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1	National cricket team captain Aminul Islam will play this season for
2	Who won the Premier league cricket title last season?
3	Mohammedan [Kalabagan] Abahani
4	How many teams play in the Premier cricket league?
5	10 8 12
6	How many overs will be played per side in the Premier league this season?
7	50 80 100
8	How many venues will be used for the Premier league this year?
9	One Two Three
10	Name
11	Class
12	School Address
13	Phone: (if any)

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SPORTS TALK



Shane Warne
(Aussie leg-spinner)

"I'll be saying the same things that I said four years ago, nothing's changed since then."

Rimi Cup soccer Bangladesh joint champs

Bangladesh under-14 team and Mumbai Mahindra Club were declared joint champions in the Silver Rimi Cup football tournaments when their final encounter ended in a 8-8 draw in a tie-breaker in Sylhet, India on Sunday, reports APB.

The match crawled into tie-break as the allotted time ended in a 0-0 draw at the Kanchan Jangha Stadium.

Bikash Ghosh, Mayor of Sylhet distributed trophies among the winners.

Kallis instead of Younis

CARDIFF, Wales, Dec 21: South African all-rounder Jacques Kallis has replaced Pakistan fast bowler Waqar Younis as Glamorgan's overseas player for 1999, reports AP.

Although the Western Province player will not be available during the five week-long World Cup in May and June during the first half of the county championship, Glamorgan can Kallis as a great asset. He will team up with the county's Western Province coach, Duncan Fletcher.

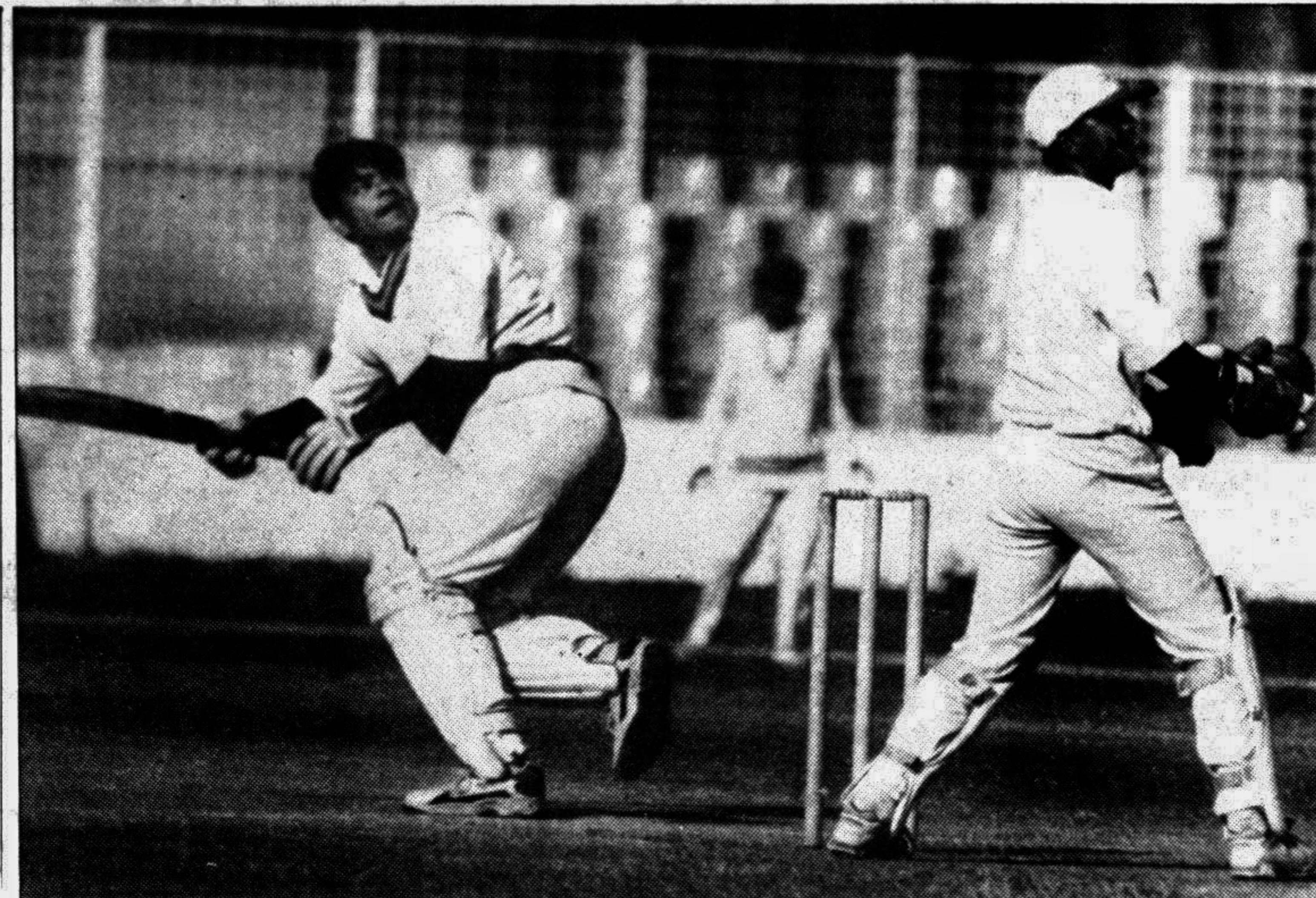
Glamorgan captain Matthew Maynard said he has no doubts about the value of signing Kallis, who spent the 1997 season with Middlesex.

"Magnificent — just about the best we could have made," Maynard said. "Jacques has proved in the last 18 months or so just what a good all-round cricketer he is — be it Test matches or one-day internationals — and he is still only 24 years old."

"With Tony Cottey and Gary Butcher having left, we have moved quickly to strengthen the side, and I have no doubt at all that Jacques will make a significant impact with us."

Maynard said he wasn't worried if Kallis might not be available for a long period if South Africa have a good run in the World Cup.

"I'm not too concerned," he said. "We know that even if South Africa make the final he is going to be available to play in two-thirds of our matches — perhaps more — and such is his talent and commitment he is bound to make a massive contribution."



Ajax tail-ender Aminul Islam anxiously watching Halim Shah (not in picture) catching his misjudged flick during yesterday's play of their Premier Division cricket league encounter at the Bangabandhu Stadium. —Star photo

Tourists amass big lead



HOBART, Dec 21: England amassed a 342-run lead with eight second innings wickets in hand with one day to play in their fourth Ashes Test leadup match against an Australian XI at Bellerive Oval here today, reports AFP.

At stumps, England were relishing batting against the depleted Australian bowling to be 166 for two. Earlier, the Australians declared at 293 for four, 176 runs behind England's first innings of 469 for six declared.

The second-string Australians have three frontline bowlers on the wounded list, Michael Kasprowicz, Paul Reiffel and Gavin Robertson.

Medium-pacer Stuart Law became Brendon Julian's unlikely new-ball partner in England's second innings.

Stand-in England captain Mike Atherton, having hit a career-best double century in the first innings, dropped down the order to give some much-needed batting practice to his fellow out-of-form Lancastrian John Crawley to open the innings in his place.

Crawley was soon flourishing, especially when Australian XI skipper Darren Lehmann, recalled to the Australian side for Saturday's fourth Ashes Test in Melbourne, put himself on and the Englishman plundered 18 off his opening over of left-arm spinners.

Lehmann eventually got revenge when Crawley was given lbw trying to reverse sweep for 63 off 52 balls. He and Butcher put on 118 in 72 minutes.

With Crawley's departure the tempo dropped. Ben Hollioake was promoted and in a desperate search for form, treated the bowlers with more respect than they deserved.

Hollooake still didn't survive, falling to part-time spinner Matthew Elliott just before the end.

His comparative inactivity probably cost Butcher his century in the twilight.

Earlier, Greg Blewett again emphasised his credentials for a Test recall with another big century.

But there is no place in the foreseeable future for the Australian opener in the Australian team with Mark Taylor and Michael Slater averaging 33 and 50 respectively in the first three Tests and No 3 Justin Langer topping the team's averages with 67.

Blewett's unbeaten 169 was the highlight of the third day of the match which, with two declarations already on a friendly pitch, is becoming a festival romp.

All morning, when the cricket was serious, Blewett and Elliott showed why they are the best non-Test opening pair in the world.

By the time Elliott got a lead edge to Hollioake and was out for 81, the pair had put on 206 in 249 minutes.

A mini-collapse followed, however, Corey Richards going for a duck and Lehmann for a lone boundary.

Law (21) steadied the innings before being caught near tea.

Shortly after Lehmann declared in an effort to breathe life into a match that has been dominated by the bat.

A week ago Blewett hit 152 here for South Australia in a Sheffield Shield game against

ENGLAND: First innings 469 for 6 dec.

AUSTRALIA XI: First innings (overnight 30 for no wicket)

Elliott c Tudor b Hollioake 81

Blewett not out 169

Richards lbw b Hollioake 0

Lehmann c Atherton b Cork 4

Law Butcher b Ramprakash 21

Bevan not out 18

Extras: (b-1, lb-3, nb-14) 18

Total (for 4 wickets dec. in 77 overs): 293

Fall of wkt: 1-206; 2-207; 3-212; 4-278.

Bowler: O M R W

Tudor 14 3 54 0

Fraser 20 3 53 0

Such 15 1 62 0

Cork 11 3 33 1

Hollooake 10 1 55 2

Ramprakash 6 0 29 1

Hick 1 0 3 0

ENGLAND: Second innings

Butcher not out 85

Crawley lbw b Lehmann 63

B Hollioake c Blewett b Elliott 17

Cork not out 0

Extras: (nb-1) 1

Total (for 2 wkt in 37 overs): 166

Fall of wkt: 1-118; 2-164.

Bowler: O M R W

Julian 7 2 23 0

Law 8 1 36 0

Lehmann 7 1 45 1

Bevan 10 1 47 0

Elliott 5 0 15 1

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa, Dec 21 (Reuters/Internet):

South Africa A made a subdued start to their first innings in the third day of their four-day tour match against the West Indies in Pietermaritzburg on Monday.

The home side were 65 for one at tea — a runrate of 2.09 an over — in reply to the West Indies' 375 as the match moved towards a stalemate in the wake of play on the first two days being restricted to 83 overs by bad light and rain.

At the crease were Sven Koenig, on 24 not out and Ashwell Prince at 16.

Boeta Dippenaer was out, having driven expansively at a ball from Mervyn Dillon to be caught by Carl Hooper at second slip for 17 in the 18th over.

The tourists were dismissed with the last ball before lunch, which also ended Shivanarie Chanderpaul's innings of 182.

The West Indies resumed on 256-6 and lost Rawl Lewis in the third over of the day when, on eight, he was caught at second slip by Shafiek Abrahams off medium-pace Justin Kemp.

An hour into the morning's play Nixon McLean was trapped in front by left-arm wrist spinner Paul Adams after scoring 25

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