

Sport

Star players for FIFA All Stars

SYDNEY, Apr 29: French World Cup hero Zinedine Zidane and Manchester United...

FIFA Thursday announced a 32-man provisional squad, to be reduced to a final 18 in mid-May.

Australian fans can also anticipate seeing three members of France's 1998 World Cup winning team...

Argentinian striker Gabriel Batistuta's appearance will invoke local memories when the Socceroos went down to the South Americans...

The expected 100,000 sell-out crowd will see their overseas-based heroes, Mark Bosnich, Harry Kewell, Mark Viduka, Tony Vidmar, Ned Zelic and Ilija Okun...

Italy draw in Croatia

ZAGREB, Apr 29: Croatia drew 0-0 with Italy here on Wednesday in a lacklustre friendly where neither side bared their teeth...

The match, played at a relaxed pace, was notable only for the 100th cap for Paolo Maldini and a first for AC Milan club-mate Massimo Ambrosini.

Skipper Maldini came closest to breaking the deadlock in the 25th minute, hitting the post with a header from Christian Panucci's free-kick.

Italy's only other chance of the half fell five minutes later for Christian Vieri, playing his first match for Italy since last September's Euro 2000 qualifier over Wales.

Vieri, back after a series of injuries, failed to connect with Diego Fuser's inviting chip from the right and strike partner Filippo Inzaghi arrived too late to snap up the loose ball.

Vieri missed again in the 64th minute, sending a powerful header well wide from Demetrio Albertini's curling free-kick.

Croatia, who came third at the 1998 World Cup finals, only threatened to accompany mouth-meals in the last five minutes, aside from Goran Vlaovic's tame first-half header straight at Italy goalkeeper Gianluigi Buffon.

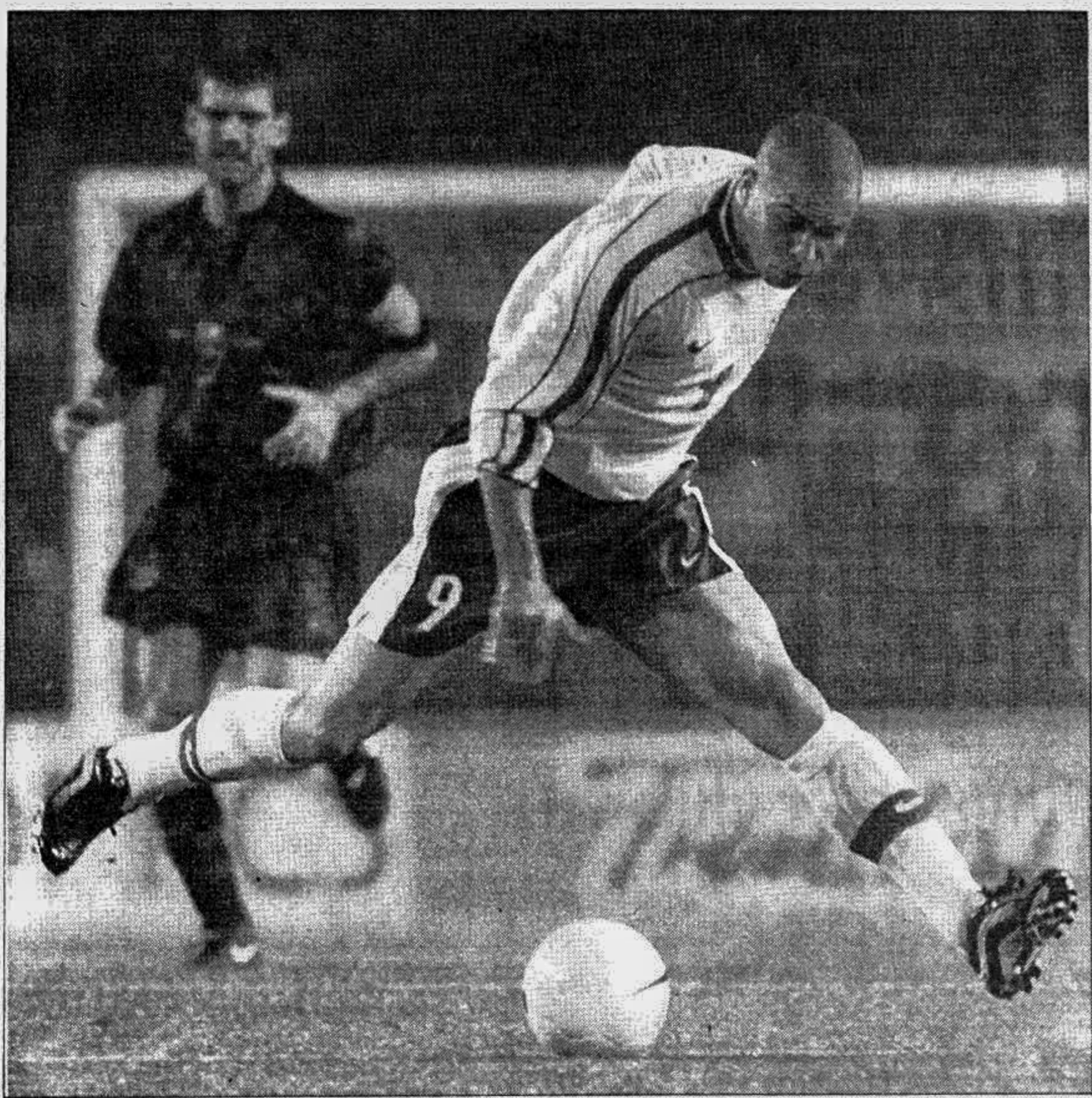
SA footballer shot by police

JOHANNESBURG, Apr 29: A young South African footballer was shot and wounded by police while trying to escape after being arrested in connection with a stolen car, police said Thursday, reports AFP.

Lifa Gqosha, a midfielder with South African glamour club Kaizer Chiefs, is to be charged with possession of a stolen vehicle and assault on a police officer, police spokesman Superintendent Govindamy Mariemuthoo said.

Gqosha was arrested on Tuesday night after police stopped him in Johannesburg's sprawling black township of Soweto and found that the engine numbers of his vehicle had been tampered with.

The footballer allegedly refused to accompany police to a vehicle pound and assaulted a police officer.



VINTAGE RONALDO: Superstar Ronaldo (R) conjuring his magic for Brazil during the exhibition match against Barcelona at Nou Camp on April 28.

Ronaldo back to old self?



BARCELONA, Apr 29 (Reuters/Internet): Brazil coach Wanderley Luxemburgo forecast a new era of success for his troubled striker Ronaldo after an outstanding performance on Wednesday.

Ronaldo scored one goal and set up the second in Brazil's 2-2 draw with Barcelona in the club's centenary celebration, his first appearance for the national side since last year's World Cup final defeat to France.

The former world footballer-of-the-year skipped past the Barcelona defence to give Brazil the lead in the first half before slipping the pass for Rivaldo to smash in his side's second.

While still some way short of full match fitness, Ronaldo nevertheless proved a constant danger for the Barcelona defence in a performance that delighted Luxemburgo. "Ronaldo was very good in this game," said the Brazilian boss. "He looked in good shape, happy to be back with Brazil."

"He hadn't played for a while and to return, for a Brazilian, is very important. "I'm convinced that from now on everything will go well for him."

tormented the world's best defenders as he has struggled to shake off a knee injury. He has scored just nine league goals for Inter so far this season and his first half strike against Barcelona on Wednesday was his first in open play since January 10. He showed enough quality at the Nou Camp to remind the fans of what they have been missing and leave his former team mates convinced that he's still got what it takes. "He's still the best," reflected Luis Enrique. "I just hope he stays free of injury and is allowed to enjoy his football."

Dutch defender Michael Reiziger added: "He's absolutely lethal in the last few metres. His goal was fantastic."

Barca, Brazil entertain



BARCELONA would pause of the Barca fans. Spain: Apr 29: The Brazilian national team drew 2-2 with Barcelona at the Nou Camp Stadium Wednesday in the Catalan club's centenary match.

Six minutes later Barcelona levelled it through Luis Enrique who profited from a misjudged rush out of his goal from Brazil keeper Rogério. Four minutes before the break a current Barcelona player, Rivaldo, made it 2-1 for Brazil - Brazil coach Wanderley Luxemburgo had insisted the midfielder wear his country's jersey rather than that of his club.

In a show of respect to his club, Rivaldo, who had vowed not to celebrate if he scored, lifted his shirt to reveal a t-shirt bearing the Catalan club's crest. Barcelona brought on Xavi, the star of Spain's world under-20 championship-winning side, in the second half. But it was another bungle from Brazilian goalkeeper Rogério, after a cross from Luis Figo, that presented Dutchman Phillip Cocu with the equaliser that made the score 2-2.

TV Guide

Friday 30th April (All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)
BBC 6:00 BBC News Followed by Weather 6:30 World Living: Talking Movies 5:00 The World Today 6:30 World World: Life sense 3/6 Partners for Life: The programme compares attitudes between different cultures to domestic animals, from the viewpoint of animals in our lives and homes 7:00 BBC World News 7:15 World Business Report Followed by Weather 7:30 The World Today 8:00 World Living: Talking Movies 9:00 BBC World News Followed by Weather 10:00 BBC World News 10:15 World Business Report Followed by Weather 10:30 Question Time: India: Dr Prannoy Roy chairs a distinguished panel of politicians and independent viewpoints in front of an audience asking the most important questions of the day 11:30 The World Today 12:30 Hardtalk 4:00 BBC World News Followed by Weather 4:30 World Living: Talking Movies 5:00 The World Today 6:30 World World: Life sense 3/6 Partners for Life: The programme compares attitudes between different cultures to domestic animals, from the viewpoint of animals in our lives and homes 7:00 BBC World News 7:15 World Business Report Followed by Weather 7:30 The World Today 8:00 World Living: Talking Movies 9:00 BBC World News Followed by Weather 10:00 BBC World News 10:15 World Business Report Followed by Weather 10:30 Question Time: India: Dr Prannoy Roy chairs a distinguished panel of politicians and independent viewpoints in front of an audience asking the most important questions of the day 11:30 The World Today 12:30 Hardtalk

STAR MOVIES
7:30 Thriller: The Game 9:30 Comedy: Home Alone PG 11:30 Sci-Fi: They Live 1:30 Thriller: The Last Seduction-2 1:15 3:30 Comedy: Home Alone PG 5:30 Drama: Alone 15 7:30 Thriller: Island of Dr Moreau 9:30 UK Top Ten 10:00 Friday Night: All Stars: Consenting Adults 15 12:15 Friday Fury: The Devil's Treasure 15 2:15 Drama: Christmas Miracle in Caullfield USA G 4:12 Thriller: Consenting Adults 15 6:00 Western: The River of No Return PG
STAR WORLD
6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 Brittas Empire 7:00 Pierre Franey's Cooking in France 7:30 The Wonder Years 8:00 Lassie 8:30 Newhart 9:00 Walker Texas Ranger 10:00 Think-takers 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 When Animals Attack 1:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 1:30 Topical Heat 2:00 Movie TV 3:00 Lassie 3:30 Small Wonder 4:00 Brittas Empire 4:30 World News 5:00 Asia News Update 5:05 World Business Report 5:30 Home Improvement 6:00 Dr Quinn Medicine Woman 7:00 An Audience with the Bee Gees 8:30 Rock From the Sun 9:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 9:30 Home Improvement 10:00 Dr Quinn Medicine Woman 11:00 An Audience with the Bee Gees 2:30 Rock From the Sun 1:30 Home Improvement 1:30 Newhart 2:00 Brittas Empire 2:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 3:00 The Wonder Years 3:30 Mr Belvedere 4:30 Aerobics Oz Style 4:00
STAR PLUS
6:30 Nainaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:15 Dress Circle 9:30 Good Morning India 11:30 It's a Small World 12:00 Prime Minister Speak 12:30 This

STAR MOVIES
7:30 Thriller: The Game 9:30 Comedy: Home Alone PG 11:30 Sci-Fi: They Live 1:30 Thriller: The Last Seduction-2 1:15 3:30 Comedy: Home Alone PG 5:30 Drama: Alone 15 7:30 Thriller: Island of Dr Moreau 9:30 UK Top Ten 10:00 Friday Night: All Stars: Consenting Adults 15 12:15 Friday Fury: The Devil's Treasure 15 2:15 Drama: Christmas Miracle in Caullfield USA G 4:12 Thriller: Consenting Adults 15 6:00 Western: The River of No Return PG
MTV INDIA
7:00 Non-Stop Hits 8:00 MTV Hanging Out VJ Rahul / Sonia 9:00 Classic MTV VJ Sarah / Rahul 10:00 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 MTV Most wanted VJ Nidya 11:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaaz / Amrita 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV House Full V Nafisa 1:30 MTV In Control: Cricket 2:30 MTV Select VJ Nikhil 3:30 Love Line VJ Malaika 4:00 Non-Stop Hits 4:30 Pepsi Dance Connection Special TV MTV 5:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Nidya 6:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaaz / Amrita / Nikhil 7:30 MTV & Kenwood India Hit List VJ Rahul 8:00 MTV & Smirnoff Mega Mix VJ Nafisa 8:30 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full VJ Nafisa 10:30 Non-Stop Hits 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:30 Non-Stop Hits Continue...
MUSIC ASIA
7:30 Aalaap 8:00 B&W Gens 8:30 All Time Hits 9:00 Hit Parade 9:30 World Premiere 9:45 Brake Fall 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 11:30 Bajaj Music Box 12:00 World Premiere 12:15 Medimix Madhur Moments 12:30

National swimming Rehana rules the pool

Sports Reporter Two more new national records were set in the Keys Cosmetics 18th National Swimming Championships at the National Swimming Complex yesterday.

On the second day of the three-day meet, Rehana Zaman of Ansars set the first record in the 800m freestyle by clocking 12 minutes and 7.15 seconds. The previous record was 12 minutes and 7.49 seconds.

Sabura Khatun of Kushitia, who also broke the previous record, with a time of 12 minutes and 7.43 seconds, won the silver while Lipi Akhter of Ansars clinched the bronze.

After winning the 800m freestyle, ace swimmer Rehana, who won her first gold in the 200m individual medley on Wednesday, went on to win the 200m and 50m freestyle to raise her gold tally to four at the end of day two.

Sabura, almost as a routine, followed Rehana for the silver while Ratna Khatun of BKSP won the bronze.

The day's other record was set in the 4x200m freestyle relay, which Bangladesh Navy won in 8 minutes and 32.53 seconds, bettering the previous time of 8 minutes and 38.25 seconds. Bangladesh Army bagged the silver while BKSP won the bronze in the event.

Following are the medalists of the 15 events that were decided yesterday:
Men's
200m freestyle
1. MS Rahman (Navy)
2. Monirul Islam (Navy)
3. Monir Hossain (Army)
50m backstroke
1. Abdur Razzak (Army)
2. MN Kabir (Navy)
3. Ayubullah (Army)
200m breaststroke
1. MN Ali (Navy)
2. Mokbil Hossain (Army)
3. Monirul Islam (Kushitia)
100m butterfly
1. Jewel Ahmed (BKSP)
2. MM Zaman (Navy)
3. Abdul Hamid (Navy)
100m backstroke
1. Abdur Razzak (Army)
2. MN Kabir (Navy)
3. Ahmed (BKSP)
1500m freestyle
1. Asaduzzaman (Army)
2. Julhas Alam (Navy)
3. MD Islam (Navy)
50m freestyle
1. Monirul Islam (Navy)
2. Monir Hossain (Army)
3. Jewel Ahmed (BKSP)
4x200m freestyle relay
1. Bangladesh Navy
2. Bangladesh Army
3. BKSP

Women's
200m freestyle
1. Rehana Zaman (Ansars)
2. Kamala Akhter (Ansars)
3. Sabura Khatun (Kushitia)
50m backstroke
1. Sabura Khatun (Kushitia)
2. Ratna Khatun (BKSP)
3. Hasina Akhter (Ansars)
200m breaststroke
1. Mumtaz Shirin (Ansars)
2. Hasina Akhter (Ansars)
3. Marjita Akhter (Kushitia)
100m butterfly
1. Mita (Ansars)
2. Beauty (Ansars)
3. Monira Sultana (BKSP)
100m backstroke
1. Ratna Khatun (BKSP)
2. Kamala (Ansars)
3. Sabura Khatun (Kushitia)
800m freestyle
1. Rehana Zaman (Ansars)
2. Sabura Khatun (Kushitia)
3. Lipi Akhter (Ansars)
50m freestyle
1. Rehana Zaman (Ansars)
2. Sabura Khatun (Kushitia)
3. Ratna Khatun (BKSP)

Hungary hold England

BUDAPEST, Apr 29: England failed to make it two wins out of two for temporary boss Kevin Keegan as an Alan Shearer penalty proved insufficient to see off Hungary in a 1-1 friendly international draw here Wednesday, reports AFP.

Keegan's decision to blood Sunderland striker Kevin Phillips and Manchester United defender Wes Brown in an experimental side nearly ended in embarrassment as a spirited Hungarian side belatedly took the game to England.

Despite being a poor shadow of the Ferenc Puskas-led selection which taught England two footballing lessons in the 1950s, the Hungarians rallied strongly after going behind to Shearer's opener from the penalty spot and might easily have snatched victory.

Shearer broke the deadlock from the penalty spot midway through the first half of a generally low-key encounter in which England started by far the brighter.

Shearer, whom Keegan turned into the world's then most expensive player by bringing him to Tyneside three seasons ago from Blackburn, appeared to be bundled over inside the penalty box by Vilmos Sebok to win the spot-kick. The Newcastle United forward promptly stepped up and hammered the ball home right-footed for his 23rd goal in 49 appearances for his country. But England, instead of taking the game by the scruff of the neck, took their foot off the accelerator, content to go in at the interval at goal to the good.

And they paid for that complacency when defender Janos Hrutka swept in a majestic freekick 14 minutes from the end to give the Hungarians a draw they fully deserved on a much-improved second half showing. Substitute Jamie Carragher brought down Dardal on the edge of the England penalty area and Hrutka curled a beauty which Scaman was powerless to stop.

The goal was Hungary's first against England in eight meetings. Fielding just five of the side which beat Poland in last month's Euro 2000 qualifier at Wembley, Keegan might have hoped for more from his experimental side in the Nep Stadium, where once again Steve McManaman was disappointing having been given a free role.

But there were plus points. David Batty was influential in midfield while Rio Ferdinand was impressive in defence before giving way late on to Liverpool youngster Carragher, who entered the fray for his debut on the hour.

Both Phillips and Brown seized the opportunity to claim squad berths for the next European Championship qualifier against Sweden after turning in solid performances. Phillips, whose goals have taken Sunderland back into the Premiership this season and who used to clean Shearer's boots at Southampton, in particular looked unfazed by the

occasion and he was quick to try out his shooting boots with a speculative 25-yarder. Nicky Butt almost drew first blood for England, but his low effort saw a deflection take the pace off the ball and keeper Gabor Kiraly saved comfortably. The Hungarians only ventured forward spasmodically but in the 14th minute David Seaman, winning his 50th cap, came to England's rescue with a fine save.

Gyorgy Korsos played the ball through to Bela Iles and his powerful first time shot was tipped over by the Arsenal keeper. Just after his penalty, Shearer almost turned goal provider as he set up a great chance for Phillips. The debutant found himself with only Kiraly to beat but his low shot cannoned to safety off Kiraly's legs.

Kiraly then denied Shearer after the striker had beaten Janos Matyas following a mammoth clearance from Seaman. Midway through the second half Seaman twice had to come to England's rescue, saving a Tibor Dombi snapshot and then tipping over a fine curling effort from the same player.

Shearer ought to have bagged victory four minutes from the end but Giraly smothered his close range to evoke after the ball had run loose beyond substitute Emile Heskey of Leicester City, another debutant alongside fellow sub Michael Gray, who replaced Brown on 73 minutes.



England striker Alan Shearer converts from the spot during the friendly international against Hungary on April 28. The match ended 1-1. —AFP photo

Scots upset Germany

BREMEN, Germany, Apr 29: A depleted Scotland claimed an upset 1-0 victory in a friendly international here Wednesday to register their first win over the three-times world champions in 40 years, reports AFP.

Don Hutchison, from English Premiership club Everton, scored the winner in the 66th minute after being set up by Callum Davidson. The Scottish lead was wholly unexpected after they failed to put in a single shot on goal in the opening half. Injuries forced the Scots to assemble a squad which barely resembled the one which played

in last year's World Cup and it showed in the opening hour as Germany controlled affairs. The Germans were lacking bite, though, and rarely threatened to score. There were doubts at half time if the match would continue because of a power blackout. The lights came back on, however, after almost a quarter of an hour.

"We were joking in the rooms that Bremen must have run out of money to pay the electricity bill after re-signing Marco Bode," German captain Oliver Bierhoff smiled. But there was little for the reigning European champions to smile about once battle recommenced.

After the substitution of captain and AC Milan striker Oliver Bierhoff for Leverkusen's Ulf Kirsten and Newcastle United's midfielder Dietmar Hamann for debutant Michael Ballack on the hour Germany lost their way.

Scotland last beat Germany in May 1959 with a 3-2 result in Glasgow and coach Craig Brown was ecstatic at ending that run courtesy of Hutchison's strike, which marked his first start for the Scots. Brown now hopes to build on a famous win in the run up to Euro 2000 qualifiers away to the Faroe Islands and the impressive Czech Republic in June.

DD CHANNEL-1 (National)
5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of the Day 6:00 Serial: Aradhana 6:30 UGC Prog: 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:45 The News 9:50 This Morning's Business 9:00 Suba Sabera 9:30 Nayna 10:00 UGC Prog: 10:30 Serial: Tarang 11:30 Serial: Youth 12:30 Serial: Aurat 1:00 Serial: Aparajita 1:30 Serial: Ithaas 1:30 Serial: Waqt Ki Raftar 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Serial: Roop Suhane 3:00 Serial: Anp Ki Shanti 3:30 Serial: Ujala 4:00 Tea Time Monoranjan 4:30 Sunhare Sapne 5:00 Choti Se Aasha 5:30 Music 6:00 Buzurgon Ke Lye 6:15 CIET Programme 6:30 Dilli Ajjtak 6:45 Falak 7:00 Krishi Darshan 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Parichamma 8:00 Feroz 8:25 Serial: Gout Bahar 9:00 Samachar 9:30 The News 10:00 Serial: Idhar Udhar 10:30 Serial: Nehle Pe Dehla 11:32 Serial: Iyadgaar 12:02 Sp: Prog

ZEE TV
6:00 Yaadon Ki Pal-B/W Songs 6:30 Zee News (Rept) 6:50 Jhalakj-Trailer 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Jr: Horlicks- Choti Choti Batein 8:30 Adhikar 9:00 Zara Haa Ke Filmi Chalkar 9:30 Dikhyo Bhai Dekh 1:00 0 Chamatkar 1:30 Bhanwar (Based On True Story) 2:00 Rang Birangee-Songs 3:00 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Wad 3:30 Cine Nite Show-Hindi Feature Film: Aadmi Sadak Ka

ZEE CINEMA
8:15 Anjali Arpan (Chetan Anand) 11:15 Movie Fare 11:30 Woh Mili Thi (Vinod Mehra, Yogita Bali) 2:30 Madhyam 2:45 Top of the Tops 3:15 Joru Ka Gulam (Rajesh Khanna, Nanda) 6:15 Ek Mood Anok 7:00 The Mask 6:45 Making of a Legend 7:15 Kahani Kismat Ki (Dharmendra, Rekha) 10:30 Naam (Sanjay Dutt, Kumar Gaurav, Amrita Singh)
ZEE INDIA TV
7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 11:30
Cartoon Network
5:30 World Famous Toons 6:30 The Real Adventure of Johnny 7:00 Tom & Jerry Kids 7:30 The Poppee Show 8:00 Scooby & Scrappy Doo 8:30 Perils of Penelope 9:00 Josie & Pussycat 9:30 Drink The Little 10:00 Flinstone Kids 10:30 Riche Rich 11:00 Top Cat 11:30 Captain Planet 12:00 Scooby Doo 12:30 The Cartoon Grand Prix 1:30 Fantastic Max 2:00 Crocodile 2:30 The New Scooby Doo Movies 3:00 Sky Commanders 4:00 Centurions 4:30 Swats Kats 5:00 Ninja Robots 5:30 Flinstone 6:00 Tom & Jerry Kids 6:30 Crocodile 7:00 The Mask 7:30 Dexters Laboratory 7:45 Whats a Cartoon! Show 8:00 The Addams Family 8:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You 9:00 The Popeye Show