AP/Xinhua): Eight hours after jetting in from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil's World Cup squad trained together for the first time Friday.

Though the world champions and tournament favourites

but Romario was likely to be rested for the friendly against Spanish side Real Betis on May 31.

The only player who did not take part in the session was Roberto Carlos.

The Real Madrid star, limping heavily as he walked of the players coach, is still nursing an injury to his left leg that he



Brazilian superstar Ronaldo stretching during practice session at Ozoir La Ferriere in eastern Paris on May 22.

— AP/UNB photo

only landed in Paris at 8:00 am local time after an 11-hour flight, coach Mario Zagallo put the players through a 75-minute workout mid afternoon at the team's World Cup base in Ozoir La Ferriere.

However, veteran striker Romario strained a calf muscle according to Brazilian media reports.

Romario broke off training and headed straight for the dressing room.

Team doctor Lidio Toledo said the injury was not serious

sustained during Wednesday night's Champions League Cup final in Amsterdam.

But officials have no worries over his fitness for the team's opening match against Scotland on 10 June.

"I will be back in training in a few days," the player said.

More than 2,000 people lined the streets of this small town east of Paris to welcome the world champions, though tight security ensured that only the scores of camera crews and press witnessed the training

session.

"We are very happy to finally be together," said Brazil midfielder Leonardo. "But it is not easy to be favourite. There is a lot of responsibility to win, so we will have to concentrate at all times."

"It's true that we are favourites but everyone starts from zero," he said.

Milan midfielder Leonardo, one of nine veterans from the successful 1994 team, is one of several players on the fringe of a first team place.

"I am desperate to play but there are 22 great players here. I have experience of the World Cup so I hope that will help," he said.

Brazil, which arrived in France earlier than any other World Cup team, is confident of retaining its crown won in the United States.

"We are in good shape for the World Cup," said star striker Ronaldo. "We will finish our tactical preparations within a few days and be ready to go."

Last year's

leaders

on song

LONDON, May 23: Glamorgan, Kent and Worcestershire, the top three teams in last season's English county championship, reassessed themselves by piling up huge scores on the second day of their current matches on Friday, reports Reuters.

None of the three had started the season well, but champions Glamorgan ran up 563 against Northamptonshire. Kent reached 495 against Durham and Worcestershire battered Middlesex for 627 for six — the highest total of the season.

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1. Mario Kempes was the highest scorer in the WC of 1974 1978 1982

2. The youngest-ever WC winner is Batista Pele Rossi

3. W-Germany beat Argentina in the 1990 WC final by 1-0 2-1 3-2

4. In the 1930 WC finals the number of teams was 13 15 16

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