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Column One

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Aravinda de Silva

(Sri Lanka's master batsman)
"I want to be remembered as a run-scoring and successful batsman and want to go on while I'm fit enough to play and to perform."

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3	Who won the UEFA Cup?	Valencia	Galatasaray	Fiorentina
4	Who lifted national schools cricket title?	St Joseph	M Singh	Cig Khastagir
5	Who is the coach of Bangladesh football team?	Harrison	Van Gaal	Shakir

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BKSP Hockey U-16s lift title

Sports Reporter
Bangladesh under-16 team lifted the BKSP Cup hockey tournament defeating Bangladesh Army 5-3 in the tie-breaker at the Moulana Bhashani National Hockey Stadium yesterday.

The Bangladesh colts, who are scheduled to leave the capital tomorrow to participate in an invitational tournament in Singapore, came from behind to hold Army to a one-all draw during the regulation time.

Rajah gave Army a second minute lead before the juvenile selection, mostly from BKSP, pulled off the equaliser in the 53rd minute.

Ashraf, Ashik, Yamin and Rasel scored the Under-16s in the tie-breaker while Tariq and Rezaul converted for Army.

Four teams took part in the meet.

Meanwhile, the Bangladesh Hockey Federation announced a 16-member Bangladesh team for the Singapore event, to be held from June 16-25.

The members are: Mahbub Ullah, Golam Shahriar, Yamin Hossain, AKM Shamsuddin, Golam Sarwar, Rajibul Hasan, Hedayatul Islam, Abdul Haq Shahidi, Ashik Abedin, Rahul Kanti Ray, Shawkat Ali, Nazrul Islam, Ashraf Islam, Maksud Alam, Rasel Uddin and Hossain Mobarak.

Rajshahi hockey

From Our Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, June 13: Friend Sporting Club hand down a 4-1 defeat on Primary Kirra Training Centre in the Rajshahi First Division Hockey League here at the local stadium today.

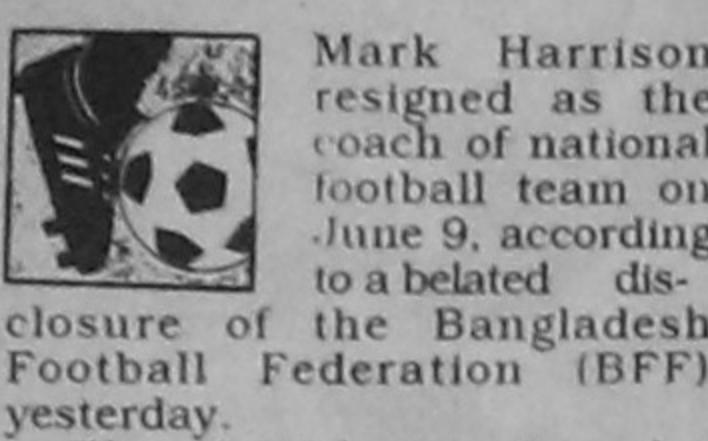
Sentu opened the floodgates for the winners in the second minutes while Rajon Mamun and Ripon completed the Training Centre rout with strikes in the 55th, 58th and 63rd minute respectively. Monwar pulled off a consolation goal for the losers ten minutes from the final whistle.

Uppashar Sporting Club shared honours with North Bengal Club after a one-all draw in the other match of the day.

Harrison calls it quits

BFF turns to temperamental Samir

Sports Reporter



Mark Harrison resigned as the coach of national football team on June 9, according to a belated disclosure of the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) yesterday.

The British coach, who joined in April and went on vacation immediately after the dismal performance of his boys in a four-nation tournament in Maldives, fixed his resignation letter from London Friday.

Having kept the news into the frige for three days, the BFF officials decided to break its silence only after a report titled 'Mark where are you?' got published in The Daily Star Sport on Tuesday.

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Although the bespectacled Briton promised a lot since he took over from Samir, he hardly could make it into reality. Mark's one-off stint with the national team produced only a disastrous performance. Bangladesh were eliminated

from the preliminary round in the Maldives meet.

With Bangladesh national team due to tour England next month, the BFF finds it very hard to get a foreign coach immediately.

The possibilities of bringing Samir back were seriously discussed in the technical committee meeting. Finding no other alternatives at the moment, the federation has decided to re-

sign the British coach.

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However, Samir, who had a bitter-sweet relationship with Bangladesh football, does not have the coaching qualification that requires to be an AFC coach. So, if Samir is hired as national coach, the BFF will have to pay his salary.

Forwards: Alfaz Ahmed, Sajidur Rahman Moni, Zulfiqar Mahmud Mintu, Mizanur Rahman Dawn, Mujibur Rahman Ritu and Shahajuddin Tipu.

Defenders: Rajani Kanta Barman, Faisal Ahmed, Kazi Nazrul Islam, Hasan Al-Mamun, Sourav Majumder, Monwar Munna, Anwar Hossain, Kingshuk Chakma, Aminur Rahman, Papel Mahmood, Firoz Mahmud Hossain Tito.

Midfielders: Iqbal Hossain, Monwar Hossain, Matiur Rahman Munna, Asadur Rahman, Tanvir Chowdhury, Rokonuzzaman Kanchan, Molaiuzzaman Selim, Asif Yousuf, Sajedur Rahman Tushar and Mustafa Anwar Parvez.

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