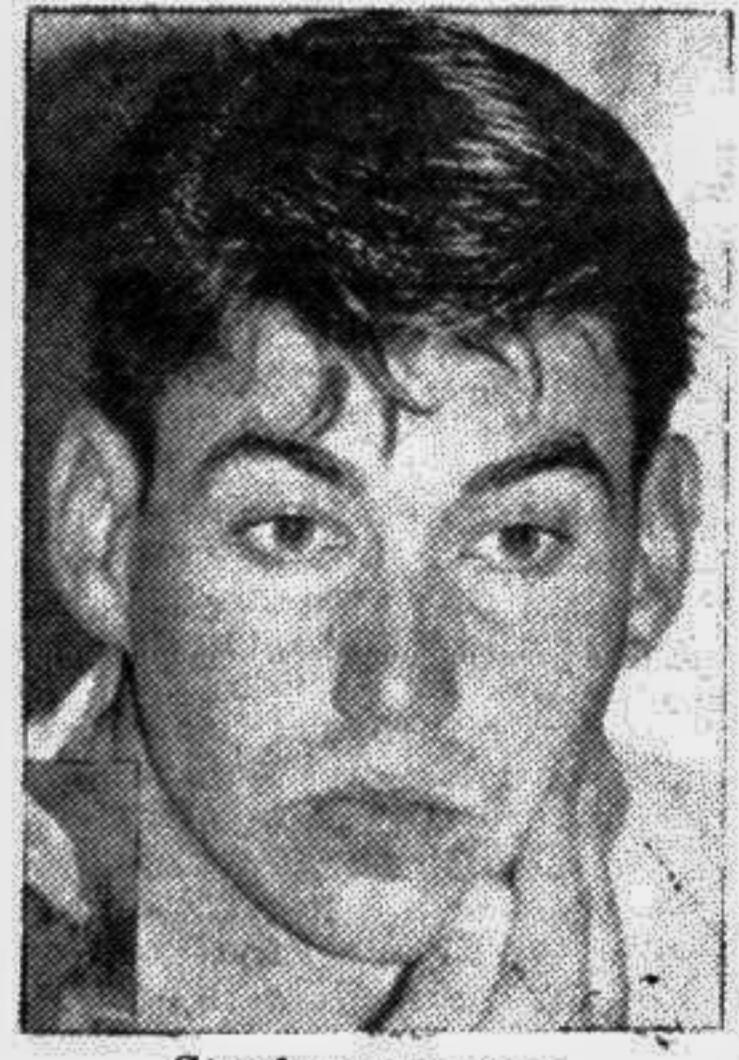


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Stephen Fleming
(New Zealand cricket captain)
"I watch soccer and Australian Rules Football. Basically I am a family man and enjoy being with my near and dear ones."

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1 Who won the DMC Cup in Toronto?

India W Indies Pakistan

2 Where will the next SAF Games be held?

Maldives Pakistan Bhutan

3 How many Test wickets has Kapil Dev taken?

432 433 434

4 Who is the fastest man in South Asia?

Anil Bijayan Bimal

5 What is the name of Tendulkar's daughter?

Diva Sarah Nisha

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Bangabandhu Gold Cup in Nov

CHITTAGONG, Oct 11: Bangabandhu Gold Cup tournament, organised by Uttar Madarsa Bangabandhu Gold Cup Committee, will begin in the first week of November, reports UNB.

Intending clubs have been advised to contact Alapan, Fatchbad High School Gate or United Pharmacy, Madarsa High School Gate by October 25 for registration.

Talbot also approves it

SYDNEY, Oct 11: Australian head swim coach Don Talbot wants swimwear manufacturers to make the controversial full-length bodysuit widely available after it was approved by the sport's world governing body, reports AFP.

FINA said Sunday the swim-suits were legal after Talbot raised questions over whether the costume provided extra buoyancy.

Talbot said he was satisfied with FINA's ruling but added he hoped the suits became available to all swimmers before next year's Sydney Olympics.

The suits have so far been worn by only a handful of top swimmers including Australian sprint king Michael Klim, who used the suit for the first time in Brisbane in July.

"I have no problem with that decision at all because all I wanted was to make sure it was legal," Talbot said Monday.

"Now I want to make sure it's available to everyone because it's not in the best interests of the sport if advanced technology is only available to a certain few."

"I wouldn't like someone to win because they have the best technology and not because they're the most talented person."

Talbot said he had been told by Speedo, which manufactures swimwear for the Australian team, that bodysuits would be widely available.

FINA's executive bureau met in Bangkok at the weekend to determine the legality of the suits, reviewing research and design reports from sportswear companies.

Meghna Life Summer Athletics from today BAAF boss names the 'corrupt'

Sports Reporter

The 3-day Meghna Life 6th Summer Athletics Championship, an annual summer meet of Bangladesh Amateur Athletic Federation (BAAF), will begin at the Sher-e-Bangla Stadium in Mirpur this afternoon.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader will inaugurate the tourney through a colourful opening ceremony.

Around three hundred athletes including 50 women are expected to take part in the championships which conclude on October 14.

A press conference was held yesterday at the National Sports Council auditorium in connection with the meet with BAAF president Kamal Ahmed Majumder MP in the chair. Nizam Uddin Ahmed, managing director of Meghna Life Insurance Company, BAAF acting general secretary Tofazzal Hossain and federation officials were present on the occasion.

Tofazzal Hossain, revealed that 175 athletes had reported to the BAAF by yesterday afternoon and that they were expecting another about 125 to report later in the day.

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