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Column One

## McGrath clips Lankan wings

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-110

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

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Win attractive prizes

Competition closes at 8 pm

Jan 29 '99 and draw shortly afterwards

The margin of Australia's recent Ashes series win was

3-1 4-1 4-0

Who is the number one player in women's tennis at the moment?

Hingis Lindsay Venus

The final of the 1st Asian Test Championship will be held in

Dhaka Calcutta Colombo

The eighth SAF Games will be held in

India Sri Lanka Nepal

How many teams are taking part in the Janakantha Premier cricket league?

10 12 14

Name .....

Class ..... Roll No. ....

School Address .....

Phone: (If any) .....

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**SPORTS TALK**



**Mark Taylor**

(Australia Test captain)  
One thing that not playing the one-dayers has done is given me a chance to get away from the game and make a good value decision rather than a hasty one."

**SAF tourney**

**BFF picks 31**

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) yesterday announced a list of 31 players to prepare for the forthcoming SAF tournament, reports UNB.

The tournament will be held in the Indian city of Goa in March.

The training camp will begin on January 31 at BKSP in Savar under Iraqi coach Samir Shaqir. The players have been requested to report to the BFF office on January 30 at 4 pm.

**The players are:** Aminul Haq (Mukti Joddha), Biplob (Abahani), Tony (Arambagh), Shimul (Victoria), Hasan Al Mamun, Jewel Rana, Rajony (Abahani), Masud Rana (Mukti Joddha), Parvez Babu, Lajuk (Badda Jagaran), Gobinda (Brothers), Nazrul, Alfaaz (Mohammedan), Iqbal (Mukti Joddha), Zakir Hossain (Abahani), Rabi (Mukti Joddha), Matir Rahman Munira (Mohammedan), Masud Haider, Pavel (Badda Jagaran), Monwar (Fakirpore), Arman (Mohammedan), Shourav Raja (Abahani), Tushar (Arambagh), Nakib (Mukti Joddha), Don (Mohammedan), Amin Rana (Abahani), Walid (Badda Jagaran), Moni (Fakirpore), Tipu (Abahani) and Khokon (Badda Jagaran).

**Holder defends Samaranch**

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Jan 24: International Olympic Committee (IOC) member Marc Holder defended IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch of Saturday over his handling of the Salt Lake City corruption crisis that has rocked the movement, reports AFP.

Holder, who first exposed the bribery scandal that has implicated at least 13 members of the IOC, said Samaranch should stay in his role.

Holder, from Switzerland, said: "He (Samaranch) must stay. If he goes in these circumstances then I must go too. If the honest people go what will remain of the IOC? It's the corrupt people who must go. That's what is going to happen."



ADELAIDE, Jan 24 (Reuters/Internet): Australian fast bowler Glenn McGrath took his one-day best of five for 40 to send Sri Lanka sliding to an 80-run defeat in their tri-series match on Sunday.

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The lanky paceman dispatched five of the top six batsmen in the order in his 10 overs, helping to reduce Sri Lanka to 53 for six at one stage.

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His figures passed his previous limited-overs best of five for 52 against Pakistan at Lahore in 1994-95. At one point on Sunday, he had five for 19 off 40 balls.

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One run later he had Marvan Atapattu caught by captain Shane Warne for a duck. Then followed opener Sanath Jayasuriya for 12, caught by Brendon Julian, to leave Sri Lanka reeling at 30 for three after 6.2 overs.

The slide continued as paceman Adam Dale, providing effectively economical support, removed Mahela Jayawardene taking the final two wickets.

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## SAARC bridge entry invited

Sports Reporter

The 2nd SAARC bridge tournament, organised by the Bangladesh Bridge Federation, will begin from February 4 at the Hotel Sheraton Ballroom. The competition will be held in pair duplicate bridge.

Fourteen men's and eight women's teams from India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and hosts Bangladesh will take part in the six-day meet, the first international tournament being organised by the federation.

Bangladesh will be represented by four men's and two women's teams, and approximately forty pairs.

Interested pairs have been invited to enter the tournament by contacting Sakahuddin (Phone 9347567) by January 31; entry fee Tk. 1000 per pair.

## Ranatunga in hot water

ADELAIDE, Jan 24: Sri Lanka captain Arjuna Ranatunga is to face an International Cricket Council (ICC) code of conduct hearing on Monday, reports Reuters.

A spokesman for the Australian Cricket Board (ACB) said today the hearing would be held in Adelaide.

It was not known what charges Ranatunga would face.

The hearing will be in front of match referee for the triangular limited over tournament Peter van der Merwe, the spokesman said.

It follows Saturday's controversial limited over match between Sri Lanka and England in which Sri Lankan spinner Muttiah Muralitharan was called for throwing.

Ranatunga led his players off the Adelaide Oval in protest after Australian umpire Ross Emerson no-balled Muralitharan on the fourth ball of his second over.

Play was halted for about 12 minutes and a visible angry Ranatunga and Emerson could be seen pointing fingers at each other. Ranatunga also pointed his finger at Van der Merwe during the delay.

Ranatunga went on to post a one wicket win in a match that also featured several clashes between players from the two teams.

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