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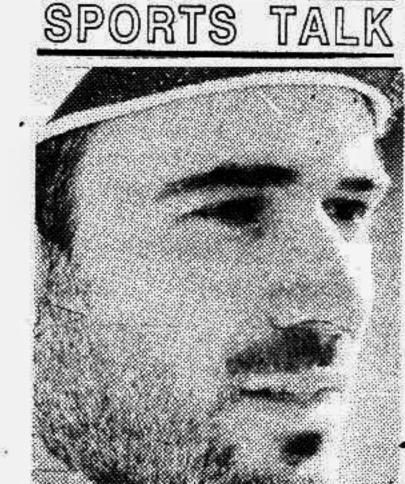
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Andre Agassi

American tennis player "I'm pleased. We both played well today. The thing about Boris is that you can't let your guard down at any time. Speaking after defeating Boris Becker in the final of the Salem Open in Hong Kong.

Udayan beat Sunrise

ANZ Grindlays National School Cricket

Udayan Bidyalaya, Titas Gas High School and Gulshan Model High School won their respective matches in the ANZ Grindlays Bank 17th national schools cricket championship at different city venues yesterday, reports UNB.

Udayan Bidyalaya smashed Sunrise Pre-Cadet School by 91 runs at the Orient Club ground. Sunrise Pre-Cadet were all out for 184 in 20.4 overs to reply Udayan's 275 for all in 34.5

overs At the Kalabagan Club ground, Titas Gas High beat Mirhajaribagh High by 14 runs. Batting first, Titas School scored 181 for eight in 35 overs.

In reply, Mirhajaribagh were all out for 167 in 3 overs. At the Mohammadpur Eidgah ground, Gulshan Model High defeated Mohakhali

Model High by 35 runs. Gulshan Model made 184 for all in 29.4 overs.

In reply. Mohakhali Model were all out for 149 in 30.3

Rajshahi cricket

From Our Correspondent RAJSHAHI. Apr 16: Diganta Prosery Sangha and Bright Star Club won their respective super league matches of Rajshahi First Division cricket league

today. In the first match at the Rajshahi Stadium, Diganta Prosery Sangha defeated Friends Sporting Club by 34 runs.

Batting first, Diganta Prosery scored 189 for nine in 40.2 overs. Rashed made the highest 38 followed by 33 of Raja and 27

of Shoeb. In reply. Friends Sporting Club went all out scoring only

155 in 39.3 overs. In the other match at the Divisional Stadium. Bright Star defeated Baikali Sangha

by three wickets. Baikali batted first and collected 101 for all in 30.2 overs. Rashid captured four wickets followed by two wickets each of

Novel and Ehtesham. Bright Star lost seven wickets to reach their winning target of 102 in 32.1 overs. Novel and Sohel made 22 and 11 runs respectively.



Bangladesh football team coach Samir Sakir (C) answering to a query during a media conference yesterday. - Star photo

Bangladesh in South Asian Football Federation Championship

Optimism on eve of departure

Sports Reporter

opposition started counter-at-

that reaching the semifinals

was the main objective and so a

good result in the first match

one point from the opening game even if three is not possi-

ble. That will make our second

and last group match against

Pakistan much easier." said

istan under any pressure," he

considers as favourites. Shamir

said that the standard of foot-

ball in all the six SAARC coun-

"We have to play positively and that is the way I had been

training them. They are all fit

and I hope Bangladesh will do

The 18-member Bangladesh

well this time." Shamir con-

team, led by experienced de-

fender Jewel Rana, will fly to

Bombay this evening. After a

night's halt in Bombay they

will leave for Goa tomorrow af-

cilled in group A along with

holders India and Pakistan.

Sri Lanka, Maldives and Nepal.

Doordarshan Sports Channel

Flowers were placed on the

pitch and around the Eternal

Flame memorial in the

Shankly Gates that lists the 96

stopped at 3.06, a gospel choir

filled the ground with songs

Real keen to

get Zidane

MADRID, Apr 16: Real

Madrid president Lorenzo Sanz

said today his club have been

offered unsettled Juventus mid-

from Italy to Spain because his

Anadalucia-born wife was

World Cup hero could be wear-

ing the white of Real next sea-

condition because he has al-

ready been offered to us," Sanz

was quoted as saying by Span-

idea of bringing him in.

ish sports daily AS. "We like the

Sanz believes the French

"I've asked after Zidane's

son, reports Reuters.

homesick.

With the stadium clock

who lost their lives.

The other group comprises of

Bangladesh have been pen-

tries were almost equal.

"We don't want to play Pak-

When asked which team he

Skipper Jewel Rana said

"We want to collect at least

tacking.

Rana.

cluded.

ternoon

was paramount.

Bangladesh national coach Shamir Sakir was optimistic about his team's prospects in the forthcoming second South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Championship, scheduled to start in the south Indian city of Goa from April 22.

Speaking at a press conference yesterday prior to the team's departure, the former Iraqi World Cupper said that Bangladesh will tackle the sixnation tournament in a more positive frame of mind.

Skipper Jewel Rana, manager Khairul Anwar Piaru and BFF joint-secretaries Sirajul Islam Bachchu and Badal Roy were present during the brief-We are well prepared for the

tournament and the boys are eager to prove something this time," said Shamir who barely had two and a half months to get his players into shape. "We have four good strikers

in Nakib. Raju. Tipu and Alfaz, eight gifted midfielders together with a solid defence. The only thing they lack is proper match-fitness, having not played competitively for the last one year and a half," said the national coach.

Talking tactically about the opener against India, Shamir revealed that they will be hoping for a draw. However the plan would change in case the

16 (Reuters/ In-

ternet): A city fell

silent on Thurs-

day as people paid

tribute to the 96

soccer fans who died in the

Hillsborough tragedy 10 years

ago at the FA Cup semifinal

between Liverpool and Notting-

eree on the fateful day, walked

exactly 3.06 pm, just as he had

on to the pitch in his kit

Ray Lewis, who was the ref-

to blow his whistle again at

match as the tragedy began

This time his whistle

brought a city to a standstill as

buses and taxis stopped running

and shops closed their tills for

one minute to remember a mo-

ment that has haunted Mersey-

part of a memorial service held

Anfield. About 10,000 fans were

raucous, they were unusually

quiet as they gathered for the

service with their famed

"Scouse" banter banished for

Normally among the most

at Liverpool's famous ground,

Lewis' poignant action was

ham Forest.

done to stop the

side ever since.

the afternoon.

present.

to unfold.

will telecast all the matches Live from Goa.

BFF executive committee member Moazzam Hossain is accompanying the team as the BFF representative. SQUAD

Jewel Rana (captain) Alfaz Ahmed (vice-captain), Biplab Bhattachariya, Hasan Al-Mamun. Prodeep Kumar Poddar, Rajani Kanta Barman, Masood Rana, Mustafa Anwar Parvez, Kazi Nazrul Islam, Matiur Rahman Munna, Iqbal Hossain, Rakib Hossain, Monwar Hossain. Zakir Hossain, Sourav Majumdar Raju, Mizanur Rahman, Imtiaz Ahmed Nakib and Shahazuddin Tipu.

Officials: Khairul Anwar Piaru (manager), Golam Mohammad Alamgir (asst manager). Shamir Sakir (coach) Jashimuddin Bhuiyan (asst coach) and Dr. Golam Showkat Hossain (team doctor).

FIXTURE

Match Time April 22: Bangladesh v India 5:30 pm Sri Lanka v Maldives 5:30 pm Bangladesh v Pakistan5:30 pm April 24: Sri Lanka v Nepal 5.30 pm April 25: India v Pakistan 5:30 pm Maldives v Nepal 5:30 pm 1st semifinal 2nd semifinal 6 pm

(Bangladesh time) Liverpool's silent tribute

which coincided with the sun appearing from behind rain

A painful list of names that seemed never to end was read out as a candle was lit for each supporter that went to watch a football match and never re-

The chairman of the Hillsborough Family Support Group, Trevor Hicks, who lost two daughters in the chaos, told the mourners they were determined to get justice for their loved

Hicks and others are campaigning to find the truth about why the disaster happened and how the police reacted.

fielder Zinedine Zidane — and the Spanish giants are keen to "We are not going away and sign him at the end of the seawe repeat that we will do everything necessary to conclude this Zidane was quoted this week unfinished business," Hicks as saying he wants to move

"Today is about remembering the 96 and how we wish things were different. We know that we cannot get them back and we try to come to terms, we try to understand, we seek answers, explanations, the truth, justice."

The ceremony ended with the thousands singing a tearfilled rendition of the Liverpool anthem "You'll Never Walk Alone.

Rifle cagers down Eagles Sports Reporter

Independence Cup B ball

National champions Bangladesh Rifles got off to a flying start in the Independence Cup Basketball Tournament with an easy 104-54 victory over Eagles Club at the Dhan-mondi basketball gymnasium yesterday.

The winners led the first half 57-20. Ayub caged in highest 32 points while Raihan added 17 points for Rifles. Evans top-scored for Eagles with 14.

Div I cricket

Gopibagh Friends Association and City Club earned promotion to the Premier Division winning their respective matches in the Metropolis First Division cricket league at different venues yesterday, reports

Gopibagh FA outplayed Dhaka Wanderers Club by seven wickets at the Bangabandhu National Stadium.

Opting to bat first, Wanderers were all out for 149 in 43.5 overs with number six batsman Sushanta scoring team highest 37 and opener Mahfuzur making 26.

Shamsul Huda and Shahin Ahmed picked up three wickets each for 13 and 23 runs respectively while Ripon took two for

In reply, Gopibagh reached their winning target of 150 runs for three in 35 overs with opener Jewel scoring highest 39 and Shamsul remaining not out on 35.

At the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium, City Club beat Eskaton Sabuj Sangha by six wick-Batting first, Eskaton Sabuj

Sangha made 111 for all in 23.5 overs with Shahjada contributing highest 23 runs. Sohag destroyed the opposi-

tion batting line-up claiming six wickets for 25 while Sohel took three for 16. In reply, City Club played only, six overs to reach their

target making 115 for 4 with opener Maqsi hammering 51 off 19 deliveries. Shahidul took two wickets

for 25 runs.

M'singh cricket

MYMENSINGH, Apr 16: County Club and Shapla KC won their respective matches in the First Division cricket tournament held at different venues here today, reports UNB. At the Circuit House ground,

County Club outplayed Mukul Fouz Green by 8 wickets.

Batting first Mukul Fouz scored 85 for all in 34 overs. Omar made 20 and Sumon 15 runs. Zahir and Rakib claimed 3 wickets each giving away 10 and 16 runs respectively while Rabbi took two wickets conceding 14 runs.

In reply Country Club easily made 89 runs in 17.4 overs losing only two wickets. In the other match at local

stadium, Shapla KC defeated Asit Memorial Club by 89 runs. Winning the toss, Shapla KC decided to bat first and made 198 for 8 in the stipulated 40

Nadim scored the highest 48 while Robin 27. Shahnoor took three wickets for 35 while Ashraf captured two for 31

In reply Asit Memorial gave walkover after making 109 Afrooz captured three wick-

runs for 6 in 38 overs. ets for 7 while Billu two for 21.

3rd ODI

Sports Reporter The third one-day interna-

tional between Australia and West Indies - a double header will be played today and tomorrow at Trinidad. Star Sports will telecast the

match from 7.30 pm. The seven-match series is tied at a game apiece.

Dale hopes to be fit for WC

BRISBANE, Apr 16: Australian medium-pacer Adam Dale said today he was confident he would be fit to play in next month's cricket World Cup in England, reports AFP.

Dale arrived home from the Caribbean today after pneumonia forced him out of the oneday series against the West In-

But he said he was confident he would make a complete recovery to rejoin the Australian one-day squad for the World

The Queensland seamer's presence in the English conditions is considered vital to Australia's hopes of regaining the World Cup, with Dale's nagging style providing the foil for pace spearhead Glenn McGrath. "It's getting better and over the last week there's been a lot

of improvement so I'm definitely on the mend," Dale said after arriving here with teammate Andrew Bichel. "It's certainly disappointing to leave the tour after having such a great time but the medi-

World Cup."

cal advice was with such a hecat their fiercest. tic schedule it would be better Celsius have been common in for me to come home and meet up with the guys in England," said Dale. "I would have loved to play in the one-dayers at the moment but now I'm looking for-

ward to getting back for the

Minnows prepare differently

LONDON, Apr 16: Scotland and Bangladesh, the two cricket minnows competing in the World Cup starting May 14 in England, are capping off their preparations in opposite extremes, reports AP.

The Bangladesh national team, coached by former West Indian opening batsman Gordon Greenidge, was the first team to arrive in England to acclimatise for the World Cup. Meanwhile, Scotland jetted

off for Sharjah on Friday on a three-match tour. Scotland coach Jim Love is leading a 14-man squad, minus

Yorkshire's international Gavin Hamilton, to matches against three local teams in the United Arab Emirates. Scotland and Bangladesh meet in a World Cup clash in

Edinburgh on May 24 and both teams have targeted the match as a crucial encounter. The two teams line up in a group also containing Aus-

tralia. Pakistan, the West Indies and New Zealand. Only three teams advance from the Group stage into a Super Six

round — the final qualifying round before the finals.

The other group includes favourites South Africa, defending titlist Sri Lanka, host England, India, Zimbabwe and Kenya.



Greenidge, who arrived with the Bangladesh team at Gatwick Airport Thursday, said the timing of the tournament favoured England because other teams didn't have time to adjust to the conditions.

"July would have been a bet-

ter time . . . for some of the other teams, because the pitches would not be so different from the ones they play on for the

rest of the year," he said. Greenidge said his team would be lucky to win a World Cup match and had been beset with internal problems since qualifying by winning the ICC Trophy two years ago. He said any of the top nine

teams were capable of winning the competition.

Bangladesh have applied to the International Cricket Council for Test status and Greenidge, national coach of two years, said the World Cup would help develop cricket in a country where neighbouring India and Pakistan are among the international leaders in the

The World Cup starts at Lod's on May 14 with a match between England and Sri Lanka.

Scotland open their campaign against Australia at Worcester on May 16, while Bangladesh start against New Zealand at Chelmsford on May



Bangladesh cricket team captain Aminul Islam (L), manager Tanvir Mazharul Islam (C) and coach Gordon Greenidge talk to the press on their arrival at Gatwick Airport in London on April 15. - AllSport photo

Akram inspires Pakistan

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates. Apr 16 (Reuters/ Internet): Pakistan, spearheaded by an inspired spell of bowling from skipper Wasim Akram, shot out India for a meagre 125 in the final of

the Sharjah Cup triangular series on Friday. Cheered on by a packed house, Wasim took three for 11, including two wickets in his

first over He removed Sadagopan Ramesh and Rahul Dravid, both

leg before wicket, with his third and fourth deliveries The Pakistan captain nearly completed a hattrick when his in-swinger rapped Mohammad Azharuddin on the pads but he

was no-balled in the process. Reeling at nought for two. India were reduced to a shaky 50 for five by the 21st over. Azharuddin, who missed three of the tournament's

round-robin matches because of a toe injury, fell to a casual shot for two while Ajay Jadeja was brilliantly caught by Saeed Anwar in the covers for 14. Javagal Srinath edged to

wicketkeeper Moin Khan for three, a decision given by third umpire Ian Robinson of Zimbabwe after television replays confirmed that Moin had collected the ball cleanly.

Completely demoralised, India continued to bat irresponsibly and the run outs of Robin Singh, Nayan Mongia and Anil Kumble further undermined their faltering innings.

Alhough opener Saurav Ganguly offered some protracted resistance, he was unable to shepherd his team to safety. He struck a subdued 50 off 95

balls with two fours before skying the ball to long on. Wasim, who completed an

opening spell of 7-3-8-2, returned to wrap up the Indian innings, bowling Ajit Agarkar

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard of the Indian in-

nings in the Champions' Cup one-day final against Pakistan on Friday: INDIA Ramesh lbw b Akram

Ganguly c Youhana b Arshad 50

Azharuddin c Mahmood b Akhtar Jadeja c Anwar b Mahmood Srinath c Moin b Mahmood Singh run out Mongia run out Agarkar b Akram Kumble run out Prasad not out Extras: (w-4, nb-9) Total: (All out in 45 overs)

Dravid lbw b Akram

Fall of wkts: 1-0; 2-0; 3-14; 4-46; 5-50; 6-81; 7-84; 8-104; 9-

Bowler Akram Akhtar Mahmood Saglain Arshad Afridi

Nat'l youth v'ball The 19th SAHCO national

youth volleyball tournament, organised jointly by Bangladesh Volleyball Federation and SAHCO International got off to a start at the volleyball ground here yesterday, reports APB.

ers Comilla defeated Rajshahi by 30-32, 25-23, 25-6 and 25-20 points and Rangpur pulled off an upset 25-21, 25-20 and 25-19 points victory over last year's runners-up Gazipur. Eight teams from different districts, are taking part in the

On the inaugural day, hold-

meet on completion of zonal qualifying round. The participating teams are - Comilla, Rajshahi, Gazipur, Rangpur, Jhenidah, Khulna, Narail and

Earlier, Syed Abul Hossain, MP, Managing Director of SAHCO International, inaugurated the meet.

Zambia and Spain blamed

soaring temperatures after

less draw in the southeastern

matches, the game was almost

farcical and played mostly at

Like many other afternoon

Argentina coach Jose Peck-

erman, whose team lost to

Mexico in an evening game on

Thursday, said enough was

enough and that governing body

FIFA should end the practice of

forcing players to run around

under a merciless sun -- at any

"They should stop playing

their sides played a dire goal-

city of Calabar.

walking pace.

age level.

Unable to take the heat!



net): Ireland have blamed the swel-WIGERIA 1999 Nigeria tering heat of for their World Youth Cup exit Coach Brian Kerr said after

hosts in a second round penalty shoot-out on Wednesday: "The boys are drained because of the heat. Without it, we would have beaten Nigeria." Costa Rica, Zambia, Spain, Mexico, Australia, Argentina and Croatia have also claimed their poor performances were

his team were beaten by the

caused by a problem which Diego Maradona once predicted would eventually kill a player. Matches have often been played in unsuitable conditions in the last two decades but rarely have players been ex-pected to perform in the furnace

temperatures experienced here. Even though the tournament is being played at the hottest time of year, teams have been routinely expected to play in late afternoon with conditions Temperatures touching 40

northern venues such as Kaduna, Bauchi and Kano. The coastal cities of Port Harcourt and Lagos are slightly cooler but stifling humidity makes decent football impractical. Costa Rica coach Carlos

Watson echoed Kerr after his team lost 2-0 to Ghana on Wednesday. 'Today, it was too hot for us to play our normal

Africans unite in appeal

JOHANNESBURG, Apr 16 (Reuters/Internet): The Confederation of African Football (CAF) has made a formal appeal to FIFA, and to the presidents of the five other soccer confederations, for the 2006 World Cup finals to be awarded to Africa.

"In the spirit of the principle of rotation, which saw the USA host the finals in 1994, Europe in 1998 and Asia to host the next finals in 2002, it is only fair that the 2006 finals go to Africa," CAF said in a statement on Thursday. "For the 2002 edition, in a

stand of solidarity and mutual respect, all the confederations backed Asia as a sole candidate to host the World Cup finals through the bids of Japan and Korea.

"Given that several African countries already fulfil the conditions required for the organisation of the World Cup it would be fair to have the 2006. edition held in Africa." Five African countries are in the race to host the 2006 finals.

and Brazil.

along with England, Germany

matches in these conditions. No matter how well you prepare your players, you cannot compete normally," he said. "Around 25 Celsius is the maximum temperature at which you can play at a normal Only Ghana and Nigeria,

who have so far played all their games in the afternoon, seem to have been enjoying the condi-"Ghana have played all their matches at four o'clock and we don't know why,~ added Peck-

erman. ~Nobody knows who decides these things. We have come here to Nigeria in a positive frame of mind and then these things happen."

