But serious championship

contenders have to pick up

points when they are playing

below par and David O'Leary's

young team proved they have

in semis

Dhaka moved into the group final of the Acme 18th national youth hockey championship as they crushed Rangpur 8-0 at the Moulana Bhasani National Stadium yesterday, reports

Dhaka will play in the Group B final on Wednesday against the winners of Dhaka Education Board and Rajshahi who meet today.

In the semifinal Raihan scored three goals, skipper Rony and Nanna two each while Shohag made the other goal for last years runners up. Dhaka led the first half 5-0.

Dinajpur reached Group A semis crushing Barisal 6-0. They meet holders BKSP today at 1:30 pm.

Towhid scored three goals, Ripon netted two while Motaleh grabbed the remaining goal for Dinajpur who led the first half

Wins for Young Cricketers, Boys

Sports Reporter

Young Cricketers and Bangladesh Boys won their respective matches in the 19th Damal Smriti cricket tournament at differed city venues yesterday.

BRIEF SCORES Young Cricketers vs Kalindi

(Venue: Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium)

Young Cricketers: 249 for 7 in 50 overs (Adil 61, Moniruzzaman 55. Arman 62 not out; Chanchal 2/39) Kalindi KC: 91 all out in 32.5 overs (Mintu, 14; Shahidul 3/18. Ripon 2/16, Helal 2/22) Result: Young Cricketers won by 158 runs. Bangladesh Boys vs Dhaka

Mariners Young (Venue: Bangabandhu National Stadium) Dhaka Mariners: 130 all out in 48 overs (Munna 39,

Jahangir 32; Monoz 5/31 Sohagh 2/23) Bangladesh Boys: 131 for 3 in 28.2 overs (Tinku 39. Ruben 25, Pia not out 24;

Arman 2/22) Result: Bangladesh Boys won by seven wickets.

At the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium, Young Cricketers recorded a massive 158-run victory over Kalindi Krira Chakra. Batting first after winning

the toss, Young Cricketers piled up a huge 249 for seven in the stipulated 50 overs with the help of three enterprising halfcenturies from their top order batsman. Opener Moniruzzaman

hammered 55 off 79 ball, skipper Adil scored a quickfire 61 off 64 deliveries while Ali Arman remained unbeaten on a 66-ball 62.

In reply, Kalindi were bundled out for meagre 91 in 32.5

In the other match of the day, Bangladesh Boys, aided by a five-wicket haul from Monoz. thrashed Dhaka Mariners by seven wickets.

Army Europa Cup b'ball champs

Bangladesh Army clinched the title of the Europa Cub 22nd national basketball championship beating Bangladesh Navy 73-66 in the final at the Dhanmondi basketball gymnasium yesterday, reports UNB. Army led the first half 41-

Altaf Mahmud scored highest 27 while Shafiq and MS Islam 12 and 11 points respectively for the winners. Nurul Huda scored 21 and Rashed 20 for the losers.

Alhaj Makbul Hossain, MP. distributed the prizes as chief

Chittagong ride

From page 13 174 all out in 73.1 overs (Minhazul 45, Ehsanul 34, Jahangir 22, Anis 22, Fahim 5/26, Mehrab 2/11) DHAKA: Second innings

(overnight 127 for 7 in 46 overs) Mehrab b Anis Harun b Sabbir Javed Omar b Enamul Aminul c Ishtiaque b Sabbir Al-Shahriar b Sabbir Naimur c&b Sabbir Sanwar c Jahangir b Enamul K Mahmud c Minhazul b Anis Atiar run out Fahim b Enamul Zakir not out Extras: (b-2, lb-6, nb-1) Total: (All out in 54.2, overs)

Fall of wickets: 1-6; 2-47; 3-77; 4-86; 5-86; 6-93; 7-120; 8-144; 9-144. Bowler: Anis Shafiuddin 0 Enamul Suja 31 Sabbir 25 Minhazul

CHITTAGONG: Second innings

Azam lbw b K Mahmud Ehsanul b K Mahmud Jahangir b Sanwar Minhazul Ibw b K Mahmud Akram Khan c Al-Shahriar b Fahim

Ishtiaque c Zakir b Fahim

Extras: (b-7, lb-2, nb-3)

match by two wickets.

Minhazul Abedin.

Man-of-the-match:

Total: (For 8 wkts in 35.5 overs) 134

35; 4-64; 5-65; 6-85; 7-114; 8-

Did not bat: Shafiuddin

Fall of wickets: 1-5; 2-23; 3-

Result: Chittagong won the

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Enamul b Fahim

Sabbir not out

Anis run out

Suja not out

Ahmed.

Bowler:

Sanwar

Fahim

Naimur

K Mahmud

Zakir

Simone was dismissed, apparently for dissent, after what appeared to be a harmless clash with Ciro Ferrara.

Capello's Roma, who earlier recorded their first win in Udine for seven years. With playmaker Francesco Totti far from his best, the visitors only created three chances in 90 minutes.

Delvecchio missed the first in the 44th minute, shooting straight at Luigi Turci with only the 'keeper to beat, but made no mistake with the other two.

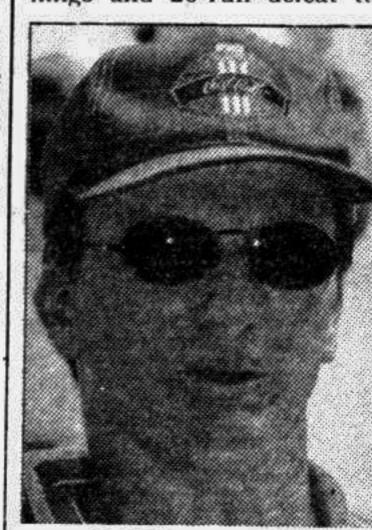
own six-metre box and Delvecchio pounced for the

Fourteen minutes later, a

Dhaka, Dinajpur Through captains eyes

PERTH, Nov 29: Skipper Steve Waugh hailed Sunday Australia's 3-0 clean sweep over Pakistan as a great achievement and said the team would try hard to keep it up in the upcoming series against

India, reports AP. Australia handed out an innings and 20-run defeat to



STEVE WAUGH

Wasim Akram's men inside three days to add to wins in Brisbane and Hobart.

The clean sweep is the first years inflicted on Pakistan by any team since Ian Chappell's side won 3-0 here in 1972-73. It is also only Australia's seven clean sweep

"We played in a different level this series. They are a very good test match side capable of beating any one. It is a major achievement," a jubilant Waugh

LONDON, Nov 29:

England's crick-

eters, skittled to

an innings defeat

in the first Test

against South Af-

rica on Sunday, faced another

barrage from Monday's news-

The Sun gave the beleaguered

team "51 days to save England

from total humiliation," but

warned that "the potential for

pain and suffering before then

(the end of the fifth Test) is vir-

an innings and 21 runs early on

the fourth day of the first Test

captain in seven years, said:

"It's character-building and we

must learn from it ... I'd be very

disappointed if (the team) let

their heads drop after three

days like this. I certainly won't.

I'll make sure they remain posi-

performance of pageman Dar-

ren Gough, who took five wick-

ets during the South African

innings, and debutant Michael

Vaughan, who scored 33 in the

first innings, were all promis-

order as much as we have done

in the past," Hussain said, "and

the spirit within the side is still

that hard work straight after

the conclusion of the Test, with

a net session. Their next game

England got down to some of

"We didn't collapse down the

Hussain pointed out that the

England suffered defeat by

Hussain, England's fourth

papers, reports Reuters.

tually limitless".

tive and upbeat.'

on Sunday.

"It's a bit like the World Cup. You set your standards really high. You don't want to fall below that level again. It is something we'll have to keep up

Australia have been notorious for losing the last tests in series already won. "The dead rubber syndrome is gone," said Waugh.

Australia were home for tea on the third day when swing bowler Damien Fleming had Shoaib Akhtar caught by first slip Shane Warne.

"Today was great way to round it off," Waugh added. "I can't see why we should lose a Test match with the quality players we've got in home conditions.'

Waugh said his team had talked about winning all six matches against the two visiting teams during the summer. "You've got to set your sights high to start with," Waugh said.

Waugh recalled the first day of the series in Brisbane as the major turning point for his team.

"I look back to the day one of the series when they were 3-265 and we could have easily dropped our heads and the Test could have gone their way." Waugh said.

"Instead we fought back and we believed we could win in any situation. We won the crucial moments in the tests." Waugh, one of the few to miss

out with the bat during the series, paid tribute to his batsmen led by man-of-the-series Justin "We've been bit up and down

with our batting in recent series," said Waugh. "This series

is on Wednesday against a Gaut-

will be a mixture of hard work

and relaxation. We will need to

identify certain areas when our

heads are clear tomorrow

concentrating on seeing off

(Allan) Donald and (Shaun)

Pollock early on and tightening

But the Daily Mirror called

the defeat "totally character-

less," saying: "England's record

speaks for itself: They are the

worst team in the world, ac-

cording to cricket bible Wisden.

And this was England's 22nd

defeat in 48 overseas Test over

Many papers echoed skipper

Hussain's complaints about The

Wanderers pitch, which the

head groundsman admitted was

too damp when play began on

Thursday. England lost the toss

and were immediately in trou-

"It was interesting cricket,

the ball going over the 'keeper's

head and then along the ground

and shooting sideways ... it is

for other people on committees

to say whether the pitch was

suitable for Test cricket." Hus-

Graham Gooch struck a famil-

iar refrain in the Daily Star: "It.

is plainly obvious the (county

championship) isn't producing

the right type of cricketers that

are necessary to compete at Test

Former England captain

"We need to look at areas like

morning," Hussain said.

"The next couple of weeks

eng XI in Lenasia.

up in the field."

10 years."

sain said.

was great Test match batting. It has come of age.

"The win in Hobart has lifted us to another level. We believes we can win any top Test match even if we're down.

Pakistan skipper Wasim Akram said the recent problems back home and frequent change of the Pakistan Cricket Board was unsettling for the players.



WASIM AKRAM

"We've got an elected board now and hope we as players can concentrate on playing our cricket," Akram said.

Akram said Pakistan were beaten by a better organised side and his team had depended heavily on the bowling of Akhtar who struggled and took just 4-5-6 in three Tests.

"I think our bowling didn't do justice on this tour." Akram said. "Our young bowlers were trying too hard at times. Our fielding let us down badly too."

Queensland coast

BRISBANE, Nov 29: India started their Australian tour badly when they were beaten by 10 wickets by state side Queensland in their four-day match at the Gabba ground to-

Queensland needed just 81 runs to seal victory when their second innings started on the final day. The state side wasted little effort in reaching 82-0 to complete the win.

Captain Stuart Law led the way with 60 not out and Jimmy Maher was unbeaten on 20 after Queensland on Sunday sent India crashing for 204 in their second innings.

The tourists scored 277 in their opening innings. Queensland replied with 401. Queensland also beat Pakistan inside four days earlier this month. The win over

India appeared a formality af-

ter the tourists lost seven wick-

ets for 37 runs in the second innings on Sunday. The home side wrapped up the win with just one ball remaining before lunch.

Law, who was run out before facing a ball in the first innings, immediately found his range as the Indian pacemen failed to trouble the Queensland openers.

The Indian team head to Sydney for a four-day match against New South Wales starting on Thursday.

The first of their three Tests against Australia is scheduled for Adelaide on December 10. SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the final day of the four-day tour match between Queensland and India at the Gabba ground on Monday: INDIA: First innings 277 (V Laxman 113, S Tendulkar 83) QUEENSLAND: First in-

nings 401 (A Symonds 161. M Love 120, T Kumaran 5-68) INDIA: Second innings 204 (V Laxman 73, M Anderson 4-

QUEENSLAND: Second in-

Malier not out Law not out Extras: (lb-1, nb-1) Total: (For no wicket in

20.5 overs) Did not bat: M Hayden; M Love: A Symonds: G Folley, W Seccombe; A Bichel; A Dale; S Muller; M Anderson.

OM R Bowler Prasad 28 Mohanty 14 Kumaran 6.5 2 29 Kumble 10 Result: Queensland won by 10 wickets.

SA A win

series

wrapped up the three-match

limited overs series against Sri

Lanka 'A' at Newlands on

Spearheaded by Neil

McKenzie (79 not out) and skip-

per Dale Benkenstein [61 not

out), South Africa recorded a

decisive eight-wicket victory

the-match, and his skipper

took the bowling apart as they

hit 141 from the same number

of balls for the undefeated third

94 balls, including two fours

and three sixes, while

Benkenstein needed just 73

balls for his 61, which included

McKenzie posted his 79 from

McKenzie, named man-of-

with 32 deliveries to spare.

Sunday.

Cape Town. Nov 29 (Internet

report): South Africa 'A'

used a front page picture of fan carrying a box with a message that read: "No food. No job. Can

England that all-rounder Jacques Kallis would almost certainly be able to bowl in the second Test in Port Elizabeth starting on December 9.

Business Day, South Africa's leading financial newspapers, had the headline: "England lose badly and the problem is it is

better, promises Cronje."

best sides ever produced by the country after equalling the world record of 10 straight home Test victories. Writer Guy Hawthorne said:

Queen, God save the English."

Afrikaan-language newspaper,

warning: "Not bad, we can do

Serie A

ing signs.

very good."

Honours shared at Rome



ROME. Nov 29: Lazio and Juventus drew 0-0 at the Olympic Stadium on Sunday to

leave three teams level on points at the top of the Italian first division - and AS Roma ahead on goal difference. reports Reuters. AS Roma won 2-0 at Udinese courtesy of a double strike in

the second half from Marco Delvecchio. Lazio ended their match with 10 men after striker Simone Inzaghi was sent off in the 86th minute shortly after coming on as a substitute, and they slip to second while 1998 champions Juventus are third.

All three teams have 22 points from 11 matches. Lazio's clash with Juventus in Rome was an evenly balanced contest that never quite

lived up to its promise. Chilean Marcelo Salas squandered the home side's best chance of the match when he fired a low shot at Juve goalkeeper Michelangelo Rampulla in the 16th minute after a fine through ball from Juan Veron.

Juve's best opportunity fell to midfielder Gianluca Zambrotta soon after the interval but he fired a harmless shot across goal to the dismay of teammate Filippo Inzaghi, lurking on the edge of the sixmetre box.

Inzaghi's younger brother The draw suited Fabio

In the 73rd, defender Andrea Sottil fatally lost control of Vincent Candela's corner in his

long Aldair ball set Delvecchio off on a 30-metre run which finished with a low shot into the far corner.

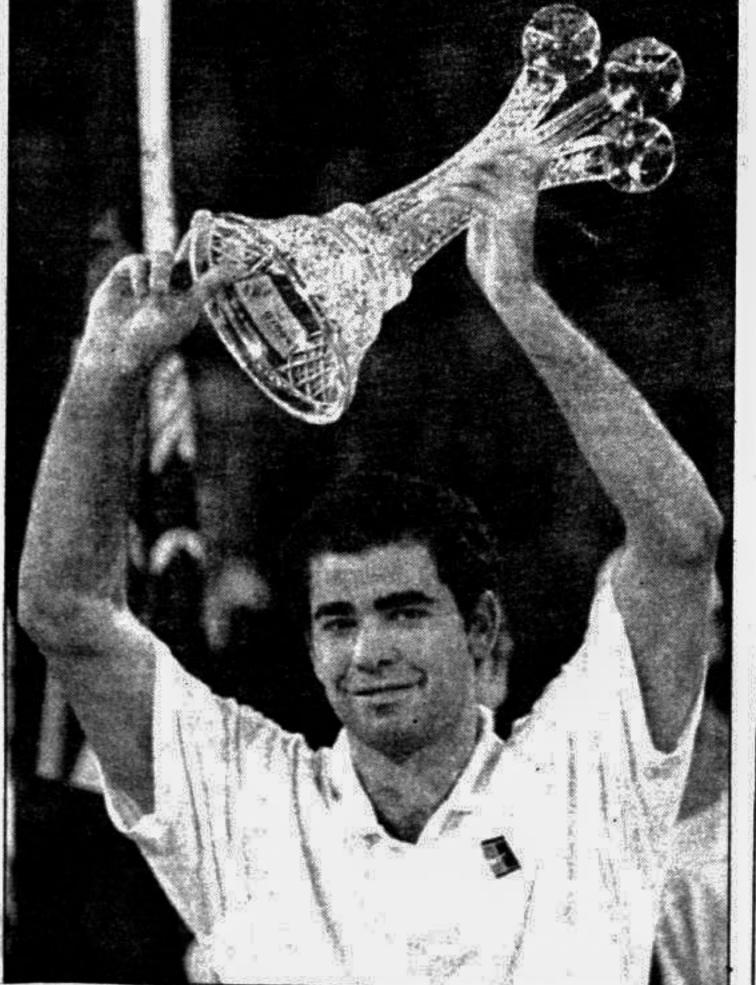
"There are key moments in a match and you have to be ready to take them," Capello said, "but let's not talk about the champi-

onship. It's a long road yet." Sebastiano Rossi saved a last minute Hernan Crespo penalty to ensure AC Milan beat Parma 2-1 at the San Siro and climbed to fifth place, level on points with neighbours Inter, 1-

0 winners at Reggina with an 88th minute goal from Alvaro Recoba.

Milan took eight minutes to shrug off last week's defeat at Juventus, Croat Zvonimir Boban slotting home a free

Parma dominated possession for the rest of the first half but had to wait until the 46th minute to equalise through a fine individual effort from Argentine Crespo.



ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL: A visibly satisfied Pete Sampras holds aloft the ATP World Championship trophy after beating compatriot Andre Agassi in the final in Hanover on November 28. -AFP photo

Mauled by media level ... the standard just isn't high enough."

In Johannesburg South African newspapers heaped praise on their cricketers, predicting England were unlikely to beat them over the remaining matches.

Johannesburg's leading daily, The Star, pronounced that South Africa as one of the

Whether this England side has enough to beat South Africa is doubtful. As one very apt banner put it: 'Never mind the National daily, The Citizen,

bat. Will play for England. God South Africa's largest Beeld, led with the bad news for

going to get worse". Durban's Natal Mercury. quoting South African skipper Hansie Cronje, carried the

only one four. He scored the majority of his runs with brisk running between the wickets. Credit for the victory must also go to openers Mark Bruyns (63 from 74 balls, including seven fours) and Ashwell Prince (19) who posted a platform of 71

runs in 13,5 overs for the first wicket. With a target of 236 for victory after Sri Lanka hit 235/6 in their allotted 50 overs, the opening stand set up the momentum for the victory.

Pete's perfect riposte

HANOVER, Nov 29 (AP): Pete Sampras has no argument with Andre Agassi being No 1 in the world. Sampras just likes beating him.

In a season curtailed by back

problems, Sampras had aban-

doned any hopes of extending

his record six-year run of finishing the season as No 1. But he is healthy again, as Agassi found out to his detriment Sunday, when Sampras won 6-1. 7-5, 6-4 to capture the Tour World Championship, the season-ending tournament that features

world. "The ranking isn't quite as significant. It's nice, but beating Andre, who's had a phenomenal year, is what I am most pleased about," Sampras said.

the top eight players in the

"After the US Open, I kind of accepted the fact that I wasn't going to be No 1. I've done it longer than anyone," said Sampras, who had to miss the US Open. Agassi, enjoying the best year of his career, won the

French Open and the US Open and lost the Wimbledon final to Sampras. He will finish the year at No 1 for the first time. Sampras paid tribute to Agassi. "He had an incredible year and deserves to be No 1," he said. Sampras completed only

eight tournaments this year.

but won five of them. 'That's a

pretty good percentage," he said.

In round-robin play earlier

in the 3.6-million dollar tournament, Agassi beat Sampras 6-2, 6-2. But Sampras, coming off a three-month layoff because of hip and back injuries, was at his best Sunday and showed no sign of rustiness.

"I was humiliated a few days ago and I wanted to prove that I still have it. I was very pumped' up, ready to go," he said.

Premiership

Leeds go top of the table



LONDON, Nov 29: A spectacular injury time winner from Michael Bridges sent Leeds United's young

side to the top of the English Premier League on Sunday after 1-0 home defeat of Southampton, reports Reuters. Bridges struck a ficrce right-

foot shot from the edge for the penalty area to put Leeds two points ahead of champions Manchester United on 35 points from 16 games. Arsenal went third after beating Derby County 2-1 at Highbury. United, the European Cup

winners, are not playing a pre-mier league match this weekend because they face Brazil's Palmeiras for the World Club title on Tuesday in Tokyo. Southampton had seen defender Patrick Colleter sent off in the 88th minute and Leeds

made their one-man advantage pay seconds later with Bridges's 10th goal of the season. Southampton manager Dave Jones launched a fierce attack on referee Rob Harris after the

"I wouldn't warrant him to go and referee a Sunday league game," he said. "The assessor sits up there and if he can give him anything but minus 10 then there is something wrong with the game ... All three offi-

cials did not do their job. "It's hard enough competing against Leeds without competing against the three officials. And that's what my lads had to do today."

Harris has been involved in controversy already this season. Last month Liverpool's Steve Staunton was able to escape punishment after Harris admitted he had made a mistake in sending him off in a premier league class against Aston Villa.

Leeds struggled to dominate the game and were lucky to take the three points after heavy Southampton pressure in the first half saw Jonathan Woodgate clear a shot off the

They could have got a draw, thought they were going to get a draw but we kept going to the very end and we scored a goal," O'Leary said. "Man United do that many times. The great

that ability.

Liverpool did that many times." Arsenal had to come from behind to make sure of third place against Derby thanks to two goals from Frenchman Thierry Henry. The London club are three points behind Leeds.

French international Henry twice got on the end of intelligent passes from Dutch midfielder Marc Overmars to score in the 11th and 50th minutes after Derby had gone ahead in the second minute after a low strike from striker Dean Sturridge.

Promoted Sunderland, who beat struggling Watford 3-2 on Saturday, stood fourth cne point behind Arsenal on 31 points.

In Sunday's other matches Newcastle United earned three important points in a 2-1 home defeat of Tottenham Hotspur which allowed Newcastle to pull four points clear of the bottom four sides. Georgian forward Temuri

Ketsbaia gave Newcastle the lead in the fifth minute when he scrambled the ball home. Tottenham equalised just

before halftime when Frenchman David Ginola weaved his way down the right before providing a perfect cross for striker Chris Armstrong to stab the ball home. But Greek defender Nikos Dabizas headed home the win-

ner in the 58th minute after a corner from Nolberto Solano. Chelsea, who have struggled in domestic football despite their good form in Europe, beat struggling Bradford City 1-0 at

home. Norwegian striker Tore Andre Flo side-footed home a corner from Gianfranco Zolan in the 16th minute to earn the three points. Chelsea are eighth with 24 points.

Primera Liga

Barca strike slump patch

utes, a hard-hit shot from the

edge of the area that gave

-AFP photo



MADRID, Nov 29: Striker Roy Makaay struck two first half goals to give leaders Dep-ortivo Coruna a 3-1 win at Atletico Madrid on

Leed's United's hero of the night Michael Bridges (C) pow-

ering through two Southampton defenders during their

Premiership clash in Southampton on November 28.

Sunday in the Spanish First Division, reports Reuters. They are ahead on goal difference from Celta Vigo, who beat Real Madrid 1-0. Barcelona also lost, 3-2 at Real Mallorca, their fourth straight Primera Liga defeat.

The leaders have 27 points

from 13 games, a five-point lead over Real Zaragoza - who drew 1-1 with Valladolid - and Rayo by Athletic Bilbao.

His first came after 24 min-

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1 Afternoon

Vallecano, beaten 2-1 at home Dutchman Makaay took his tally for the season to eight goals to help Deportivo to a 3-0 halftime lead.

Atletico goalkeeper Francisco Molina no chance. The second Brazilian Djalminha to score. Victor Sanchez got Deportivo's third just before the break to put the game beyond Atletico's reach although Ruben Baraja gave the hosts a consola-

tion goal after 55 minutes. He hit a powerful drive from outside the area which Deportivo keeper Petr Kouba, playing his first game for the club in 29 months, failed to hang on to.

Celta beat Real Madrid at home for the fourth successive season but, in a lacklustre match, both clubs seemed to be suffering a hangover from their midweek European ties.



Real Madrid's Brazilian star Julio Cesar (L) and Benny Mc-Carthy of Celta Vigo are in pursuit of the ball during their Primera Liga encounter in Vigo on November 28.

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-AFP photo

game's only goal - his first in the league for the Galicians came three minutes later when since joining in the summer he picked up a long cross from Barcelona - an outstandmidfielder ing left foot strike from the edge of the box in the 38th minute.

Spanish international mid-

fielder Albert Celedes got the

16 points. Patrick Kluivert headed

header. just before halftime from Jovan

Stankovic before Kluivert got his second on 65 minutes. Tristan, scorer of Mallorca's vital goal at Ajax Amsterdam in the UEFA Cup on Thursday. was hacked down in the box by Frank de Boer and his 80th

Barcelona coach Louis van Gaal criticised his team after their fourth defeat in the last four games, and slipping down the table after holding to place only a few weeks ago.

from time. However it was not enough to them away from the relegation

Magno Mocelin equalised after 41 minutes for the Basque visitors after Toni Velamazan had put Espanyol ahead.

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52 Highball The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for ingredient

Barcelona may be regretting their decision to release him after losing 3-2 at Mallorca. The Catalan giants lie fifth, seven points behind Deportivo and Celta, while troubled Real Madrid slump to 10th with just

Barcelona ahead after just two minutes but Mallorca held their nerve and levelled after 32 minutes from a Diego Tristan The island club went ahead

minute penalty proved to be decisive.

Espanyol's Roger Garcia, another Barcelona cast-off in the summer, produced the most spectacular goal of the week with a vicious long-range swerving shot three minutes

get Expanyol points and ease zone, as Alaves ran out 3-2 winners in the Montjuic Olympics stadium.