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Aime Jacquet (Former French soccer

coachl "The World Cup was a moment of national communion."

## Fang joining

SHANGHAI, Aug 3: Defender Fang Zhiyi of China's 1997 Premier league runners-up Shenhua will play for English First Division club Crystal Palace, the Xinmin sports weekly said today, reports

Fang, who was named China's best player in 1995 when Shenhua were the nation's Premier league champions, was expected to be in England late this month, the weekly said.

Crystal Palace advised Shenhua of a transfer payment of 700,000 dollars, a high price for an Asian footballer, according to the weekly.

But a Shenhua official said the matter was still under discussion. He declined to give further details.

Crystal Palace, relegated to the First Division after finishing at the bottom of the Premier league last season, has been looking to regroup for the next season.

Computer software millionaire Mark Goldberg completed a 36 million dollar takeover of the club in June.

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Brazil's Fernando

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Popov. He is the best swimmer

Scherer and the World All-

Stars won the team title under

the unusual Goodwill dual meet

format by beating Germany 85-

37 to finish undefeated. Russia

edged the United States 63-59

Popov beat Pilczuk to avenge

a 50m freestyle defeat at the

World Championships in Jan-

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snapped the two-time reigning

Olympic 50m and 100m

freestyle champion's seven-

22.27 seconds, would have

taken the world title but was

only second overall here to

Scherer's 22.18 effort earlier in

the day for the World All-Stars

in their dual meet against Ger-

"I was excited about my time

in the 50," Scherer said. "But I

was also a little disappointed

with my last stroke. I missed

the walf and had to reach. I was

happy but I was so close to going

South African Peter Williams

as the fourth-best 50m freestyle

performer in history, trailing

only Popov and Americans

"Honestly I was really sur-

Popov's reaction time was

Tom Jager and Matt Biondi.

prised to see him go that fast."

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Popov said of Scherer. "That's

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(Hand # 57)

reports AFP.

two amazing efforts.

I always have to swim fast." swimming titles at Sydney. Pilczuk, disappointed with his time, named Scherer as the Scherer emerged as a major top threat to Popov, saying, "He threat to Popov's reign here has a new rivalry with Fer-Sunday on the last day of the nando. He didn't care about me Goodwill Games, winning the as much. I think he wanted to 50-metre freestyle title and

Perth.

catch Fernando, though." rendering Popov's 100m Based on previous days' freestyle victory hollow with times, Popov won the 100m title in 48.86 seconds, edging "I know I can break the world record in both events," Scherer by 5/100s of a second. Scherer said. "I will train Neither man swam the event harder than I did for this. Sunday as part of team strategy loved the meet. It was the best

### Costa clinches Generali Open

"All the races were pretty

tough. I'm pretty tired," Popov

said. "I never have an easy time.

KITZBUHEL, Aug 3 (Reuters/ !:.ternet): Third seed Albert Costa of Spain claimed his second championship of the year today with a five-set win over seventh-seeded Andrea Gaudenzi of Italy in the finals of the \$525,000 Generali Open in Kitzbuhel, Austria.

Costa used the 6-2, 1-6, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1 victory to capture the \$62,400 first-place prize and his first crown since the German Open in May. He also had to retire in the final of the Italian Open a week later.

The 23-year-old Costa has won eight career titles and all of them have come on clay, including this event in 1995. He eliminated 16th-seeded Argentinian Franco Squillari, 7-5, 1-6, 6-3, in Saturday's semifinal.

Gaudenzi, appearing in his second final of the season, had dispatched sixth seed Francisco Clavet of Spain, 6-2, 2-6, 6-2, in the semifinals. Gaudenzi won the Grand Prix Hassan II in March for his sixth career ti-

Marcelo Rios of Chile was the top seed in this event but was forced to withdraw due to an injury. Second seed Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia, who snapped his four-match losing streak on Tuesday in the second round, was ousted in the third round by Nicolas Lapentti.

to save their strength for later

THIS CLOSE: Brazilian Fernando Scherer must be a bit disappointed as he shows that he just missed a world record

relays. But Scherer diminished Popov's title by opening the World Team's 4x100 freestyle relay in 48.69 seconds, the fourth-fastest 100m freestyle time in history. Only Popov's 1994 world record of 48.21 and two 1988 efforts by Biondi have been faster.

"I need to keep training. break the world record next year and see what happens at the Olympics," Scherer said.

But Brazil's biggest star was Scherer, who won 1996 Olympic bronze in the 50 freestyle and was fifth in the Atlanta 100 freestyle.

His showings slid to eighth in the 50 free and 17th in the 100 free in January's world meet at Perth after the Olympics," Scherer said. " stopped for six months with a problem in my shoulders and knees. Right before the worlds 1 lost my power. I lost my power. I lost my muscle. I'm here now."

Ukranian Denis Sylantiyev swam the fourth fastest 200 butterfly in history, 1:56.16, to win the overall title in the event and help push a collection of swimmers from 12 nations to a team triumph.

"These guys swam better together than they would have as individuals. They fed off each other." world coach Sam Frears said. "I doubt the Goodwill Games will ever have the world team again. If you are too good you never get asked back."

The day's only other 1998 best swim came from American Kurt Grote, a 2:13.16 to claim overall gold in the 200 breaststroke. The lackluster US effort was attributed to having national championships open in nine days.

Goodwill officials denied South Africa's Penny Heyns the 50.000-dollar bonus advertised for world records because the 50m breaststroke mark she set Saturday was not in one of the 14 events in the Goodwill meet.

Heyns was given 10,000 dollars for the 30.95-second effort. which came on her way to a 100m breaststroke triumph.

Rik Neethling was South Africa's only men's event champion, winning the 800 freestyle title with a meet best of 8:01.01.

Spaniard Albert Costa shows off the Generali Open trophy

after beating Andrea Gaudenzi of Italy in the final in

- AP/UNB photo

Kitzbuhel, Austria on Aug 2.

### African Nations' Cup qualifiers

JOHANNESBURG, Aug 3: Benin struck a blow for the minnows at the start of the African Nations' Cup qualifiers, but there were few others surprises in the preliminary round, first leg matches, reports Reuters.

Two first-half goals from Omar Tchomago helped the small West African country to a 2-1 win over Angola in Cotonou on Sunday and a rare win at international level.

Even then, the away goal from Angolan strike Chichangala in the 35th minute could prove vital when the two countries meet in the return leg

game in Luana on August 16. Benin's win was the only upset among 14 matches played across the continent as the elimination for the finals in Zimbabwe in 2000 got under-

Liberia, with both George Weah and James Debbah in their line-up, also got a vital away goal in in going down 2-1

to Niger In Niamey. Musa Massa scored three minutes from time to offer Liberia a relatively easy task in their return match in Monrovia

in two weeks. Burundi's Jean-Marie Mbuyi scored the only goal of their match against Tanzania in Bujumbura on Sunday but they were forced to play without three key European-based play-

There were disappointing debuts for the tiny countries of Djibouti and Sao Tome principle, both making their debuts in PALO ALTO, Calithe Nations' Cup qualifiers.

Djibouti lost 3-0 to Kenya on Friday and Sao Tome, playing their home match against Togo in neutral Gabon because of their lack of a stadium, were beaten 4-0 on Sunday.

It was the first international for Sao Tome, an island nation off the West African coast, in 11 years while Djibouti were playing only their second official international since the Red Sea state joined FIFA four years

Equatoria Guinea were also beaten on home soil, going down 2-0 to Gabon. It is only the second time Equatoria Guinea have played in the Nations' Cup qualifiers.

The preliminary round matches will be concluded later this month to decide the teams to go through to the group phase of the qualifiers, which start in October.

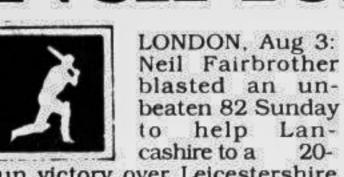
### Corbitt has cancer

Despite his illness, Corbitt continued playing until Sunday - and was in good enough touch to score four goals to help his Perth team, Victoria Park panthers, to a 5-3 win in a local game.

"I was a bit emotional, but I have not played or felt better in three years," he said.

Corbitt was also a member of the Australian team which won World Cup bronze in lpoh in 1990 and Sidney in 1994.

## Neil leads Lancs' way



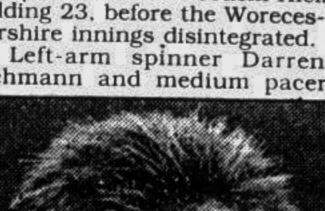
blasted an unbeaten 82 Sunday to help Lanrun victory over Leicestershire at Old Trafford which took his

of the AXA League, reports AFP Leicestershire appeared on target to pass Lancashire's 183 for seven when Vince Wells (49), Phil Simmons (27) and Ben Smith (35) laid a solid foundation of 135 for two by the 31st

But Peter Martin and Ian Austin then took three wickets apiece, which sent the visitors crashing to 163 all out with two balls remaining of their allotted 40 overs.

Yorkshire moved to within six points of the joint leaders as Worcestershire slumped from 135 for two to 168 all out, England star Darren Gough's four wickets in 11 balls helping his side to a 34-run victory at New

Skipper Tom Moody (47) and Vikram Solanki (38) put on 74 for the first wicket, with num-



NEIL FAIRBROTHER Anthony McGrath began the collapse by taking two wickets apiece, before Gough (four for

ber three batsman Graem Hick adding 23, before the Woreces-111 between Matthew Wood (64)



30) polished off the tail. A third-wicket stand worth

and Lehmann (59) had earlier propelled Yorkshire to 202 for career-best five for 30.

nine, despite the efforts of Bobby Champman, who took a Hampshire are level on points with Yorkshire after

four batsmen scored half-centuries to power their side to a seven-wicket triumph over Durham at Southampton. Matthew Cassar struck an

unbeaten 67 off 65 balls to guide Derbyshire to a comfortable eight-wicket win against Kent Cassar and veteran opener

Kim Barnett (46 n.o.) shared an unbeaten stand of 99 as the hosts reached their target of 156 with 5.1 overs to spare.

England bowler Dominic Cork's three for 26 had slowed down Kent's progress as they stumbled to 155 for eight, Will House top-scoring with 38.

An opening stand of 74 be-tween prolific batsman Mal Loye (43) and Rob Bailey (32) set Northamptonsnhire on their way to a five-wicket win against Nottinghamshire with 16 balls to spare.

## Curtain falls on Goodwill

NEW YORK, Aug 3 (AP): When Games telecasts on the WTBS Certainly, there are the the Goodwill Games settled in averaged 1.5, slightly higher Olympic Games and the World New York for 15 days, Ted Turner's mini-Olympics had three primary objectives. Fortunately, none of them

involved making money. Michael Plant, president of the Games, said their intention was to produce interesting and compelling television through sports, give New York and Long island a peek at world-class athletes, and generate programmes and financial resources for children.

The games accomplished all of that, although most of it was done in privacy.

Even though high-profile names were sprinkled throughout the competition, they proved to be a tough sell. Even Olympians such as Todd Eldredge and Michelle Kwan could only attract 5,000 fans to the figure skating at Nassau Coliseum. Only when organisers cut upper-level ticket prices to 5 dollar were they able to sell out the building.

"Looking at New York, we were not naive enough to believe that we would sell out ... every night," Plant said. "This is a very busy time of year — and a challenging market in which to generate spectators. It takes a while to develop a following here. Overall, we think we have accomplished the objective of maximizing the number of spectators.",

Television provided better numbers for the organisers. Through Wednesday, Goodwill than for Atlanta Braves games on the superstation and up 25 per cent from the 1994 games in St. Petersburg, Russia.

For their part, the big-name athletes came through.

Kwan and Eldredge won gold medals with sparkling performances. So did the other major players, including Michael Johnson, Jackie Joyner-Kersee and Dan O'Brien in track and field; Cuban heavyweight boxer Felix Savon; swimmers Jenny Thompson and Alexander Popov; and the US basketball, wrestling and women's soccer

Their successes, however,

must be balanced with the

tragic accident that left Chinese gymnast Sang Lan paralysed and cast a pall over that competition. There was also a brief political protest that interrupted the United States-Iran wrestling match. Sang remains in Mount Sinai Hospital, beginning re-

habilitation for her spinal cord injury. Doctors have said it is unlikely she will ever walk again. Her tragedy created more

attention than many of the athletic events. Plant, however, remained

upbeat about the Games. "International sport is something that very few companies are putting forth the effort to support," he said. "We

provide an opportunity for

world class athletes to compete.

Championships and other types of competitions, but it drops off significantly from there. These games are an important franchise of the Time Warner com-

So the Games press on, with the next edition set for 2001 in Brisbane, Australia. There will be 12 sports plus surf-lifesaving instead of 15, with wrestling, water polo, synchronized swimming and soccer dropped, and the Games will last 12 days instead of 15.

There also are plans for a winter edition, the first probably in lake Placid, New York, in

Plant said Goodwill officials will have an operational plan in place for Brisbane within six months and a joint marketing plan set by March 1. That means that despite the

losses, Turner and Time Warner are happy with the event, which generated 5 million dollars for the Boys & Girls Clubs and UNICEF, its target charities. "We always use the word "in-

vestment," Plant said when asked about losses. "We still believe at the end of the day, this will be the most financially successful Games.

"We will not discuss any final tally of revenue or expenses, as is the policy with any other project of the company. The people at the top are pleased with results of the '98 Games."

And that's why there will be Goodwill again in 2001.

But Williams serve is fast be-

coming one of the most danger-

with a blazing delivery on Sat-

urday, Williams smoked 15 aces

against Davenport previously

unheard of in women's tennis.

But she also had control prob-

lems, landing just 50 per cent of

her first serves in play and

committing nine double faults.

After confounding Seles

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# Lindsay outslugs Venus



fornia, Aug 3: Top seed Lindsay Davenport roared back from a 0-3

third-set deficit in searing heat to claim a hardfought victory over third seed Venues Williams in the final of the Bank of the West Classic on Sunday, reports Reuters.

In a seesaw battle between two towering, overpowering players, Davenport bore down late in the match to pull out a 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 victory in two hours and 20 minutes.

The third-ranked Davenport, who beat Steffi Graf in the semifinals, was brimming with confidence after her victory in the all-American final and declared herself ready to make a run at the world number one ranking.

"I've been very consistent this year and maybe I should have won a few more tournaments, but if I play like I did this week, I feel my chance at number one is pretty good," said Davenport, who has won three of her 15 career titles in her

a less-than-friendly history with Williams.

Last year. Davenport publicly criticised the teenager's attitude, claiming Williams ignored a greeting and turned away from her. Williams denied the snub at the time and Davenport said their relationship has improved. "Venus is a lot more friendly

now," said Davenport, who leads their rivalry 4-1. "She was trying to be so intimidating back then, but she has eased up on it now.

Davenport, 22, backed up her seeding in the 95-degree (35c) heat with explosive crosscourt returns and huge serves down the tee to frustrate her 18-yearold opponent, who was coming off an explosive victory of her own over Monica Seles. Williams came out firing but

squandered three break points in the second game, and it was Davenport who came up with the critical first service break to go up 4-3. The 6-foot-3 (1.90 m) Daven-

Williams also has some physical difficulties, calling for the trainer while trailing at 1-2 and again at 3-4 for leg prob-Williams came back and

immediately broke Davenport to reach 4-4 and took the second set with another break, when the top seed hit three shots into The speedy third seed rode that momentum to a 3-0 lead in

the final set, but Davenport battled back, winning six of the last seven games and closing it out with a backhand missile down the line.

the 6-foot-2 (1.87m) Williams double faulted in the third game.

#### port ended the first set with her money shot, a blistering crosshome state of California. court forehand, and claimed an "Hardcourts are what I grew early break in the second when up on," said Davenport, who has PERTH. Australia. Aug 3: Former Australian Olympic hockey star Greg Corbitt confirmed here today !: nas cancer CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer and will enter hospital in Perth this week for removal of a ma-ACROSS buddy 2 "Awaiting Dawber lignant tumour, reports AFP. 23 Spasm 1 Mid-May 40 Places in Corbitt, 26, a member of the 24 Court the heart 3 Stereo honorees Australian side which won the alternative 25 His job is 5 Upon: 43 Colonial's silver medal at the Barcelona 4 Joison on the line Olympics in 1992, said the canprefix 8 Burn a bit 47 Where 26 Eventual song cer had been detected during a routine drug test in Sydney 12 Admit 5 Whodunit there's a lot 27 Manmore than a month ago. 13 Flop of hangaward 6 Sound of mouse link 14 Montserrat ups? He said he was lucky he had 28 Wall Street 49 Hawaiian contentbeen picked by the Australian 15 Gabrielle's resort Sports Drug Agency for random 50 Entertainer 7 — Amin 29 Aachen drug tests on June 21. 16 Some big Adams article The agency was rarely guys pass 51 Bob Hope's hespital 31 Entreat thanked by athletes, but its 34 Tended 9 Aesopian backup, tests could save his life, he said. 18 Cage texts also-ran "Had they not asked for a 35 Loud 10 Bard's 52 Golden compourine sample. I would have conoutburst Rule word waterway tinued to live my life without 20 Without a 53 Off the 11 McNally's 36 Legume knowing I have cancer until it holder break block was too late," he said. 37 Heated 54 Beach-17 "Let's 21 Corn Make a controgoer's goal A philosophical Corbitt said 22 Finger 55 Je ne — Deal\* versy his illness was just another CRYPTOQUIP 39 Vitamin C choice tood? challenge he had to overcome. DOWN 19 Cudgel 23 Chirp "I have no doubt I will make 40 Dogfight OESXA NZLF TRABF 1 Long skirt 22 Actress 26 Oft-F M K a full recovery and will be back combatscanned Solution time: 24 mins. playing next year," he said. AXTA OEUEUS EV GOLD TUG CALI AREA USA INON SEAN REDCROSS POPGUNESECRET 30 "And — the

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