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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Competition-125

✓ Tick the Correct Answers Post to The Daily Star Win attractive prizes Competition closes at 8 pm on 21/1/99 and draw shortly afterwards

1 Who was the man-of-the-series in the Australia-Pakistan Tests?

Langer Ponting Inzamam

2 Who was the highest wicket-taker in the Australia-Pakistan Test series?

Akram Fleming McGrath

3 How many Test hundreds has Mark Waugh scored to date?

15 16 17

4 Who became champions in the Keya Premier soccer?

Muktijodha Mohammedan Arambagh

5 Who lifted the Expatriates Open chess title?

Rezaul Zia Tanveer

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POWERED WITH EN-VITS ENERGY RELEASING VITAMINS

SPORTS TALK



Mal Speed (Australian Cricket Board chairman)

"What happened tonight was totally unacceptable."

After the crowd trouble at the MCG during the Australia-India ODI.

Asian Chess

Second win for Zia

Sports Reporter

International Master Ziaur Rahman recorded his second victory in second Asian Individual Chess Championship defeating Indian Kidambi on Friday.

The tournament is being held at Udaipur in India.

With this win, Zia raised his earnings to 3 points on completion of 5th round. Another Bangladesh International Master Reefat-Bin-Saitar drew with Indian Grandmaster Dibeyndu Barua. Reefat had managed 2.5 points so far.

Third seed Xu Jun of China is leading the race with 4.5 points.

In the 8th Asian Women Chess Championship Tanima Parveen drew with Indian Tania Sachdev. Tanima collected 2 points at the moment.

Biman golf held

Sports Reporter

Sang Won Byun and Shaheen Khan became men's and ladies' champions respectively of the prestigious Biman Bangladesh Airlines tournament on Friday.

The day-long event was teed-off by president of the Kurmitola Golf Club and Chief of Army Staff Lt Gen M Mustafizur Rahman BB.

OTHER RESULTS

Senior winner: Flt Lt Rahmat Ali; Junior winner: Nafiz Farid; Best gross: Sadiq Quddus; Ladies best gross: Ok Kyung Jang; 2nd best gross: Shawkat Uz Zaman; Runner-up: Faisal Khan; Ladies runner-up: OS Lee; 2nd runner-up: Maj Gen M Mustafa Kamaluddin; Front nine winner: Cp Capt Ashraful Azhar; Back nine winner: Anwar Kasman; Nearest to pin: Maj Gen (Retd) Muzammel Hossain; Longest drive: Hsiam Ahmed.

Morrison sentenced

FAYETTEVILLE, Arkansas, Jan 15: Former boxer Tommy Morrison pleaded guilty to drug and driving charges Friday and was sentenced to 10 years in prison, with eight suspended, reports AP.

Naimur's fitting reply



A sterling performance from middle-order Naimur Rahman enabled Bangladesh Cricket Board President's Eleven to take a 23-run lead over Marylebone



NAIMUR ... 121

Cricket Club at the Rajshahi Stadium yesterday.

On the second day, the versatile all-rounder scored 121 after the home side, resuming the day at 23 for two, declared their first innings at 245 for eight in 74 overs.

In reply, the tourists limped

Sports Reporter

to 41 for one in 25 overs at stumps.

Earlier, the hosts got off to a terrible start when opener Azam Iqbal was dismissed for 29 in the 24th over with the score reading 52 for three, and still 121 runs shy of avoiding a follow-on.

Fortunes changed when Akram Khan helped Naimur share a magnificent 148-run partnership and more importantly erase the deficit.

The partnership was broken exactly on 200 in the 61st over when Min Patel got rid of the BCB captain for 57.

Akram's half-century came off 125 balls and was studied with a six and five boundaries.

Thereafter, four wickets fell in quick succession for 39 runs before the declaration came.

Naimur was the last batsman to go. In his 167-minute vigil, the right-hander hit a six and 14 fours before he was trapped leg before by Patel.

The MCC skipper and slow left-arm captured four for 62 to emerge as the most successful bowler for the tourists.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second

day of the three-day match between MCC and BCB President's Eleven at the Rajshahi Stadium yesterday.

MCC: First innings 222 for seven in 78 overs declared (A McGrath 119 n.o., T Dodemaide 27, Shafiqul Islam 4/46)

BCB President's Eleven: 23 for 2 in 10 overs

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Al-Shahrar c Hyam b Killeen 5

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PATEL ... 4/62

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ICC fact finders due Monday

Sports Reporter

A three-member ICC inspection team, formed to assess Bangladesh's plea for Test status, will arrive tomorrow on a six-day fact-finding mission.

They are former Test players Nasimul Ghani of Pakistan, Graham Dowling of New Zealand and Andy Pycroft of Zimbabwe.

The team, which is making its second visit to Dhaka, is scheduled to inspect a few potential venues and also witness the Bangladesh-MCC four-day match at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on January 18.

The team will submit its report to the game's governing body before June. The document is considered crucial as the ICC will review Bangladesh's case at its next annual meeting in June.

Dalmiya arrives tomorrow

Sports Reporter

International Cricket Council president Jagmohan Dalmiya will arrive here tomorrow to assess the feasibility of holding an exhibition limited-overs match between an Asian and Rest of the World

team on April 8.

The Calcutta-based boss of world cricket's ruling body will have a discussion with the government and the Bangladesh Cricket Board officials before giving Dhaka a green signal.

During his day-long visit, Dalmiya is expected to call on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader and Board chief Saber Hossain Chowdhury.

BCB general secretary Syed Ashraful Haq, back in business after two and a half months due to a mild heart attack, revealed it yesterday.

The ICC is organising the game as part of its "World Cricket Week 2000" which will be observed from April 2 to 9, said Ashraful.

Cullinan for Tests only

Sports Reporter

CENTURION, South Africa, Jan 15: Darryl Cullinan announced his retirement from international one-day cricket on Friday, reports Reuters.

Cullinan, 33, in March, said in future he would be available for South Africa for Test matches only. He is currently playing in the fifth and final Test against England.

Cullinan said he was stepping aside to allow younger players to stake their claim ahead of the 2003 World Cup and because of family commitments. He is married with a two-year-old son.

"We have a great chance to win the World Cup in 2003 and there are a lot of talented players in South Africa who are hungry to play for their country and do well," Cullinan said.

"Now is their chance."

"I also have a young family and I need to find ways to be at

home with them more often."

In the next six months South Africa will visit India and Sharjah, return home to play Australia and then travel to Singapore, Sri Lanka and Australia, arguably their most gruelling tour schedule since their return to international cricket in 1991.

Cullinan played 122 one-day internationals, scoring 3,628 runs at an average of 34.55 with three centuries and 23 half centuries.

Bagerhat cricket

Sports Reporter

BAGERHAT, Jan 15: Shaheed Prof Moazzem Hossain Smriti cricket tournament reports UNB.

Surja Shila Krira Chakras will take on K All Jubo Sangha in the opening match.

Lankan blow for BCB

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh's bid to host a tri-nation cricket tournament ahead of the Asia Cup suffered a setback as a top cricket official here ruled out Sri Lanka's chances of participation on Saturday. The Asia Cup starts from May 27.

Due to the prevailing rift in the Sri Lanka Cricket Board, none would be able to take such a major decision, predicted Jayananda Warnaweera. He is the secretary of Southern Province Cricket Board and an influential member of the now defunct elected body of the Lankan Board.

"Take it from me, there is no such possibility of an immediate Bangladesh tour by the Sri Lankan national team."

"I'm aware of a letter from the Bangladesh Cricket Board. But, I'm afraid the present ad hoc committee run by R Vijayaratne has no authority to take such a decision."

"The Board is simply in no position to take any decision at the moment. For any development, you will have to wait until the AGM finishes on February 22," said Jayananda, a former Test cricketer.

Thilanga Sumathipala, the ousted Lankan Board president who lost a legal battle immediately after the World Cup in England, is most likely to contest for the most sought-after

job in Sri Lanka.

TOP TEAMS ON A ROLL

Sports Reporter

Although rain played foul in Sri Lanka today, most of the top-ranked teams advanced

into the Super Eight without any trouble.

Hosts Sri Lanka and Australia were first to qualify for the next round even before playing each other in their last group league match. West Indies, placed in Group A along with holders England, also booked their berth winning against America today.

At the Police ground, West Indies thrashed America by 142 runs. England meanwhile pulled off a thrilling three-run win over Zimbabwe to join the Caribbean in the Super Eight from the Group A.

Pakistan and South Africa seem certain to qualify from a group where Kenya and Nepal are the other two teams.

Surprisingly, Nepal, making their maiden appearance in the Youth Championship, yet to taste a defeat, thanks to the rain that washed out their matches against Pakistan and South Africa.

The only group where things look wide open is Group B. All the four teams—India, Bangladesh, New Zealand and Holland, still have a chance to move into the next round.

Al-Amin from Colombo

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