



## Sports WHIZZ KID

### Competition 139

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Competition closes at 8 pm

Dec 1 2000 and draw shortly afterwards

1. Who clinched the world chess crown?

Kasparov | Karpov | Kramnik

2. Who lifted the Purabi Div 1 basketball title?

Dhuneketu | Josephites | Titas

3. Who became Leipzig tennis champ?

Hingis | Davenport | Clusters

4. Which club lifted NBL Div 1 soccer title?

Fakirerpoo | Agrani Bank | Wari

5. Who was declared man-of-the-match in the Bangladesh-India inaugural Test?

Saurav | Aminul | Joshi

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## SPORTS TALK



### Colin Croft

(Former West Indies cricketer)

The entire team has now become a joke. No side that was so great in the past has descended so quickly to such a low level.

After West Indies were bundled out for 82 in the first innings of the first Test against Australia.

### Waqar back in Pakistan fold

LAHORE. Nov 25: Pakistan Friday recalled experienced pacer Waqar Younis to the 15-member squad for the second Test against England starting in Faisalabad on November 29.

Younis, with 308 wickets in 67 Tests, was left out from the initial squad of 14 for the first Test.

Leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed was axed after he failed miserably in the first drawn Test in Lahore, taking one wicket for 164 runs.

Almed disappointed in the first Test and Kaneria is included as we want to groom youngsters in the home series," chief selector Wasim Bari said.

Ahmed, who has taken only 27 wickets in his last 13 Tests, will be replaced by teenage leg-spinner Kaneria who is likely to make his Test debut.

Off-spinner Arshad Khan is also back in the squad.

All rounder Azhar Mahmood, 12th man in the Lahore Test, twisted his ankle during practice on Friday and is out for six weeks.

### SQUAD

Moin Khan (captain), Inzamul Haq (vice-captain), Saeed Anwar, Shahid Afridi, Salim Ali, Younis Youhana, Abdur Razzak, Wasim Akram, Danish Kaneria, Saqlain Mushtaq, Arshad Khan, Imran Nazir, Qaiser Abbas, Waqar Younis and Faisal Iqbal.

### Jason drafted for Perth Test

BRISBANE. Nov 25: Fast bowler Jason Gillespie was included Saturday in an Australian 12-man squad for next week's second Test against the West Indies in Perth, reports AFP.

Gillespie pulled out of the Australian squad with a hamstring strain and missed the innings and 126-run thrashing of the West Indies in the first Brisbane Test which ended Saturday after just two and a half days.

The second Test begins at the WACA Ground on Friday.

**AUSTRALIA:** Michael Slater, Matthew Hayden, Justin Langer, Mark Waugh, Steve Waugh (captain), Ricky Ponting, Adam Gilchrist, Brett Lee, Andy Bichel, Stuart MacGill, Glenn McGrath, Jason Gillespie.



Sylhet wicketkeeper Imon makes an unsuccessful attempt to stump Ashraful of Dhaka Metropolis during their Green Delta National League limited-overs fixture at the Dhamondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

—Star photo

## Ashraful in thick of things

Sports Reporter

### NATL CRICKET LEAGUE

Dhaka Metropolis v Sylhet

Young sensation Mohammad Ashraful was again in thick of things as Dhaka Metropolis completed a happy hunting yesterday against a beleaguered Sylhet in their first phase of the Green Delta National League.

Ashraful, who took five wickets to give Dhaka a crucial first-inning lead and an invaluable four points in the drawn the three-day match, once again played the pivotal role in his side's impressive four-wicket win against the runners-up in the limited-over match at the Dhamondi cricket Stadium yesterday.

The leg-spinner plus an exciting opening batsman took two wickets to help the hosts shot Sylhet out for a paltry 126 and then scored a courageous 22 to win the man-of-the-match award for the second successive time.

The visitors, without their regular captain and national right-arm seamer Hasibul Hosain, struggled on matting wicket and could last for only 38.2 overs with Rafique and Naveem making 20 and 25 runs respectively. Raju, who stood in for Hasibul, scored 10.

The introduction of artificial

wicket only in the limited-overs matches offered batsmen a taste of bouncy pitches.

Although Sylhet bowlers failed to make the most of the condition, Dhaka, who made four changes that played in the three-day match, found an unlikely wicket-taker in young right-arm seamer Ashraful, who took three wickets for 20 runs.

The idea of laying matting wicket saw the light for once when Ashraful executed the lone hook of the match, a superb shot that raced down to fine leg for four.

National middle-order bat Al-Shahriar also scored an impressive 22 and Sopu made an unbeaten 11 as Dhaka reached 129 for six in 41.3 overs.

With this win Dhaka Metropolis collected six points.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Green Delta National Cricket League one-day match between Dhaka Metropolis and Sylhet at the BKSP ground in Savar yesterday:

### SYLHET

Parvez c Shaheen b Matin 7  
 Kabi c Sopu b K Mahmud 5  
 Raju c Shaheen b Ashiq 10  
 Nahid c Sopu b Ashiq 6  
 Alok c Shaheen b Ashiq 4  
 Naveem c & b Ashraful 0  
 Rafique c Al-Shahriar b Mukul 25  
 Imon not out 0

Result: Dhaka Metropolis won by 4 wickets.

Man-of-the-match: Ashraful (Dhaka Metropolis).

Iqbal c Shaheen b K Mahmud 0  
 Taposh lbw b Ashraful 18  
 Imon c Imran b Matin 5  
 Extras (lb-6, nb-6, w-14) 26  
 Total (All out in 38.2 overs) 126

Fall of wickets: 1/15, 2/29, 3/40, 4/46, 5/47, 6/66, 7/86, 8/97, 9/114

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