

## Column One

### SPORTS TALK



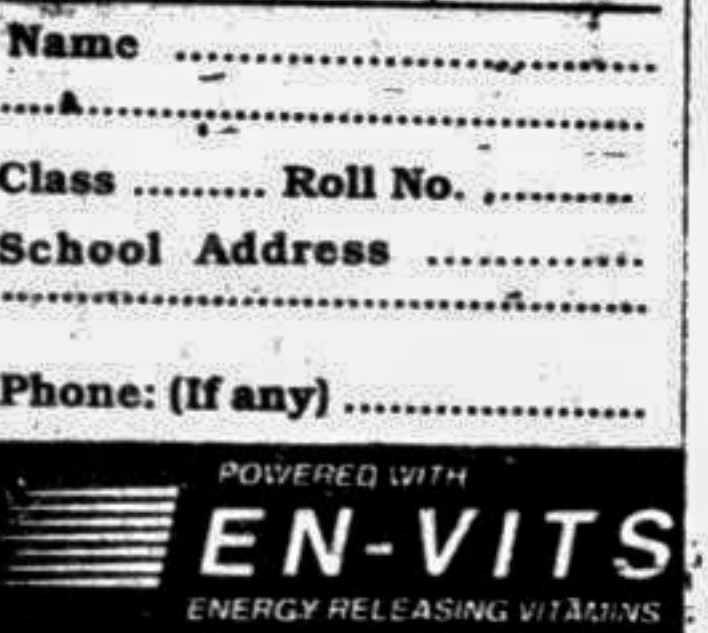
**Damien Fleming**  
(Australian fast bowler)  
"I think he's going to take us to a new level with the technical side and statistics. It's a level we probably haven't looked at too hard."  
On new Australian coach John Buchanan.

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- Argentine soccer star Batistuta plays for Serie A club  
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- Which country will host the 12th Asian Cup football finals?  
Lebanon Kuwait Thailand
- How many Test double hundreds has Sri Lankan batsman Marvan Atapattu scored so far?  
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- Where will the ninth SAF Games be held?  
Delhi Karachi Peshawar
- How many teams are playing in the National Cricket League?  
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## Min Patel to lead MCC in Dhaka

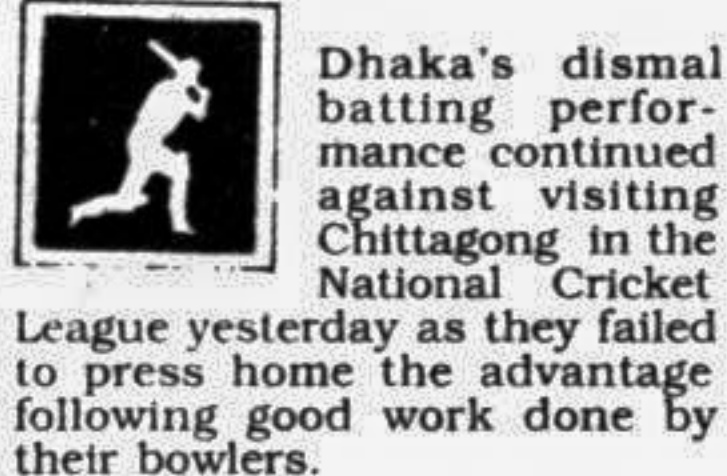
**Sports Reporter**  
Former Test player Min Patel will lead a 14-member Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) during their three-week visit to Bangladesh next January. This was disclosed by Tony Dodemaide, the head of cricket of the MCC, yesterday. Talking to The Daily Star, the former Australian fast bowler who came in the city on Friday to finalise the tour, said that the most famous club from England will arrive on January 10 and will return home on January 30. Tony, who played ten Test matches for Australia, also revealed that the English side would play five to six matches, including a three and a four-day match. The other details of the tour would be finalised within next couple of days, according to Tony.

## Asia Cup South Korea's

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 28: Defending champions South Korea showed a rubber ball-like capacity to bounce back from adversity to beat Pakistan 5-4 in the Asia Cup final at the National Hockey Stadium here today, reports AFP. Korea trailed twice, the second time by two goals, yet came back in a stirring show of resilience to secure victory with five minutes to play. Victory saw Korea book their ticket to the 2002 World Cup that will be hosted by Malaysia. Final standings in the 5th Asian Cup:  
1. South Korea  
2. Pakistan  
3. India  
4. Malaysia  
5. Japan  
6. Bangladesh  
7. China  
8. Hong Kong  
9. Sri Lanka

# Dhaka sink further

Sports Reporter



Dhaka's dismal batting performance continued against visiting Chittagong in the National Cricket League yesterday as they failed to press home the advantage following good work done by their bowlers.

On the penultimate day of the three-day match at the Mymensingh Stadium which has seen ball dominating bat, Dhaka, who scored only 155 in their first innings then restricted Chittagong to 174, had reached 127 for seven at close of play, a lead of 108 runs.

Chittagong off-spinner Sabir Khan, who took three wickets in the first innings for 18 runs, once again outfoxed the Dhaka batsmen to finish with four for 33.

Sabbir, the national team twacker turned his arm for five overs to send the hosts Dhaka crashing from 77 for 2 to 93 for 6 in the first hour of the post-lunch session.

He began by bowling one-down Javed Omar for 15 and then accounted for opener Harunur Rashid (45), skipper Aminul Islam (10) and Al-Shahriar (7) in quick succession.

Rashid, out for one run in the first innings, steadied the rocky Dhaka boat with a spirited 45. Lower middle order Khaled Mahmud, the last

wicket to fall added 21. For Dhaka it is only a matter of survival today. They will be hoping against hope their last recognised pair of Sanwar (15 not out) and Atiar, yet to open his account, can occupy the crease for as long as possible.

The visitors will be aiming for an early lunch. Earlier, Chittagong, took their overnight first innings score of 72 for three to 174 all out.

Chittagong, who looked confident of scoring more runs but for some inspired bowling from Dhaka's off-spinner Fahim Muntasir.

Fahim took five wickets for 26 runs from 14.1 overs. Occasional bowler Mehrab Hossain helped himself to two for 11 in five nagging overs.

## SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the second day of the three-day National Cricket League match between Dhaka and Chittagong at the Mymensingh Stadium on Sunday:

**DHAKA:** First innings 155 all out in 58.4 overs (Naimur 45, Aminul 26, Sanwar 20, Shahfuddin 4/53, Sabbir 3/18).

**CHITTAGONG:** First innings (overnight 72 for 3 in 30.5 overs)

Azam lbw b Zakir 8  
Ehsanul c Atiar b Fahim 34  
Jahangir c&b Fahim 22  
Ishtiaque b Fahim 4

Akram Khan c&b Fahim 0  
Minhazul lbw b Mehrab 45  
Enamul c Sanwar b Naimur 18  
Sabbir c Aminul b Mehrab 0  
Anisur c Fahim b K Mahmud 22  
Suja c Sanwar b Fahim 0  
Zakir not out 0  
Extras: (b-9, lb-2, nb-4) 15  
Total: (All out in 73.1 overs) 174

Fall of wickets: 1/17; 2/67; 3/72; 4/72; 5/85; 6/138; 7/143; 8/150; 9/174.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Zakir	11	4	24	1
K Mahmud	13	3	36	1
Naimur	15	5	35	1
Sanwar	4	2	19	0
Fahim	14.1	5	26	5
Al-Shahriar	4	0	12	0
Mehrab	5	0	11	2

**DHAKA:** Second innings  
Mehrab b Anis 6  
Harun b Sabbir 45  
Javed Omar b Enamul 15  
Aminul c Ishtiaque b Sabbir 10

Al-Shahriar b Sabbir 7  
Naimur c&b Sabbir 0  
Sanwar batting 15  
K Mahmud c Minhazul b Anis 21  
Atiar batting 00  
Extras: (b-1, lb-6, nb-1) 8  
Total: (For 7 wks in 46 overs) 127

To bat: Fahim Muntasir and Zakir.

Fall of wickets: 1/6; 2/47; 3/77; 4/86; 5/86; 6/93; 7/120.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Anis	6	1	22	1
Shahfuddin	4	0	14	0
Enamul	15	4	37	1
Suja	9	3	22	0
Sabbir	11	3	33	4
Minhazul	1	1	0	0



Action from yesterday's Sheetal women's handball league action between KNK School and Arambagh Krira Sangha played at the Sultana Kamal Women's Sports Complex. — Star photo

# Lankans nicely placed

HARARE, Nov 28: Sri Lanka's batsmen secured a substantial lead over Zimbabwe on the second day of the second cricket Test here Saturday to put themselves into a winning position, reports AFP.

At the close the Sri Lankans were 236 for three in reply to Zimbabwe's modest first innings 174, giving the tourists a lead of 62 with seven wickets in hand.

This is more than enough to put them firmly in control of events and they will be looking to really hammer home their advantage Sunday.

Resuming on 163 for nine, Zimbabwe managed to scrape together another 11 runs from their last pair, Henry Olonga and Everton Matambanado. They never recovered from the second over hat-trick by Nuwan Zoysa on the first morning which felled Trevor Gripper.

Murray Goodwin and Neil Johnson.

The home team gave themselves a rare lift when Sanath Jayasuriya was caught by Andy Flower off Henry Olonga for six when Sri Lanka began their reply. It was doubly rewarding for Zimbabwe because Jayasuriya was dropped at third slip by Trevor Gripper when he had made only one, so the miss cost Zimbabwe only five runs.

But from then on it was all uphill for Andy Flower's team and they were made to toil away almost all day in temperatures exceeding 30 degrees.

Marvan Atapattu's wicket must have seemed a godsend to them. He was run out by Neil Johnson going for a third run in partnership with Russel Arnold. His 37 bore no comparison to his 216 not out in Bulawayo last week but it preceded a sequence of good batting performances by three teammates.

Zimbabwe took the new ball with two overs remaining but to no avail.

## LATEST

HARARE, Nov 28: Sri Lanka were dismissed for 432 in reply to Zimbabwe's first innings of 174 on the third day of the second Test today, reports Reuters.

## SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the close on the second day of the second Test between Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe at Harare Sports Club on Saturday:

**ZIMBABWE:** First innings (Overnight 163 for 9)  
G Flower b Muralitharan 19  
Gripper lbw b Zoysa 0  
Goodwin c Kaluwitharana b Zoysa 0  
Johnson lbw b Zoysa 0  
A Flower lbw b Vaas 74  
Campbell lbw b Wickramasinghe 36  
Whittall b Muralitharan 1  
Brent c Kaluwitharana b Vaas 3  
B Strang c Dilshan b Vaas 4  
Olonga not out 10  
Matambanado c Jayawardene b Muralitharan 6  
Extras: (b-2, lb-8, nb-11) 21

Fall of wickets: 1-7; 2-97; 3-105.

To bat: Ramesh Kaluwitharana, Indika de Saram, Chaminda Vaas, Nuwan Zoysa, Pramodya Wickramasinghe, Muttiah Muralitharan.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Olonga	15	2	52	1
Brent	16	3	46	0
Matambanado	13	2	40	0
Strang	22	9	39	1
Gripper	1	0	6	0
Whittall	11	2	33	0
G Flower	4	1	14	0

## Acme nat'l

## youth hockey

Rangpur reached the group semifinals of the Acme 18th national youth hockey championship beating Gazipur 1-0 at the Moulana Bhasani National Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

Rezwanul Kabir scored the match-winning for Rangpur in the 27th minute.

Rangpur will take on Dhaka Education Board in a Group-B semifinal today at 3 pm at the same venue.

Two other teams — Dinajpur and Barisal — moved into the next round of the meet after defeating their rivals yesterday. Dinajpur beat Chittagong 5-4 in the tie-breaker as the Group A match between them ended in one-all draw in the stipulated 70 minutes.

Motaleb put Dinajpur ahead in the 32nd minute while Ashique Khan of Chittagong levelled the margin in the 48th minute.

In the tie-breaker, Shaheen, Ripon, Masud, Rana and Towfique scored for Dinajpur while Ashique, Enamul and Yasin netted for Chittagong.

In the other match, Barisal got a walkover against Jessore. Barisal will meet Dinajpur today at 1.30 pm.

Total: (All out) 174  
Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-0; 3-0; 4-53; 5-133; 6-134; 7-152; 8-153; 9-161; 10-174.

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Vaas	27	8	50	3
Zoysa	13	4	22	3
Wickramasinghe	18	7	31	1
Muralitharan	29.5	11	44	3
Jayasuriya	3	1	7	0
Arnold	5	2	10	0

**SRI LANKA:** First innings: Atapattu run out (Johnson) 37  
Jayasuriya c A Flower b Olonga 6  
Arnold c Campbell b Strang 49  
Jayawardene not out 71  
Dilshan not out 57  
Extras: (lb-6; w-3; nb-7) 16  
Total: (For 3 wks) 236

Fall of wickets: 1-7; 2-97; 3-105.

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# Khulna in control

Sports Reporter

Khulna took a commanding 112-run first innings lead over Rajshahi in their National Cricket League match at the Rajshahi Stadium yesterday.

On the second day, Khulna, who began the day on 129 for six in reply to Rajshahi's first innings of 57, managed a further 40 runs in almost 36 overs before they were all out.

Middle order Asadullah Khan, who was batting on 13, added more seven to become the second highest scorer for Khulna after opener Selim who was out for 57 on the first day.

Rajshahi's Hira was the most successful bowler of the day taking five wickets for 49 runs while his teammate Sumon and Tariqul shared four wickets.

Rajshahi were on 126 for four at stumps in their second innings, to lead Khulna by only 14 runs with six wickets remaining.

**Brief Scores**

**Rajshahi:** First Innings 57 all out in 37.2 overs (Tariqul 24, Monjurul 3/16, Khairuzaman 2/8, Jamaluddin 2/11)

**Khulna:** First Innings 169 all out in 97.5 overs (Selim 57, Asadullah Khan 20, Jamaluddin 16, Hasanuzzaman 13, Hira 5/49, Tariqul 2/18, Sumon 2/39)

**Rajshahi:** Second Innings 126 for 4 in 61.3 overs (Rashed 40, Minu 35, Tomal 35 n.o., Tanvir 2/28)

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# Tourists trounced again



PERTH, Nov 28 (AFP/AP): Australia completed a comprehensive 3-0 cricket whitewash of Pakistan here today — and immediately started laying plans to dish out similar treatment to India in another three-Test series starting in 12 days.

It has been a real achievement to beat Pakistan so conclusively, because they are a very good Test side," Australian captain Steve Waugh said after his men had won at the WACA ground by an innings and 20 runs.

The win inside three days gave Australia their second 3-0 clean sweep in 17 series over Pakistan. Ian Chappell's side

beat Pakistan by the same margin in the 1972-73 series. That success — which came just before tea on the third day of a game scheduled for five days — followed a 10-wicket victory in Brisbane and a four-wicket success in Hobart six days earlier.

Resuming with 40-2 in their second innings, Pakistan — out for 155 in the first knock — showed spasmodic fight, but were all out for 276.

Stylish number three batsman Ijaz Ahmed crafted a lovely 115 from a mere 160 balls as he stroked 16 majestic boundaries, and skipper Wasim Akram blasted 52 (nine fours) from 40 balls in an explosive assault when his side's cause was lost.

Ijaz flayed the Australian pace attack. Damien Fleming in particular, before and after the long handle and joined evergreen Javed Miandad with the most number of centuries for Pakistan against Australia — six each.

He finally holed out to Michael Slater at square leg, top edging a hook of Michael Kasprovic.

The frustrated the Australians for 10 minutes under four hours as he combined with Azhar Mahmood, Moin Khan and Akram to give the innings some respectability after the first four wickets had fallen for five runs.

Pakistan's batting was unhinged by speedster Glenn McGrath, who captured 4-49 to complete a match-winning 7-93 haul.

McGrath began the day removing Inzamam-ul-Haq and Younis Youhana in the space of three overs still needing 257 runs to avoid an innings defeat.

Nightwatchman Saqlain Murtaza was unable to bat after being admitted to hospital with what was described as "an allergic reaction to food" shortly before play resumed. He was not out on four and replaced by Inzamam.

Later he returned and made 12.

Well though McGrath bowled, the man-of-the-match award was snatched by Australia's Ricky Ponting, who hammered a memorable 197 for the home country.

Little left-hander Justin Langer, who hit 144 in this game after his 127 in Hobart, won the man-of-the-series award.

**SCOREBOARD**  
Scoreboard at end of third cricket Test between Australia and Pakistan at WACA on Sunday:

**PAKISTAN:** First innings 155 (Azhar Mahmood 39, Moin Khan 28; Kasprovic 4-53, McGrath 3-44, Fleming 3-48).

**AUSTRALIA:** First innings 451 (Langer 144, Ponting 197, Gilchrist 28; M Akram 5/138, Saqlain 2/75)

**PAKISTAN:** Second innings (40-2 overnight)  
Anwar c Gilchrist b Fleming 6  
Wasim c Fleming b McGrath 7  
Ijaz Ahmed c Slater 115  
Saqlain lbw Kasprovic 12  
Inzamam c M Waugh 8  
b McGrath 8  
Youhana c S Waugh 0  
b McGrath 0  
Mahmood b Warne 17  
Moin c Gilchrist b McGrath 26  
W Akram c McGrath 32  
b Kasprovic 8  
S Akhtar c Warne b Fleming 8  
M Akram not out 10  
Extras: (lb-6, nb-9) 15  
Total: (All out in 69.4 overs) 276

Fall of wickets: 1-15; 2-25; 3-53; 4-56; 5-114; 6-168; 7-230; 8-256; 9-261; 10-276

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
McGrath	21	5	49	4
Fleming	19.4	3	86	2
Kasprovic	16	3	79	3
Warne	13	1	56	1

**Result:** Australia won by an innings and 20 runs.

**Man-of-the-match:**