

## Column One

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- Which country won the SAFF football gold?  
Bangladesh India Nepal
- Who is the captain of Brazil?  
Cafu Rivaldo Ronaldo
- How many teams will play in next year's Asia Cup cricket?  
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- Who won the men's 100 m in the Summer Athletics?  
Mahubub Yasin Ratan
- Who lifted the Grand Slam Cup title?  
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#### NOTICE

Due to some unavoidable reasons draw of WHIZZ KID Competition-122 could not be held last night. It will now be held next week, November 12.  
— Sports Editor

## SPORTS TALK



### Shane Warne

(Master Aussie leg-spinner)  
"I was up in the television commentary box for the Gabba Test last year with my shoulder injury but I'm hungry again."  
Talking before the start of the first Test against Pakistan in Brisbane.

### Soccer coaches' course begins

An AFC Regional B-licence coaching programme for football coaches began in the capital yesterday, reports UNB.  
State Minister for Youth and Sports president of National Sports Council (NSC) Obaidul Quader inaugurated the three-week course at the NSC conference room.  
Some 22 coaches, including two from Sri Lanka, are taking part in it. Singaporean AFC coach V Subramaniam is conducting the programme.

### Ntini back

EAST LONDON, Nov 5: The first black member of South Africa's cricket squad, Makhaya Ntini, made one run and bowled eight overs on Thursday, his first day back in action after an upper court overturned his six-year sentence for rape last month, reports AP.  
The judgment left Ntini free to continue his national and international cricket career, closely watched because of allegations that the sport has kept away from white players out of top level play.  
At 287 for nine wickets for the Border B team, Ntini made his way to the wicket and had time to make one run before Border B were all out for 290 against North West B. He bowled eight overs, costing only seven runs, and worked up a fair deal of pace, the South African Press Association reported.  
Ntini was kicked off the South African national team after he was convicted by a lower court of raping a 21-year-old student in December. He had also been suspended from the local Border Cricket Union.  
Ntini was sentenced on May 28 to six years in prison. High Court Judge Chris Jansen overturned the conviction because Ntini's guilt had not been proven beyond reasonable doubt and the woman's testimony about the alleged attack was "contradictory and inconsistent".  
In a country with the world's highest rape rate, some women's advocacy groups condemned the decision.



Action from yesterday's Premier Division football league match between Abahani and Arambagh at the Mirpur Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium. — Star photo

## Keya Premier Division League concludes, finally Abahani clinch second spot

Sports Reporter

Abahani Krira Chakra emerged runners-up in the Keya Premier Division Football League with a 2-0 win over Arambagh Krira Sangsad in the last 'Super-4' clash at the floodlit Sher-e-Bangla Stadium in Mirpur yesterday.  
Forwards Zakir and Mintu struck for the winners to end their more than five-month long premiership campaign on a winning note. The win followed their demoralising 0-3 defeat to their arch rivals Mohammedan Sporting in the previous match last Sunday.  
Abahani, with yesterday's win, raised their tally to 37 points on completion of the 18-match league and finished three points behind champions Mohammedan in the 'Super-4' table.  
The top four, also including Muktiyoddha Sangsad and Arambagh Krira Sangsad, qualified for the 'Super-4' after the first phase of the ten-team Premier league.  
Muktiyoddha Sangsad, last year's champions, finished third with 34 points.  
Arambagh, the fourth team in the fray, began and finished the 'Super-4' with 15 points. Arambagh did not earn any point in the last nine matches.  
Each team faced each other thrice in the 'Super-4'.  
Mirpur Chalanika and Youngmen's Club Fakirpool have been demoted to the First Division league. They finished at the bottom of the six-team relegation league, also involving Farashganj, Badda Jagarani, Brothers Union and Rahmatganj Muslim Friends Society.  
Back to yesterday's match, Abahani, who returned from Agartala on Thursday night after playing an exhibition match against East Bengal of Calcutta on Wednesday, looked pretty tired as they got off to a slow start.  
With their star Ghanaian striker Kennedy missing in the first eleven due to a stomach ailment, the Dhanmondi boys also lacked an edge in their attack.  
Makeshift forward Zakir

### ROLL OF HONOUR

Year	Champions	Runners-up
1973	BIDC	Mohammedan, Abahani & Wanderers (jointly)
1974	Abahani	Dilkusha BJC
1975	Mohammedan	Abahani
1976	Mohammedan	Rahmatganj
1977	Abahani	Brothers Union
1978	Mohammedan	Abahani
1979	BJC	Abahani
1980	Mohammedan	BJC
1981	Abahani	(Not decided)
1982	Mohammedan	Abahani
1983	Abahani	Mohammedan
1984	Abahani	Mohammedan
1985	Abahani	Brothers Union
1986	Mohammedan	Abahani
1987	Mohammedan	Abahani
1988-89	Abahani	Mohammedan
1989-90	Not held	
1990-91	Abahani	Mohammedan
1991-92	Mohammedan	Abahani
1993	Abahani	Muktiyoddha Sangsad
1994	Abahani	Mohammedan
1995	Abahani	Mohammedan
1996	Mohammedan	Abahani
1997-98	Muktiyoddha	Mohammedan
1999	Mohammedan	Abahani

### 'SUPER FOUR' TABLE

Team	M	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Mohammedan SC	18	12	4	2	29	11	40
Abahani	18	11	4	3	27	12	37
Muktiyoddha Sangsad	18	10	4	4	36	17	34
Arambagh KS	17	4	3	11	17	37	15

**Hattricks:** Zakir (Abahani) against Rahmatganj, Mizan (Brothers Union) against Youngmen's Club Fakirpool, Reaz (Brothers Union) against Youngmen's Club Fakirpool, Nakib (Muktiyoddha Sangsad) against Arambagh KS, Jalal Sr (Youngmen's Club Fakirpool) against Mirpur Chalanika and Bakhtiar (Muktiyoddha Sangsad) against Arambagh KS.

**Leading goalscorers:** 12 goals — Nakib (Muktiyoddha Sangsad), 10 goals — Allaz (Mohammedan SC), Khokon (Badda Jagarani) and Mizan (Brothers Union), 8 goals — Sabir Pasha (Abahani), 7 goals — Effiani (Muktiyoddha Sangsad) and Ritu (Arambagh KS), 6 goals — Milan (Rahmatganj) and Zakir (Abahani), 5 goals — Asif (Arambagh) and Sohag (Youngmen's Club Fakirpool).

## Cricket in a state of shock

UNDATED, Nov 5 (AFP/Reuters): As news of Malcolm Marshall's death spread across the world, the international tributes started to pour in today.  
"He was as good as they come," said former England batsman David Gower talking on BBC radio.  
"Basically, he held sway from the early 80s. Throughout the decade he was the main man. He had a great ability not just to bowl quick but, what makes it worse for the batsman, the ability to do a lot with the ball."  
"He could swing the ball, move the ball. An intelligent bowler sums it up nicely. He was hugely talented, naturally talented, whippy, wiry, strong," said Gower.  
"He enjoyed bowling very quickly (but) he didn't always bowl flat out when conditions didn't merit it. Even at say Old Trafford on a slow wicket he could get wickets when the ball wasn't doing much off the pitch."  
"He built up a formidable understanding of how to bowl quick and when."  
Australian captain Steve Waugh said he was "totally shocked" by the news.  
Waugh, whose early Test career corresponded with matches against the fearsome Marshall, paid tribute to the Caribbean speedster.  
"I'm totally shocked," he said after Friday's opening day of the first Test against Pakistan here.  
"I walked in for lunch and saw there was a special on the television about Malcolm Marshall and I was amazed to find out that he was dead."  
"It's a tragedy for cricket, especially for the Caribbean." — See page 14



Players of both Green and Gold teams of Notre Dame College and officials pose for photographs just before the start of the Aptech Cup friendly cricket match at the college ground yesterday. — Star photo

## National cricket league stumbles before start

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Cricket Board yesterday deferred the inaugural national league for four days due to the lack in preparation of pitches at different divisional venues.

The league involving six divisions — Dhaka, Barisal, Khulna, Sylhet, Rajshahi and Chittagong — was originally scheduled for a November 12 start but, following last night's meeting, where some divisions pleaded for more time to ready the pitches, the tournament committee decided to start the national league from November 16.

The league will be of three-day matches with each division facing the other twice on home and away basis.

The meeting also decided to start the league initially at three venues. The venues are Dhaka, Rajshahi and Chittagong.

## Cricketers unite to deliver salvo

Sports Reporter

Cricketer's Welfare Association of Bangladesh named a 15-member executive committee yesterday in a press release with former national captains Minhazul Abedin and Faruque Ahmed as its President and General Secretary.

The association, through the same press release, demanded that the inter-club cricketers' transfer be held immediately, saying that the cricketers would not take part in any domestic cricket activities unless the transfer was held.

Their demand appeared to be a veiled threat to the national league beginning November 16.

The following are the office bearers of the association:

**President** — Minhazul Abedin, **Vice-presidents** — Athar Ali Khan, Akram Khan, Aminul Islam, Saidul Islam Effee and Ahmed Faizur Rahman, **General Secretary** — Faruque Ahmed, **Joint-secretaries** — Khaled Mahmud and Mahbubur Rahman, **Treasurer** — Enamul Hoque, **Organising Secretary** — Naimur Rahman, **Assistant Organising Secretaries** — Khaled Masood, Asif Iqbal, Jewel and Harunur Rashid.

### Aptech Cup cricket

## Notre Dame Gold pulverise Green

Sports Reporter

Notre Dame College Gold defeated Notre Dame College Green by four wickets in the Aptech Cup friendly cricket match played at the college ground yesterday.

The match was organised in connection with the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Notre Dame College.

Chasing a moderate Green total of 166 in 35 overs, NDC Gold, aided by a brilliant 57 from former national wicket-keeper Nasir Ahmed, reached 167 in only 18.5 overs with four wickets in hand.

Nasir took only 25 balls for his 57, which included six over boundaries and five fours.

Among others, former national cricketer Salim Shahed scored a run-a-ball 28 while Ishraq Chippa in with 21 for the winners.

Earlier, electing to bat first in the morning, Green were all out for 166 in 32.5 overs with Ziaur Rashid hammering high-151.

Gold's Salim Shahed, the wrecker-in-chief, finished with 3 for 20 from his 5.5 overs while Pappu and Reaz took two wickets each.

### Khulna soccer

KHULNA, Nov 5: Two matches were played on Thursday in the Senior Division football league at the local stadium, reports BSS.

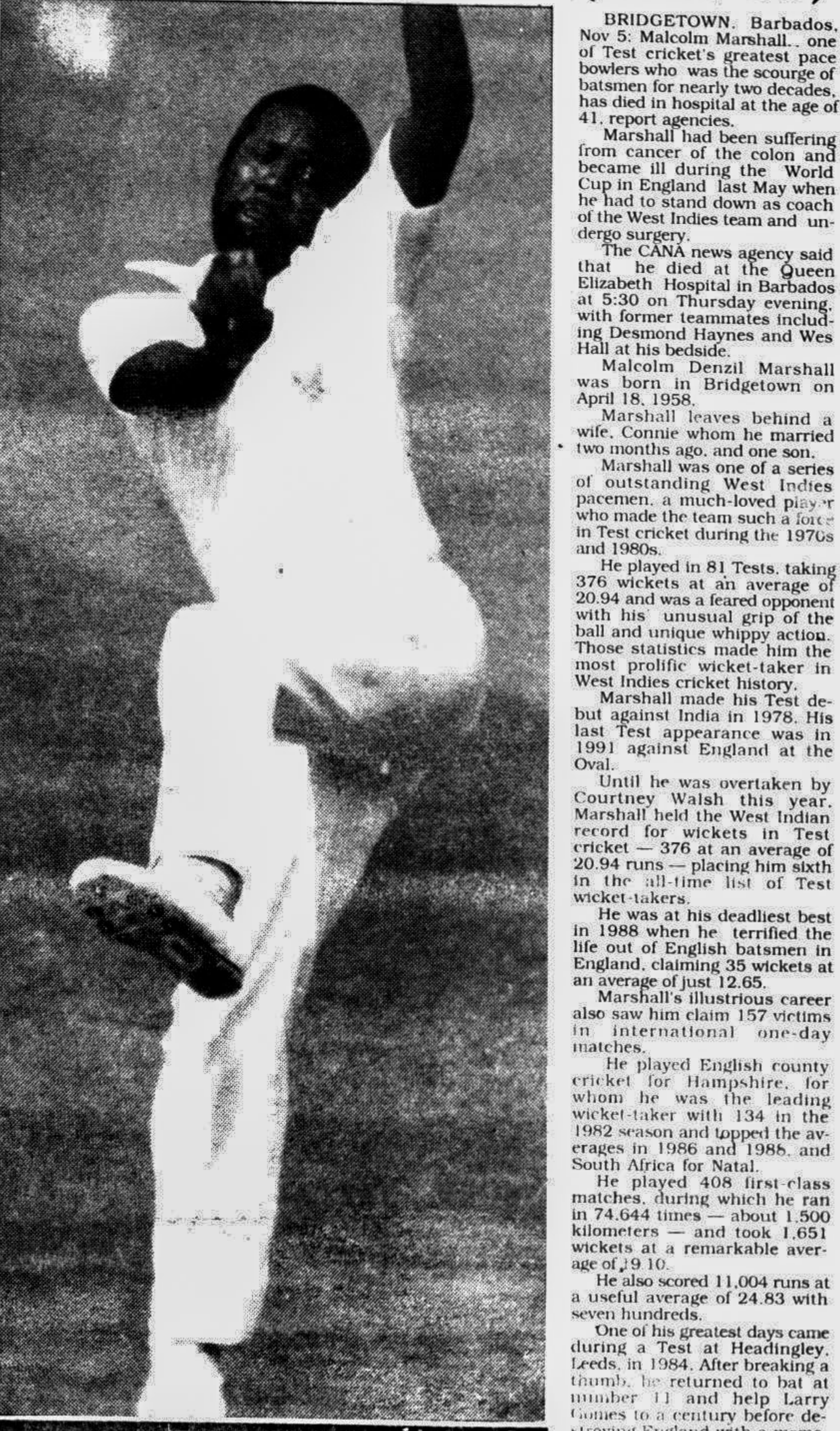
In the first match Brothers Union defeated Khulna Shipyard Club 4-2. Half-time scores were 3-0.

In the second match of the day Ulka Club defeated Cosmos Club 2-0.

After a blank first half Ulka scored in the 54th and 65th minutes.

Friday's game: Mohammedan v Platinum Club.

## Malcolm Marshall (1958-99)



### FACTFILE

**Malcolm Denzil Marshall**  
**Born:** 18 April 1958, Pine, Bridgetown, Barbados.  
**Died:** 04 November 1999, Bridgetown, Barbados.  
**Major Teams:** West Indies, Hampshire, Barbados, Natal.  
**Known As:** Malcolm Marshall.  
**Batting Style:** Right-Hand Bat.  
**Bowling Style:** Right-Arm Fast.  
**Test Debut:** West Indies v India at Bangalore, 2nd Test, 1978/79.  
**Last Test:** West Indies v England at The Oval, 5th Test, 1991.  
**ODI Debut:** West Indies v England at Leeds, Prudential Trophy, 1980.  
**Last ODI:** West Indies v New Zealand at Auckland, World Cup 1991/92.  
**First-Class Debut:** Barbados v Jamaica at Bridgetown, 1977/78.  
**Natal debut:** 1992/93.  
**Barbados 1977/78-1990/91**  
**Hampshire 1979-1993**  
**Education:** Parkinsons CS

### STATISTICAL RECORD

Tests (career)	M	I	No	Runs	HS	Ave	100	50	Q	St
Batting	81	107	11	1810	92	18.85	10	25		
Bowling	O	M	R	W	Ave	Best	5	10	SR	Econ
	2930.4	613	7876	376	20.94	7-22	22	4	46.7	2.68

### ONE DAY INTERNATIONALS (career)

# Ode to Malcolm

Lenin Gani

The news that legendary West Indian fast bowler

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## Ode to Malcolm

Lenin Gani

The news that legendary West Indian fast bowler Malcolm Denzil Marshall has lost his more than six-month battle against cancer is a tragedy and so our prayers are with his family at this distressing time.  
Hard to couch imagine that the 5-foot 10-inch (tiny when compared to the likes of 'Big Bird' Joel Garner, Andy Roberts and Michael Holding) speedster from Barbados would eventually end up an all-time great with 376 wickets from 81 Tests. Only Courtney Walsh has been able to break the long-standing record for the West Indies.  
Marshall's opportunity to enter the team was because 'rebels' Colin Croft and Sylvester Clark felt the temptation to earn easy money playing in the apartheid South Africa far more rewarding than representing one's country. Ironically he would play and later coach in that country in later years.  
Playing along side a quartet of extremely hostile quickies, Marshall relied on athleticism rather than strength. His ability to generate sheer pace was due to a short run-up; a genuine sprint like action that ended in a whipping, windmill action kind of delivery action that made him disconcertingly nippy in the air and off the wicket.  
He had only started to share his knowledge with West Indians of today before being diagnosed having colon cancer. Now somebody else will have to take up the challenge.  
Goodbye Malcolm. May your soul rest in peace.

### Rally round the Windies'

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados, Nov 5: Brian Lara has made a plea to Caribbean cricket supporters for patience as the West Indies try to rebuild their team, reports Reuters.  
Lara, who took over as West Indies captain early last year, has been targeted by some critics as being largely responsible for his side's recently losing eight of their last 12 one-day internationals.  
In an interview in Thursday's Barbados Advocate newspaper, quoted by the Caribbean News Agency (CANA), Lara said: "I would beg the people to understand it's a young team and the more you criticise, it's going to be tough for them mentally to come out of it."  
"We have a bunch of guys who are not only inexperienced at Test level but also first-class level."  
"These are the young players for the future and even though they have no foundation to go on, we are going to thrust them into the international scene and we think that they are going to benefit."  
"You've just got to be patient with them. If you are a real cricket fan or if you are intelligent about the game, you would realise the group of fellows who are playing now are replacing great players."  
Lara, whose West Indies are preparing for a tour of New Zealand next month, acknowledged that as his side's top batsman he needs to return to scoring more consistently.

### Brian Lara

"I want to go out there and maintain an average of over 50. I don't want to see that slip to under 50."  
West Indies' tour of New Zealand starts on December 5 and includes two Tests and five one-day internationals.