

# Star Sport

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## Column One

### Boost sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

#### Competition-122

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Post to The Daily Star, Who attractive prizes

Competition closes at 8 pm Oct 29, '99 and draw shortly afterwards

1 Which country won the SAF football gold?

Bangladesh India Nepal

2 Who is the captain of Brazil?

Cafu Rivaldo Ronaldinho

3 How many teams will play in next year's Asia Cup cricket?

4 Who won the men's 100 m in the Summer Athletics?

Mahbub Yasin Ratan

5 Who lifted the Grand Slam Cup title?

Rusedski Agassi Kafelnikov

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## SPORTS TALK



### David Beckham

(England's star playmaker)

"Each time I watch Rivaldo or Ronaldo on TV, I try to take in what I see. I become like a sponge."

### Cricket for Africa

JOHANNESBURG, Oct 19 (Internet report): With the field almost certain to be increased to 14, South Africa are already gearing themselves up to host the largest ever World Cup cricket competition in 2003. And the theme as far as United Cricket Board managing director Ali Bacher is concerned is going to be "Cricket for Africa".

For starters, both Zimbabwe and Kenya will in all probability be staging pool games, but at the same time Bacher is also intent on keeping his "township development" fires burning.

Anything from three to five Cup games will be designated to township grounds and in addition Durban's Chatsworth stadium is assured of a match or two.

"All eleven of our major venues will obviously come into the reckoning," said Bacher, "but we will also be looking at areas like Langa, Zwide and Soweto. That's imperative."

Certain stadia, he added, would obviously have to be upgraded and with this in mind Professor Eugene van Vuuren, a lecturer at Pretoria University and a specialist on world stadiums, has been appointed to investigate the current status of all possible venues.

"He will be reporting back to us at the end of March next year," said Bacher, "but it's actually going to be a three-year project and the costs of any upgrading will be borne by the UCB."

### Gloucs to play SA champs

JOHANNESBURG, Oct 19 (Internet report): English cricket's one-day champions Gloucester will lend some added spice to this summer's Standard Bank Cup here by way of a one-off "international" against the SA champions on March 31.

Gloucester, who lifted both the Super and Natwest cups this year, will be making a two-week tour to south Africa as part of their build-up to next summer's county programme.

The final of the SA Cup competition is scheduled to be played on March 24 the winners of which will then meet Gloucester in a day-night game on their home ground.



National Sports Council awardee footballer, shooters and cricketers pose with NSC chairman and Youth and Sports Minister Obaidul Quader (sitting 2nd from R) and other officials during the prize-giving ceremony yesterday.

## Weather upsets Alleyne & Co

Sports Reporter

England A captain Mark Alleyne expressed his deep concern about the wet weather prevailing in the country for the last couple of days.

"I'm worried about the weather, which looks very unfriendly at this moment," said Alleyne, who is leading the second-string England side against different local selections in a series of matches during their 19-day tour.

The visibly disappointed Gloucestershire all-rounder, however, said that they were eagerly waiting to experience the sub-continent wicket and the tough challenge from the hosts. "We have seen Bangladesh playing in the World Cup. I think this will be a very exciting one for us," said Alleyne while talking to a host of journalists at a press briefing at the BCB conference room yesterday.

England A coach Martyn Moxon said, "We have practised together for only three days before coming here. But I think the visit to Dhaka ahead of our New Zealand tour will provide us the opportunity to have the sense of the slow and turning wickets as well as a very tough competitor".

The persistent rain has cast a gloom on the tour. Alleyne and company experienced a wet reception on arrival in the city

on Monday to feature in a couple of one-day matches, a three-day and a four-day match.

Alleyne's concern was compounded when his team had to be confined to the Sheraton Hotel, the temporary abode of the 14-man England side, for the whole day Tuesday as rain

continued to play foul.

The players however had a light warm-up session at the hotel's tennis court. Although more rain was forecast for today, the England team is all set to engage in an indoor practice session at the BCB in Savar.

The visitors will start the tour with a practice match (limited-over affair) at the BCB against the Bangladesh Youth team on October 22.

The secretary of the grounds committee Alam Chowdhury said if the rain continues they might be forced to postpone the practice match at the BCB.

"We are hopeful that the sun will shine tomorrow. But if it rains then it would be difficult for us to prepare the BCB ground for October 22. The wicket is all right. Our main cause of concern is the outfield," said a grim-faced Alam yesterday.

The condition of the Bangabandhu National Stadium is awfully bad at this moment. We have covered the pitch and it will be fine. But the ground is soggy. We need at least two days of sunshine to make the ground playable," said Alam.

Alam also said that heavy rain would also affect the wickets at Chittagong, where the three-day match will start from October 25. Alam however said they were expecting a sunny break within the next couple of days.

England A tour

Rates of tickets

Sports Reporter

The BCB yesterday announced the rates of tickets for the two one-day matches and the four-day match between Bangladesh selections and the visiting England A to be played at the Bangabandhu National Stadium.

Hospitality Box (A/C) Tk. 8000 (for three matches)

Hospitality Box (non-A/C) Tk. 6000 (for three matches)

Enclosure One-day 4-day match

Club House (West) Tk. 60 Tk. 50

Club House (East) Tk. 50 Tk. 40

VIP Tk. 130 Tk. 75

International Gallery Tk. 40 Tk. 30

Gallery (West) Tk. 20 Tk. 10

Gallery (East) Tk. 10 Tk. 10

Tickets will be available from different city branches of Al-Baraka Bank.

## Raza, Youhana propel

PAKISTAN

Shahid Afridi lbw b King

Wajahatullah Wasti c King

b Chanderpaul

Hasan Raza b King

77

Inzamamul Haq c Powell b Perry

61

Yousuf Youhana not out

71

Moin Khan run out

0

Abdu Razzaq not out

8

Extras: (lb-4, w-8, nb-3)

15

Total: (For five wickets in 50 overs) 255

Fall of wickets: 1-5; 2-47; 3-

145; 4-226; 5-226

Bowler O M R W

King 10 2 52 2

Dillon 10 0 26 0

Collins 10 0 58 0

Chanderpaul 5 0 23 1

Gayle 9 0 55 0

Perry 6 0 37 1

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SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates, Oct 19: Yusuf Youhana smashed an unbeaten 71 off 47 balls as Pakistan made 255 for five from 50 in the Sharjah Cup one-day international against the West Indies here today, reports Raza.

Younana, who added 81 for the fourth wicket with Raza, hit three boundaries and four sixes as Pakistan took 99 runs off the last 10 overs.

**SCOREBOARD**

Scoreboard of the Pakistan

innings in the Coca-Cola Sharjah Cup match against West Indies on Tuesday:

West Indian attack lacking firepower in the absence of the rested Curly Ambrose.

The burly Inzamam, who

came close to being run out

twice, hit five boundaries and a six, before pulling off spinner Nehemiah Perry to Ricardo Powell on the mid-wicket fence.

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Pakistan's innings after openers Moin Khan and Inzamam

totalled 145, Youhana and

Chanderpaul added 103 to

take Pakistan to 255.

Younana and Raza dug in to

retrieve the situation against a

### Inter-service aquatic ends

Two SAAF Games records,

seven national and eight inter-

service records were improved

in the inter-service swimming

championship which concluded

yesterday at the Bangladesh

Naval central swimming pool,

says an ISPR press release.

Two new records were estab-

lished yesterday. KS Islam,

Steward-II of the Bangladesh

Navy improved SAAF Games

and inter-service records in

100m breaststroke taking 1

minute 09:22 seconds. SAAF

Games record in the event was 1

minute 19:33 seconds while the

inter-service record in the event

was 1 minute 09:42 seconds.

M A Hamid, also of the

Bangladesh Navy improved na-

tional and inter-service record in

200m. Freestyle taking 2

minute 5:37 seconds. Previous

national record in the event was 2 minute 7:50 seconds.

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