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Column One

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(The Professor does)

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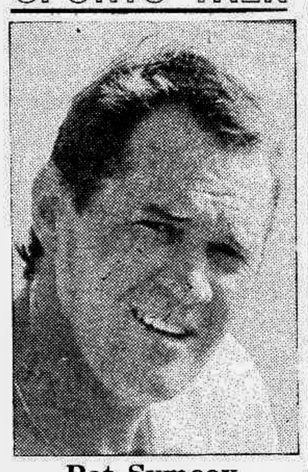

Pat Symcox

(Former South African cricketer)

"From now on, fishing, golf and gardening will take up my spare time."

While announcing his retirement from international cricket recently.

WHiZZ Kid 112 correct answers

1. Who is the new Real Madrid soccer coach?
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Ans: 6-3
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4. Who won the boys' singles title in the ITF tourney in Rajshahi?
Ans: Weaver
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Ans: 13.

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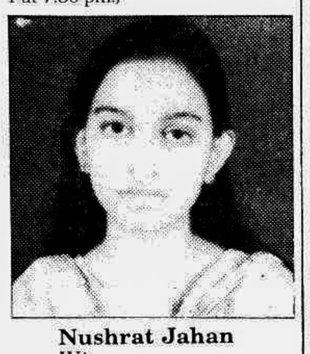

Nushrat Jahan
Winner
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Members of the victorious Zimbabwe team with the Meril International cricket tournament trophy.
—Star photo by Anisur Rahman

MSC scrape past Usha

Defending champions Mohammedan SC scraped past mighty Usha KC 4-3 in last match of the first phase Green Delta Premier Hockey League at the Maulana Bhasani Stadium yesterday, reports APB.

Centre half Ehtesham, Raju, Pakistani former skipper Tahir Zaman and his compatriot Kamran Ashraf scored one goal apiece for Mohammedan who recorded their sixth win and maintained a solo lead with Abahani having bagged 19 points from seven outings.

Though Usha took the lead through Khurshid in the sixth minute, they went down to their illustrious opponents and conceded only their second league defeat after losing to Abahani. Skipper Kamal and Isa scored the other goals for the side.

Dhaka Club champions Usha are in second position with 15 points from seven outings that included five wins.

Kurshid levelled for Mohammedan in the 13th minute and Raju struck in the 28th minute as the winners led the first session 2-1.

Playmaker Tahir converted a penalty-stroke in the 52nd minute for Mohammedan before Asif Ahmed reduced the margin for Usha three minutes later.

Mohammedan striker Kamran Ashraf added the fourth goal in the 59th minute while Isa scored Usha's third goal two minutes before the final whistle.

In the other match Farashganj SC edged past Azad SC 2-1. Piru and Walia scored for the winners while Shishu netted for the losers.

STANDINGS

Team	M	W	D	L	Pts
Mohammedan SC	7	6	1	0	19
Abahani	7	6	1	0	19
Usha KC	7	5	0	2	15
Mariners Club	7	2	1	3	8
Ajax SC	7	2	1	4	7
Farashganj SC	7	2	1	4	7
Azad SC	7	1	1	5	4
Sadharan Bima	7	0	1	6	1

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ZIMBABWE-KENYA FINAL SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the final match of the Meril International Cricket Tournament between Kenya and Zimbabwe played at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Saturday:

ZIMBABWE

Johnson c Otieno b M Suji	0
G Flower run out	140
Goodwin c M Suji b Odoyo	22
A Flower c Otieno b M Suji	5
G Whittall lbw b Odoyo	67
Carlisle c sub b Karim	42
Streak not out	39
Strang not out	0
Extras: (lb-4, nb-5, w-1)	10
Total: (For 6 wkts in 50 overs)	325

Did not bat: Adam Huckle, Alistair Campbell and Andrew Whittall.

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-98; 3-110; 4-239; 5-252; 6-320.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
M Suji	10	3	31	2
T Suji	2	0	15	0
Tikolo	10	0	62	0
Odoyo	10	0	69	2
Karim	8	0	64	1
Sheikh	4	0	28	0
Ravindu	6	0	52	0

KENYA

Otieno c A Flower b Johnson	1
Ravindu c A Flower b A Whittall	22
Gupta c G Flower b Johnson	12
Odumbe b Streak	1
Modi c Carlisle b Strang	23
Odoyo c Johnson b Huckle	32
Karim lbw b A Whittall	0
T Suji c Goodwin b A Whittall	14
Sheikh c Carlisle b Strang	0
M Suji not out	2
Extras: (lb-2, nb-1, w-13)	16
Total: (For 9 wkts in 36.5 overs)	123

Did not bat: Stephen Tikolo

Fall of wickets: 1-10; 2-33; 3-36; 4-53; 5-80; 6-81; 7-108; 8-115; 9-123.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Johnson	8	0	39	2
Streak	6	2	12	1
A Whittall	8.5	0	29	3
Strang	10	1	29	2
Huckle	4	0	12	1

Result: Zimbabwe won by 202 runs
Man-of-the-final: Grant Flower (Zimbabwe).

Nasimul Ghani lauds effort

BCB's training courses conclude

Sports Reporter

ICC's Development Officer for Asia, Nasimul Ghani, was full of praise for three training camps, two of which concluded on Independence Day and another earlier, undertaken by BCB's Coaching and Planning cell.

Former Pakistan captain Mushtaq Mohammad and former ICC panel umpire Mahbub Shah were in Dhaka on behalf of the ICC as trainers.

Seventy-one U-17 cricketers, including 14 from abroad took part in the ten-day residential camp at BKSP. Players from the UAE, Nepal, Kuwait, Malaysia, Qatar, Singapore, the Maldives, Saudi Arabia and Bangladesh took part. Ali Nawaz of the Maldives was declared the best player of the camp. ICC Development Manager Ross Turner, Nasimul Ghani and BCB general secretary Syed Ashraful Huq were present at the BKSP on Friday when the BKSP Director-General Brigadier Sadek Hasan Rumi distributed certificates among the winners.

In another ten-day 'basics' came that concluded on Friday at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium, 150 U-10 and U-13 boys took part. Besides Mushtaq, former Bangladesh fast bowler Dipu Roy Chowdhury and several other Bangladeshi coaches imparted training. The third camp, this one for umpires, 12 from the UAE, Nepal, Kuwait, Malaysia, Qatar, Singapore, the Maldives, Saudi Arabia, and 30 A and B grade umpires from Bangladesh, was also of ten days duration. Mahbub Shah was in charge of the umpires' course.

Holyfield files for divorce

FAYETTEVILLE, Georgia, Mar 27: Heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield has filed for divorce, six months after a public admission that he fathered two children out of wedlock, reports AP.

Holyfield filed papers Friday in Fayette County Superior Court.

The court document said the marriage "is irretrievably broken and there exists no possibility of reconciliation."

The boxer seeks joint custody of the couple's 6-month-old son, Elijah, and "all of his separate property" and "an equitable portion of the marital property."

Steve rises to occasion

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados, Mar 27: Australian captain Steve Waugh hauled his team out of trouble with a superb 141 not out against West Indies on the opening day of the third Test at Kensington Oval on Friday, reports Reuters.

Waugh, characteristically making runs when they were most wanted lifted his team from the plight of 36 for three to the prosperity of 322 for four at the close.

The recovery was launched in a fourth wicket stand of 108 between Waugh and Justin Langer (51) and consolidated as the Australian skipper and Ricky Ponting (65 not out) put on 178 in an unbroken fifth wicket partnership.

Waugh played an innings of mounting authority in which he drove handsomely through the covers and straight down the ground against both pace and spin, as well as hitting crisp strokes to the mid-wicket boundary.

Waugh reached his 19th Test century from 149 balls hitting 10 fours and by the end of the day the had faced a total of 241 deliveries and hit 15 fours.

The day had started on a less encouraging note for Australia after Waugh won the toss with Courtney Walsh and Curtly Ambrose capturing three wickets in 18 balls.

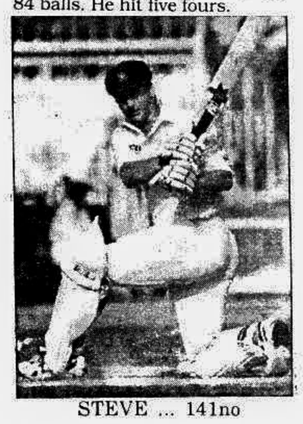
Making good use of conditions in which the ball moved both ways the two fast bowlers reduced the touring team from 31 for no wicket to 36 for three.

Walsh struck first having Matthew Elliott caught behind by Ridley Jacobs for nine, then Ambrose dispatched Michael Slater and Mark Waugh in three balls.

Slater edged a delivery that left him a shade and was caught by Brian Lara at first slip for 23. Mark played on to a ball that came back at him before he had scored.

The damage was repaired by Steve Waugh and Langer, batting in an increasingly positive way so that off-spinner Nehemiah Perry was soon taken out of the attack after 36 came off his first six overs.

Langer eventually fell to Carl Hooper's first delivery when he tried to cut the all-rounder's off-spin and was bowled after making his 51 off 84 balls. He hit five fours.



STEVE ... 141no

Steve then found an effective ally in Ponting who hooked and pulled firmly and timed his cover drives beautifully as the fifth wicket pair made West Indies toil.

The tempo slackened towards the close but Waugh explained afterwards, "We set ourselves to bat through the second new ball. We would like some more rush tomorrow when we will be looking to consolidate."

Waugh's innings was initially marked by a compelling duel with Ambrose. "He was too good for me in the first session but he was bowling that well I was missing them by a long way so it didn't worry me too much," Australia's captain said.

"I knew it would get easier after he went off and fortunately he didn't bowl in the middle session. Besides facing Ambrose, I felt really comfortable. I felt as though I was in control."

West Indies made two changes from the second Test — opener Adrian Griffith replacing Suruj Ragoonath and the experienced Carl Hooper returning for Lincoln Roberts.

Australia were forced to make one change — middle order batsman Ricky Ponting replacing Greg Blewett, who had a right thumb injury.

The series is level 1-1 after West Indies came back from a 312-run defeat in the first Test at Port of Spain to win the second Test in Kingston by 10 wickets.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the opening day of the third Test between West Indies and Australia at Kensington Oval on Friday:

AUSTRALIA: First innings

Slater c Lara b Ambrose	23
Elliott c Jacobs b Walsh	9
Langer b Hooper	51
M Waugh b Ambrose	0
S Waugh not out	141
Ponting not out	65
Extras: (lb-6, nb-27)	33
Total: (For 4 wickets)	322

Fall of wickets: 1-31; 2-36; 3-36; 4-144.

To bat: I Healy, S Warne, J Gillespie, G McGrath, S Macgill.

Bowler (to date):	O	M	R	W
Ambrose	21.3	4	67	2
Walsh	22	5	86	1
Perry	16	3	60	0
Collins	23.3	4	79	0
Hooper	7	3	24	1

WEST INDIES: S Campbell, A Griffith, D Joseph, B Lara (captain), C Hooper, J Adams, R Jacobs, N Perry, C Ambrose, P Collins, C Walsh.

Akram antics go in vain

VISAKHAPATNAM, India, Mar 27 (Reuters/Internet): Skipper Wasim Akram scored 79 off 60 balls in a valiant fightback but failed to stop Sri Lanka beating Pakistan by 12 runs in a close finish to the fourth match of the tri-nation series on Saturday.

Sri Lanka, who won the toss, bowled out Pakistan for 241 after scoring 253 for eight wickets and stayed in the reckoning to earn the final berth of the tournament in which India are the third team.

Pakistan, who were penalised for slow bowling, had only 48 overs to chase their target and were all out in 46.3 overs.

Medium-pacer Pramodya Wickremasinghe dealt three quick blows reducing Pakistan to 19 for three. They later slumped to 98 for six when Akram stepped in with his flashy knock which brought Pakistan within striking distance of victory.

Akram hit four huge sixes to mid-wicket and five boundaries. He put on 48 runs with Azhar Mahmood (37) for the seventh wicket and 83 runs with Saqlain Mushtaq (28) for the eighth.

Pakistan had begun disastrously in the run chase when Marvan Atapattu rolled to catch Shahid Afridi for a duck at deep mid-off.

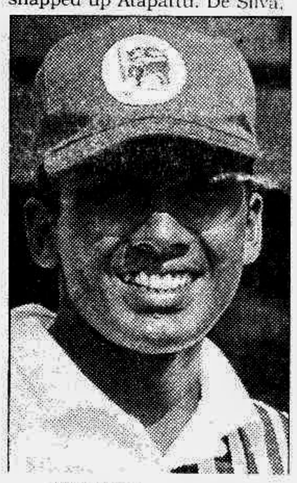
Imran Nazir was out soon for two, as he tried to pull a short one and Upul Chandana lapped up the ball at square leg.

Wickremasinghe got his third scalp in experienced Ijaz Ahmed, who was caught at cover as he played a half-hearted drive.

Off-spinner Ruwan Kalpage took two key wickets until Akram stepped in to stop the collapse.

Akram was out as he tried to hit off-spinner Aravinda De Silva over square leg, where he was caught on the fence by Chandana.

Earlier, man-of-the-match Mahela Jayawardene scored a gritty 101 in the Sri Lankan innings and survived a middle order collapse triggered by medium pacer Mahmood. Mahmood was in total control as he snapped up Atapattu, De Silva,



MAHELA ... m-o-m

skipper Arjuna Ranatunga and Hashan Tillekeratne to return with four wickets for 40 runs in his 10 overs.

The lucky Jayawardene was caught behind off a no ball when he was on 16 and Sri Lanka were 46 for one and was dropped when he was on 43.

India play Sri Lanka in Pune on March 30.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the one-day international between Pakistan and Sri Lanka on Saturday:

SRI LANKA

Gunawardena c Akram b Akhtar	11
Atapattu c Nazir b Mahmood	28
Jayawardena run out	101
De Silva c Nazir b Mahmood	9
Ranatunga c Moin b Mahmood	0
Tillekeratne c Moin b Mahmood	25
Chandana c Akram b Saqlain	35
Upashantha run out	2
Kalpage not out	16
Botheju not out	1
Extras: (b-2, lb-8, w-8, nb-7)	25
Total: (For eight wickets in 50 overs)	253

Did not bat: P Wickremasinghe.

Fall of wickets: 1-15; 2-70; 3-86; 4-86; 5-157; 6-218; 7-228; 8-238.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Akram	10	0	39	0
Akhtar	8	0	45	1
Mahmood	10	1	40	4
Saqlain	10	1	39	1
Arshad	9	0	62	0
Afridi	3	0	18	0

PAKISTAN

Afridi c Atapattu b Wickremasinghe	0
Nazir c Chandana to Wickremasinghe	2
Ijaz c sub b Wickremasinghe	12
Inzamam c and b Kalpage	16
Youhana c Atapattu b Kalpage	21
Mahmood c and b Upashantha	37
Moin st Tillekeratne b Chandana	16
Akram c Chandana b De Silva	79
Saqlain not out	28
Arshad run out	5
Akhtar c Wickremasinghe b de Silva	2
Extras: (nb-12, w-9, lb-1, b-1)	23
Total: (All out in 46.3 overs)	241

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-2; 3-19; 4-58; 5-64; 6-98; 7-146; 8-229; 9-238.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Wickremasinghe	9	1	34	3
Upashantha	10	1	40	1
Kalpage	9	0	61	2
Boteju	9	0	57	0
Chandana	3	0	21	1
De Silva	6.3	0	26	2

Result: Sri Lanka beat Pakistan by 12 runs.

Man-of-the-match: Mahela Jayawardena.

S Africa forge ahead

AUCKLAND, Mar 27: A sensational display of hitting by South African batsman Daryll Cullinan carried his team to victory over New Zealand on Saturday in the fifth one-day cricket international at Eden Park, reports AP.

South Africa thrashed New Zealand by 143 runs after making 290 for five, then dismissing New Zealand for 147 in 36.1 overs.

South Africa lead the six-game series 3-2 with the final match scheduled for Wellington on Tuesday.

Cullinan hit 94 in 56 balls, including seven sixes and five fours, to decimate the New Zealand attack.

He dominated a 145-run stand for the fourth wicket with century-maker Jacques Kallis and at one point hit four sixes in five balls from left-arm spinner Daniel Vettori.

He was on target to hit the second fastest one-day century, but slightly lost pace just before being bowled in the penultimate over of the innings.

Only four players have hit more than his seven sixes in a one-day innings.

— Sanath Jayasuriya of Sri Lanka, Shahid Afridi and Ijaz Ahmed of Pakistan and West Indian Gordon Greenidge.

On his last visit to Eden Park, for the first Test earlier in the tour, Cullinan hit a South African Test record 275 not out.

Kallis completed his fifth one-day hundred — and his second of the series — the ball before being yorked by left-arm medium-fast bowler Geoff Allott.

Kallis batted 176 minutes, faced 125 balls and hit eight fours and a six.

When captain Hansie Cronje slammed medium-pacer Nathan Astle for six in the last over, it was the ninth hit to clear the boundary in the innings.

Earlier, opener Gary Kirsten hit an impressive 70 in 97 balls with 10 fours. It was his 12th one-day 50, and his innings was

CULLINAN ... m-o-m

ended by a fine diving catch at deep backward square leg by Roger Twose.

Allott again did a good job for New Zealand, taking two wickets in his opening spell as South Africa slumped to 12 for two.

He then grabbed two more in his last over to finish with four for 47, giving him 14 in the series.

Chris Harris led the New Zealand batsmen with 31 runs, while Cronje took 3-26 and Lance Klusener 2-21.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the fifth one-day international between New Zealand and South Africa at Eden Park on Saturday:

SOUTH AFRICA:

Kirsten c Twose b Harris	70
Gibbs lbw b Allott	2
Boucher c Fleming b Allott	0
Kallis b Allott	100
Cullinan b Allott	94
Klusener not out	13
Cronje not out	7
Extras:	4
Total: For five in 50 overs	290

Fall of wickets: 1-11; 2-12; 3-124; 4-269; 5-270.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Allott	10	0	47	4
Nash	7	2	29	0
Larsen	7	0	48	0
Astle	10	0	72	0
Harris	7	0	37	1
Vettori	9	0	56	0

NEW ZEALAND

Horne b Kallis	27
Astle c Rhodes b Pollock	4
Young c Rhodes b Elworthy	24
Fleming c Kallis b Elworthy	5
Twose c Kallis b Klusener	0
Parore c Rhodes b Cronje	16
Harris c Cullinan b Cronje	31
Nash c Kallis b Klusener	13
Vettori c Boucher b Cronje	5
Larsen run out	8
Allott not out	0
Extras:	14
Total: (All out in 36.1 overs)	147

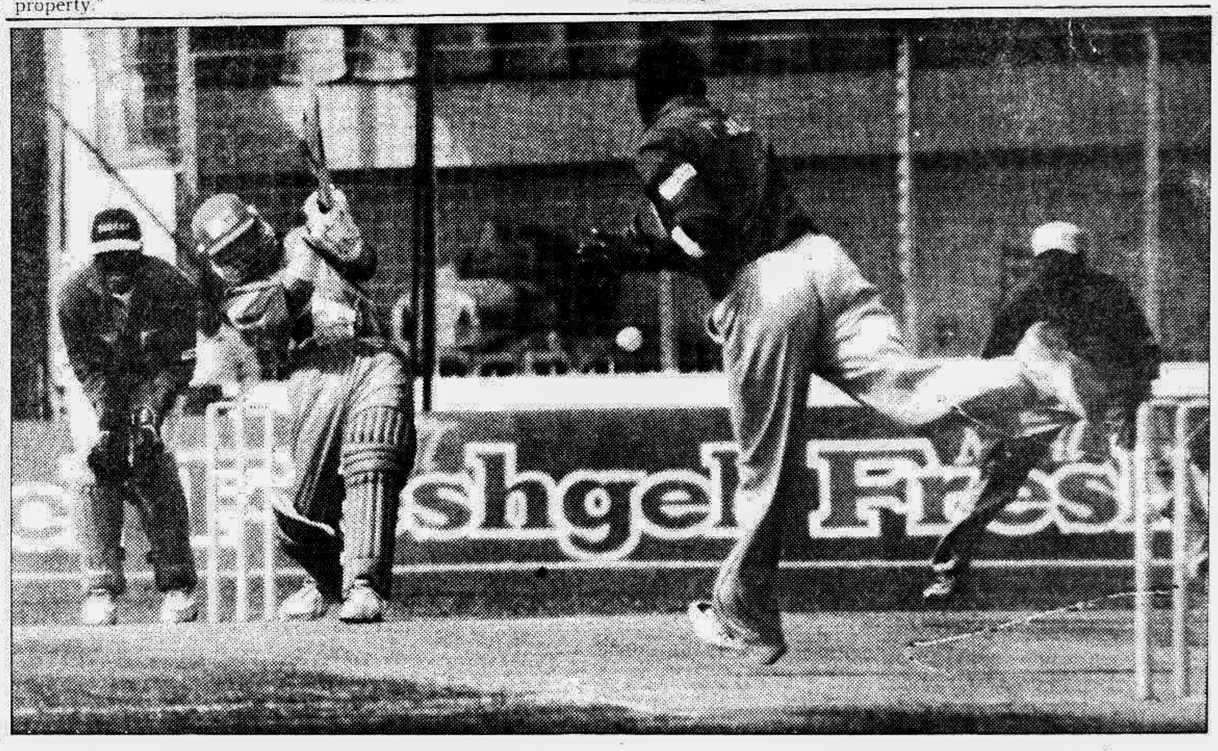
Fall of wickets: 1-11; 2-51; 3-67; 4-68; 5-70; 6-107; 7-123; 8-129; 9-147.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Pollock	6	1	23	1
Kallis	7	1	31	1
Klusener	6.1	1	21	2
Elworthy	6	0	26	2
Cronje	6	0	26	3
Boje	5	0	12	0

Result: South Africa won by 143 runs.

Man-of-the-match: Daryll Cullinan.

South Africa lead six-game series 3-2.



Zimbabwe's Guy Whittall pulls during the final at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.
—Star photo