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## Column One

### BOOST sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

#### Competition-112

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

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Competition closes at 8 pm

March 12 '99 and draw shortly afterwards

1 Who is the new Real Madrid soccer coach?

Hiddink Toshack Sacchi

2 Pakistan won the hockey series against India by

5-1 6-3 4-3

3 Who is the first woman referee to officiate a First Division soccer match?

Danielle Carolina Janet

4 Who won the boys' singles title in the ITF tourney in Rajshahi?

Chang Weaver Wala

5 How many players are taking part in the United Insurance GM chess tourney?

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### SPORTS TALK



#### Evander Holyfield

(World heavyweight champion)

"I have talked about trying to

achieve greatness. I want to be

the very best I can be."

#### WHIZZ KID-111 Boost winner Nushrat Jahan

(Ispahani Girls' High School, Dhaka)

(Please bring your ID card and a passport size attested photograph while collecting the winner's prize from the Sport Desk of The Daily Star on March 3 at 7:30 pm.)

#### WHIZZ KID 111 correct answers

1. Who was the man-of-the-match in the first Indo-Pak Test?

A Tendulkar

2. How many Tests has Mark Taylor played?

A 104

3. South Africa won the Test series against West Indies

A 5-0

4. How many centuries have so far been scored in the Jamaican League?

A 29

5. Who clinched the sub-junior chess title?

A Rajib

#### WHIZZ KID-110 winner



Ali Irtiza  
(Rifles Public School and College)

#### Carlinhos new Flamengo coach

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb 26 Flamengo appointed Carlinhos as coach for the fourth time on Tuesday, reports Reuters.

Veteran Evaristo de Macedo, sacked by the Rio de Janeiro club 24 hours earlier, promptly took over at Corinthians.



Belarussian Grand Master Yuri Shulman (R) makes a move during his encounter against Bangladeshi IM Reeft-bin Sattar in the fourth United Insurance GM chess tourney yesterday. — Star photo

#### No room for Minhazul

Sports Reporter

Former national skipper and veteran all-rounder Minhazul Abedin has been overlooked by the national selectors who late last night named an interim 19-member Bangladesh team for the 1999 World Cup to be held in England from May 14.

Minhazul, scorer of two centuries in the just concluded Premier Division league, could not find a place in the list drawn up at Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) headquarters. The final 15 will be selected before March 31 while four will remain as reserves.

"This is a common phenomenon in this country and I am not at all surprised. They don't select according to a player's merit but more on personal preference," said a disappointed Minhazul over telephone.

Following are the 19 players:

Aminul Islam (captain), Shahriar Hossain, Khaled Mashud, Javed Omar Belim, Al-Shahriar, Faruque Ahmed, Mehrab Hossain, Akram Khan, Shafiquddin Ahmed, Khaled Mahmud, Niamur Rahman, Hasbul Hossain, Mohammad Raftique, Enamul Haque, Manzurul Islam, Aminul Islam (junior), Neeyamur Rashid, Mahbubur Rahman and Jahan Alam.

#### Short tastes defeat

Indian Neelotpal Das stunned British GM Nigel Short allowing Belarus GM Yuri Shulman to take a sole lead in the fourth United Insurance chess tournament at the end of the eighth round yesterday, reports APB.

Shulman beat local IM Reeft-bin Sattar.

Unheralded Neelotpal forced current world number 11 to concede his maiden defeat in the meet adopting French Defence. Short found no way but to surrender after 26 moves in Win War variation game.

After the defeat, favourite Short slipped to the third position along with Polish GM Alexander Wojtkiewicz — both having 5.5 points. But Wojtkiewicz played one match less than Short.

Shulman earn his fifth win at the cost of Reeft to move to the top with 6.5 points. Reeft had run out of his time after 32 moves in French Defence game that advanced in classical variation.

For the country's lone GM Niaz Marshid, it was yet another gloomy day when he failed to live up to his former self suffering his fourth defeat.

Second seeded Estonian Jaan Ehlvest overcame Niaz in 34 moves playing against the local's King's Indian Defence.

The win enabled Ehlvest to hold on to second position raising his tally to 6 points.

IM Ziaur Rahman settled for a draw with Abdullah Al Rakib while other local campaigner FIDE Master Rajib lose after 66 moves to Uzbek GM Zergeveleni.

Hungarian GM Peter Szekely also lost to Indian IM Avijit Kunte.

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#### TODAY'S MATCHES

Rakib vs Reeft  
Reeft vs Zergeveleni  
Kunte vs Zia  
Neelotpal vs Szekely  
Niaz vs Short  
Wojtkiewicz vs Jaan Ehlvest

#### Abahani brush Army aside

Defending champions Abahani stormed into the final of the Cotton Group Shahid Smriti hockey tournament blanking Bangladesh Army 3-0 in the first semifinal at the Maulana Bhasani Stadium yesterday, reports APB.

The Dhammendi-based outfit

studded with two Indian internationals and two young Pakistani stickwielders, made short work of Army picking all three goals within 25 minutes after the start to settle the matter.

Young Pakistani Imran Yusuf, famous Indian player Dhamraj Pillai and compatriot Sabu Barki scored once each for Abahani on their way to final in a rather one-sided affair.

In the final on March 2, Abahani will meet the winners of second semifinal between league titlists Mohommamed SC and Dhaka Club Cup holders Usha KC, scheduled to be held today.

Abahani went in front when Yusuf utilised their first penalty corner in the sixth minute. Yusuf found the right corner of the net with a neat scoop.

Imran had a hand on the second goal when he let loose a beautiful through pass to Pillai who bewildered the whole Army defence in the 13th minute.

Abahani made the scoreline 3-0 in the 25th minute cashing in on a Haroon and Sabu Barki combination.

After receiving a pass from veteran Haroon, hard-built Barki dribbled past two Army men and sent it to the right of the goalkeeper.

In the second half Abahani were content to sit back and allow Army more space. Army came close to scoring when Hasan Shahid's powerfully struck effort narrowly missed the target.

**TEAMS**

**ABAHANI:** Bappi, Mamun, Rabibuddin, Miraj, Harun, Khokon, Rubel, Alamgir, Shamim, Imran Yousuf, Dhamraj Pillay and Sabu Barki.

**ARMY:** Jahangir, Saiful, Maksudul, Sanjiti, Rahajuddin, Sirajul, Rafiqul, Thui, Nu Marma, Ferdous, Abu Sayeed and Tariqul.

#### Inzy ties the knot

KARACHI, Feb 26: Pakistan's star batsman Inzamamul Haq has got married but will only get a brief time to celebrate, reports APB.

The 27-year-old batsman wed Syeda Kashfa Shehzad in the cricketer's home town of Multan in Punjab province on Thursday.

Teammates and a large number of friends and fans attended the ceremony.

Haq missed the Asian Test Championship victory over India last weekend due to injury but will be available to play against Sri Lanka in Lahore from March 4.

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