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

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

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

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SPORTS TALK



Steve Waugh

(Australia cricket captain)
"I hope I have been chosen on merit and not because I have been standing in the queue for so long."

On being appointed skipper for the Tests, too.

Schools cricket

Chuadanga MA Bari High School reached semi-final of the 17th National Schools cricket tournament outplaying Jessore Zilla School by 53 runs at the Kushtia Govt College ground yesterday, reports UNB.

Batting first, Chuadanga were all out for 169 runs in 35 overs.

Chasing the victory target of 170 runs, Jessore were bundled out for 103 runs.

In another match at Rajbari, Pangsha Pilot High beat Rajbari Govt High by 4 wickets.

Deciding to bat first, Rajbari were all out for 130 runs and in reply, Pangsha reached their target of 134 runs losing six wickets.

JPC badminton

Shamsuddin Ahmed Charu and Golam Mohiuddin Khan won the third position in the doubles of the Jatiya Press Club badminton tournament at the club court yesterday, reports BSS.

They beat Quazi Rowkan Hossain and Mahnuud Hossain Khau Dulal 15-7, 15-8 in the play-off.

JU cricket

History moved into the final of the inter-department cricket championship of Jahangirnagar University with a huge 152-run victory over Archaeology yesterday.

In the second semifinal of the meet, History batted first and scored a mammoth 284 runs in the stipulated 35 overs by losing five wickets. Sabbar was their highest contributor with 99.

Deneb claimed three wickets for 33.

In reply, Archaeology were all out for 132 in 31.3 overs. Sumit made 44 while Dipak grabbed five wickets for 11 runs.

History will take on Geography in the final at the university ground tomorrow.

Motchebon sets new world mark

SINDELFINGEN, Germany, Mar 1: German Nico Motchebon set a world indoor best for the seldom run 600 metres when he clocked one minute 15.12 seconds at an international meeting on Sunday, reports Reuters.



Belarusian Grand Master Yuri Shulman pondering his next move against local FIDE Master Enamul Hossain Rajib in the fourth United Insurance GM chess tournament yesterday. —Star photo

Shulman inching towards the pot of gold

Sports Reporter

The scenario at the 4th United Insurance Grand Masters Chess Tournament remained unchanged as both Grand Masters, Englishman Nigel Short and Belarusian Yuri Shulman, drew their eleventh round encounters at the NSC conference room yesterday.

In the eleventh of the 13-round joust, involving seven Grand Masters, Short, the highest ranked player in the meet, played a mutual draw with Estonian Grand Master Jaan Ehlvest. The match ended just after five moves with Short playing with black pieces.

On the other hand, Shulman had to fight for his hand-a-point as local FIDE Master Enamul Hossain Rajib put up a brave combat. The dogfight lasted for nearly seven hours.

Opening with white pieces, Rajib played neck-to-neck against the French defence of Shulman. However, they shook hands after a marathon game of 79 moves.

With the draws, both Short and Shulman remained atop the table with seven and a half points each. But it is the Belarus Grand Master Shulman, who has the brightest chance of bagging the 2000 USD purse for the championship with two

games still in hand. Shulman will face Indian International Master Avijit Kunte today in the penultimate round before meeting another Indian International Master Neelotpal Das tomorrow.



Short, who will have a break today, has only one match against Hungarian Grand Master Peter Szkeley tomorrow.

International Master Ziaur Rahman defeated Bangladesh Grand Master Niaz Mursheed in a crucial game. Playing with white pieces opposite Zia's Sicilian defence, Niaz had only his king and queen against

Zia's king, queen and two pawns after 63 moves. Sensing defeat, the first Grand Master of this sub-continent resigned to his young friend.

In the other matches, International Master Rezafebin-Sattar beat Indian International Master Avijit Kunte. Polish Grand Master Aleksander Wojtkiewicz defeated Hungarian Grand Master Peter Szkeley while Indian International Master Neelotpal Das drew with Uzbekistan Grand Master Sergei Zagrebny.

The second-last round will begin at the same venue this morning at 9 am.

Points table (all have played ten matches except as otherwise mentioned): 7.5 points—Short (11 games), Shulman, 7 points—Ehlvest and Wojtkiewicz, 6.5 points—Zagrebny, 5.5 points—Zia, 4.5 points—Kunte, 4 points—Rakib and Rezafebin, 3.5 points—Niaz and Neelotpal, 3 points—Szkeley, 2.5 points—Rajib.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Szkeley v Ehlvest
Zia v Wojtkiewicz
Zagrebny v Niaz
Rezafebin v Neelotpal
Shulman v Kunte
Rakib v Rajib

Cotton Group hockey Abahani-MSC final today

Sports Reporter
Arch rivals Abahani and Mohammedan Sporting will lock horns for the Cotton Group-Shahed Smriti hockey title at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium this afternoon. The final of the eight-team tournament starts at 3 pm.

Abahani, who emerged group A champions in the first round with an all-win run, will have the psychological advantage over their Moulana-based eternal foes in today's final as they beat them 2-1 in their concluding group match last week. They further strengthened their morale by defeating Bangladesh Army 3-1 in the first semifinal last Friday.

On the other hand, Mohammedan, after losing to Abahani in the first round, made a brilliant comeback against a powerful Usha Krishna Chakra in the second semifinal on Saturday. They won the match 1-0.

Nat'l cricket

Khulna move into zonal final

Khulna DSA moved into the zonal final of the 25th national cricket tournament beating Meherpur DSA by 7 wickets at the Kushtia Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

Batting first, Meherpur were all out for 158 in 44.5 overs.

Zahid Jr made an unbeaten 45 off 56 balls while Zahid Sr added 25 runs off 63 balls.

Salahuddin claimed four wickets for 30 and Alamgir took two for 20.

In reply, Khulna reached their target of 159 runs losing three wickets in 27.1 overs.

Babu Jr hammered 64 off 60 balls while Taz contributed 57 runs. Tuhin took two wickets for 36 while Azad one for 49.

Away at Rangpur Stadium, Pabna DSA defeated Kurigram DSA by 4 wickets.

Deciding to bat first, Kurigram were bundled out for 60 runs in 36.5 overs.

Dinar scored 15 runs. Nadim and Miju shattered the opposition's batting line-up picking up three wickets each for 6 and 13 runs respectively.

In reply, Pabna easily reached their target of 61 runs for six wickets in 14.3 overs.

Sumon made 10 runs. Dipu picked up four wickets for 26 while Raja took two for 12 runs.

At the Sathkira Stadium, hosts Sathkira DSA earned a massive 168-run victory over Chuadanga DSA.

Opting to bat first, Sathkira piled up 273 runs for 8 wickets in the stipulated 50 overs.

Tapu hit 60 while Dipu made an unbeaten 58 and Khokon Jr added 35 runs. Russel captured three wickets for 38 runs and Biplob took two wickets for 53.

In reply, Chuadanga were bundled out for 105 runs. Milon scored 33 runs while Tutul added 15.

Kamol picked up four wickets for 14 runs while Chaudan claimed three for 30 runs.

Barisal cricket

From Staff Correspondent
BARISAL, Mar 1: Arunoday Club defeated Rupatali Housing Estate Club by 270 runs and New Rising Stars outplayed Durjoy Smriti Sangha by 6 wickets in the First Division cricket league here at the inner and outer stadiums respectively today.

Arunoday batting first scored 324 runs losing all wickets in the stipulated 40 overs.

Ibrahim scored 112.

In reply, Rupatali Housing Estate scored only 54 runs losing all the wickets in 12.3 overs.

Sohel of Arunoday became man of the match taking 7 wickets for 17 runs.

In the other match, New Rising Stars scored 139 runs for 4 wickets in 15.3 overs.

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Babu of New Rising Stars adjudged man of the match.

Safety still 217 runs away



AUCKLAND, Mar 1: New Zealand responded strongly today to South Africa's mammoth first innings total but still have a mountain to climb after a record-breaking double century by Darryll Cullinan pushed the tourists to 621 for five, reports AFP.

New Zealand finished the third day of the first Test on 205 for two, still 416 runs behind and needing another 217 just to avoid the follow-on.

Matthew Horne who had mixed aggression with defence, was not out on 92 and Craig McMillan was on 21.

The highlight of day was a historic 275 not out by Cullinan which surpassed Graeme Pollock's 274 not out in 1969-70 as the highest Test score by a South African batsman.

The 31-year-old right-hander, 246 overnight, was given his chance when captain Hansie Cronje decided to bat on into the third morning, raising both arms aloft and grinning broadly. Cullinan was given a standing ovation by the tiny crowd in the 45,000-capacity Eden Park Stadium when he passed the mark.

Asked how he would celebrate, he said: "It's got to sink in first," adding that he was going to a beach barbecue "and we'll take it from there."

Cullinan's eleven-hour effort was his seventh Test century and bettered his previous best of 168 scored just a month ago against the West Indies. He hit 27 fours and two sixes in his 490-ball innings.

He have only one difficult chance on 132 and peppered all parts of the boundary with drives and pulls.

With him at the wicket was Graeme Pollock's son Shaun, who scored 69 not out in a record South African sixth wicket partnership against New Zealand of 126.

Cronje immediately declared when Cullinan reached the milestone but South Africa's bowlers found the going almost as tough as the black caps on the docile wicket.

Fast bowler Allan Donald was still able to trouble the batsmen as was unorthodox, left-arm wrist-spinner Paul Adams at times, but New Zealand were able to build significant partnerships.

Horne and Roger Twose put on 80 for the opening stand before Twose, on 31, nipped a ball from Donald to wicketkeeper Mark Boucher.

Horne and Astle added 90 for the second wicket before Astle on 41 went in identical fashion to Twose. Astle played his natural aggressive game, hitting two sixes off Adams and four fours but always giving the bowlers hope.

Donald tested Craig McMillan's technique but the young batsman survived.

With his third Test century in sight, Horne has hit 13 fours in a 219 ball innings.

On a wicket that all fast bowlers have struggled on, Donald — one of world's premier fast bowlers — finished the day with the fine figures of two for 33 from 17 overs. Adams bowled some testing deliveries but was expensive, going for 61 from his 17 overs.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the third day of the first Test between South Africa and New Zealand at Eden Park on Monday.

SOUTH AFRICA: First innings (overnight 562-5)
Kirsten c Astle b Allott 128
Gibbs b Vettori 34
Kallis lbw b Doull 7
Cullinan not out 275
Cronje c Allot b Harris 30
Rhodes c Twose b Harris 63
Pollock not out 69
Extras: (b-4, lb-9, nb-2) 15
Total: (For five wkts dec) 621
Fall of wickets: 1-76; 2-97; 3-280; 4-354; 5-495.

Did not bat: Boucher, Klusener, Donald, Adams.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Doull	33	7	90	1
Allott	38	5	153	0
Nash	28	2	97	0
Vettori	42	8	120	1
Harris	45	10	94	2
McMillan	5.1	0	24	0
Astle	9	1	30	0

NEW ZEALAND: First innings

Twose c Boucher b Donald 31
Horne not out 92
Astle c Boucher b Donald 41
McMillan not out 21
Extras: (lb-16, nb-4) 20
Total: (For two wkts in 74 overs) 205
Fall of wickets: 1-80; 2-170
To bat: Chris Harris, Adam Parore, Matthew Bell, Dion Nash, Daniel Vettori, Simon Doull, Geoff Allott

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Donald	17	10	33	2
Pollock	16	5	40	0
Klusener	12	5	23	0
Adams	17	5	61	0
Kallis	10	3	24	0
Cullinan	2	1	8	0



South Africa's Paul Adams bowling during the third day's play of the first Test against New Zealand in Auckland yesterday. —AFP photo

Cullinan topples his idol

AUCKLAND, Mar 1 (Reuters/AP): South African batsman Darryll Cullinan broke the South African record for a Test innings by scoring 275 not out the third morning of the first Test against New Zealand at Eden Park today.

Resuming on 246 Cullinan passed former captain Jackie McGlew's score of 255 not out against New Zealand at Wellington in 1952-53 before going on to surpass the 274 made by Graeme Pollock against Australia in Durban in 1969-70, the country's last series before its international isolation.

Cullinan's innings was also the longest in SA Test history, lasting 10 hours and 59 minutes, nine minutes longer than Gary Kirsten's 210 scored against England at Old Trafford in 1998.

In all Cullinan faced 490 balls and hit 27 fours and two sixes.

South African captain Hansie Cronje declared immediately.

Cullinan reached 275 leaving the tourists 621 for five, the second highest total in their Test history.

And after his effort, Cullinan, while relishing a dream come true, said he felt mixed emotions after scoring South Africa's highest individual innings in Test cricket.

"I never thought I would do that. It was a dream come true," Cullinan said.

Cullinan, a prodigious right hander, first caught the eye of the selectors as a teenager when he hammered South Africa's domestic record of 337 not out for Transvaal against Northern Transvaal. He was just 16 years and 304 days old.

"As a 16-year old I passed one of his records. I feel bit embarrassed about it. He only played 23 Tests. Who knows what he could have done had he got his full quota."

In 23 matches the left-handed Pollock amassed 2,256 runs at an average of 60.97 second only to the great Sir Donald Bradman. Pollock hit seven centuries and 11 fifties in a career shortened because of his country's apartheid policy.

"He was my boyhood idol and hero," Cullinan said. "I always admired Viv Richards. But Graeme is the guy everyone spoke of. When my father took us to the Wanderers to watch cricket, he took us to watch Graeme."

"He is one of the greats of all time. It is the sadness that he didn't get his full quota."

Cullinan, who turns 32 on March 4, began the day on 246 and South Africa on 562 for five and very much in control. He was third in the all time list behind Pollock and Jackie McGlew's 255 not out against New Zealand in 1952/53.

Cullinan said that once he got past 200 he was looking to pass Jackie McGlew's 255 against New Zealand in 1953 and not Pollock's record.

"I thought anything after that I'd be quite happy to be second to him (Pollock). I think that's what gave me the feeling of not worrying too much about 275," he said. "A change of bowling, a couple of ones and twos and suddenly it was there."

Mark hits hundred

Waugh's steer tourists



POINTE-A-PIERRE, Trinidad, Mar 1: Mark Waugh scored the first century of Australia's Caribbean tour to give his side the whip hand in their match against the West Indies President's XI on Sunday, reports Reuters.

Waugh scored 106 of the 368 total, giving Australia a first innings lead of 191. The President's XI were 33 for no wicket at the close of the second day of the four-day match.

Waugh featured in a fourth-wicket partnership of 127 in 115 minutes with his brother Steve. He reached his hundred in 190 minutes from 129 balls with 14 fours and celebrated with a big six off Denis Ramperasad.

Ramperasad got his revenge soon afterwards by having him caught at mid-off by Nixon McLean.

Waugh gave one chance on 29 when he should have been stumped by wicketkeeper Wayne Phillip off Rawal Lewis.

Steve Waugh scored 57 off 75 balls with seven fours and a six before being caught behind by

promising batsman Darren Ganga was unable to take the field until after tea because of back problems which forced him to retire hurt while batting on Saturday.

The West Indies selectors were meeting on Sunday to choose a team for the first Test. It will be announced on Monday.

Already the three-man panel has been unable to consider Shivnarine Chandernaul and promising leg-spinner Dinanath Ramnarine because of shoulder injuries.

Vice-captain Carl Hooper remains in Adelaide with his wife and sick child while veteran fast bowlers Courtney Walsh and Curtly Ambrose are doubtful because of a variety of ailments following the South African tour.

Face bowler Reon King, who played just one Test in South Africa without taking a wicket, was easily the pick of a wayward President's XI's attack.

Tall and strong with a high, open action, he generated good pace and bounce with greater consistency than McLean or Marlon Black. He finished with five for 75.

Slater c Ramperasad b McLean 49
Langer c Ragoonath b King 26
M Waugh c McLean b Ramperasad 106
S Waugh c Phillip b King 57
Elewett b King 38
Healy lbw b King 12
Warne b King 4
Gillespie lbw b McLean 7
MacGill not out 13
McGrath b McLean 4
Extras: (lb-2, nb-27) 29
Total: 368

Fall of wickets: 1-45; 2-102; 3-120; 4-247; 5-302; 6-329; 7-334; 8-341; 9-361

Bowler O M R W
McLean 20.3 2 111 4
King 25 4 75 5
Black 10 0 52 0
Lewis 18 1 80 0
Arthurton 8.5 1 27 0
Ramperasad 4 0 21 1

PRESIDENT'S XI: Second innings
Ragoonath not out 13
Ganga not out 12
Extras: (b-5, nb-3) 8
Total: (No wkt) 33

Bowler (to date) O M R W
Gillespie 4 0 14 0
McGrath 4 2 8 0
Warne 2 0 4 0
MacGill 1 0 2 0

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the second-day of the four-day match between the West Indies President's XI and Australia on Sunday:

WEST INDIES PRESIDENT'S XI: First Innings 177 (D Joseph 64; MacGill 6-45).

AUSTRALIA: First Innings (overnight 73 for one)
Elliott c Phillip b McLean 22

Asian Club soccer scores

DUBAI, Mar 1 (AFP): Results from Asian Club Championship quarterfinal West Zone matches at Qattara Stadium here late Saturday:

Al-Hilal, Saudi Arabia 4 (Eljahir 17; Nawaf Altemry 22; Abdullah Aldosari 41; Sami Al-Jaber 63) vs Kopetdag, Turkmenistan 2 (Vladimir Bairamov 31, Kulджаqozov Azat 14).

Esteghlal, Iran 1 (Alireza Govanjak 70) vs Al Ain, United Arab Emirates.

STANDINGS
Standings (played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, goals against, points)
Esteghlal 2 2 0 0 3 1 6
Al Ain 2 1 0 1 6 2 3
Al-Hilal 2 1 0 1 5 4 3
Kopetdag 2 0 0 2 3 10 0

