When I woke up, I felt really

confident." Rusedski said. "I knew

the way to his first title, or cham-

pionship match, since capturing

the Vienna crown in October of

1999. The eighth-seeded left-

handed won 54,000 dollars and his

last season but has bounced back

with a 14-5 record in 2001, in

what I had to do."

10th career title.

Harvey hopeful

REUTERS. Melbourne

Australian all-rounder fan Harve said Monday he hoped to be in cluded in the squad for the five match series in India starting later this month despite having a frac-

tured thumb. "Hopefully things will be right for India," Harvey told a news

conference in Melbourne. "It's getting better each day." said Harvey, who has taken 26 wickets in 27 one-day internation-

als for Australia. The Australian Cricket Board (ACB) is expected to announce the one-day squad later this week.

What to watch

FROM PAGE 13

March 8 ESPN New Zealand vs Pakistan First Test, Day 1 Live at 3:15 am Highlights at 7:30 pm Man United vs Panathinaikos UEFA Champs' League 2:00 pm

Western Union World Football 7:00 pm Valencia vs Sturm Graz UEFA Champs' League 9:00 pm

Star Sports South Australia vs Victoria Sheffield Shield Cricket Day 2 highlights

5:30 am Day 3 highlights 11:00 pm March 9

ESPN New Zealand vs Pakistan First Test, Day 2 Live at 3:27 am Highlights at 7:30 pm Harsha Online 9:30 pm English Premiership 1-hour highlights 12:00 am and 12:30 pm Western Union World Football

1:30 pm Leeds united vs Real Madrid UEFA Champs League 2:30 pm Anderlecht vs Lazio

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Foes gearing up differently

Cricket

REUTERS, Colombo

England captain Nasser Hussain will tell his players to put the umpiring controversies of the first Test against Sri Lanka behind them as they bid to stay in the three-match series this week.

The home team, however, will be only too delighted to play a few mind games before Wednesday's second Test by reminding the tourists. Ith in trustrations during their innings and 28-run defeat in

England, always fighting for survival after losing the toss on a crumbling pitch tailor-made for the Sri Lankan spinners, felt their efforts to salvage a draw were undermined by a series of umpiring decisions.

Constant' appealing by the Sri Lankan close fielders -- which led to four of them being fined helped raise the tension still fur-

Hussain, while clearly frustrated, has tried to look forward rather than back. He said: "We can go on about umpiring for as long as we want but...we have to get on with it."

Off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan, however, has resurrected the issue just before the second Test in Kandy, which is likely to follow a similar pattern on a pitch designed to wear quickly and offer appreciable turn.

"You can't complain at umpires. They make mistakes because they are only human," he said.

"You can't say it was cheating. When an umpire makes a mistake on the sub-continent, it is called cheating, and when an umpire makes a mistake anywhere else in the world, it is down to human error." he told BBC radio.

Muralitharan, playing on his home pitch in Kandy, added: "England used their pads and not their bats. When the play is negative, you are bound to appeal. There was no pressure being put on the umpires. You have to appeal. That's the game."

Sri Lanka's wily former captain Arjuna Ranatunga also enjoyed a dig.

"It has amused me greatly to see British press reaction to the events in Galle," he wrote in the London-based Observer newspaper.

"All a batsman has to do to stop himself failing to umpiring error is to hit the ball with the middle of the bat."

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Sri Lanka look set to change their team despite their comprehensive win in the first Test.

Pace bowler Dilhara Fernando nod. looks certain to be replaced after bowling just two overs in the first

innings and four in the second. Struggling off-spinner Kumar Dharmasena's place could also under threat. He managed just a single wicket in Galle, while Muralitharan took seven and captain Sanath Jayasuriya, an opening batsman who bowls a bit, took

England, meanwhile, look likely to retain seamer Andrew Caddick after his tidy first-Test display as well as off-spinner Robert Croft, despite his lack of pene-

Graeme Hick will again be challenged for the final batting berth by Michael Vaughan al though Hick, given a one-match suspended ban after he questioned his first-innings dismissal in the first test, looks set to get the

Hussain's lack of runs at num

ber three continues to be a worry. But the England captain may spend as much time practising tossing the coin as donning his pads over the next few days.

For England to have any chance of success, they will surely have to bat first in Kandy. POSSIBLE TEAMS

Sri Lanka: Sanath Jayasuriya (captain), Marvan Atapattu, Kumar Sangakkara, Aravinda de Silva, Mahela Jayawardene, Russel Arnold, Tuwan Dilshan, Chaminda Vaas, Nuwan Zoysa, Muttiah Muralitharan, Kumar Dharmasena.

England: Michael Atherton, Marcus Trescothick, Nasser Hussain (captain), Graham Thorpe, Alec Stewart, Graeme Hick, Craig White, Ashley Giles, Robert Croft, Andy Caddick, Darren Gough,



YUMMY: Australian leg-spin wizard Shane Warne looks up at grilled chicken and kebab during a shoot for a commercial in Bombay on Monday. Australia and India meet in the second Test in Calcutta on March 11.

TV umpire to be more busy in Lanka

AP, Colombo

The two umpires on the ground must refer all doubtful appeals to the third, or television umpire, for a final ruling in the second Sri Lanka-England cricket Test, international match referee Hanumant Singh said Monday.

Singh's decision came after English players and commentators strongly questioned some of the umpiring decisions in the first Test, which England lost by an mnings and 28 runs to host Sri Lanka.

"In view of the controversy and the noise raised by England officials and cricket writers, the decision was taken to tell the umpires not to take any chances," a Sri Lankan cricket official said after Singh's meeting with the three umpires before the second Test to be played at Kandy from Wednes-

Singh was of the view that the two umpires ought to take the help of technology and should not leave any room for a controversy, said the official.

Injury-struck

FROM PAGE 13 against England.

He had been tipped to fly out to join the team last week along with Younis Khan, Humayun Farhat and Arshad Khan, but was held back after the media blasted the selectors for relying on fading players.

Akbar has played two Tests taking four wickets, while Iqbal and Umer have yet to make their Test debuts.

Pakistan media have reported continued differences, which first surfaced a week before the team's departure, between senior players and coach Javed Miandad, but Zia said these were not related to the latest injuries.

"The players are genuinely injured. I am sure they are not faking the injuries because they know how important this tour is for them and the country," he said.

Zia and team captain Moin Khan are under pressure and have been criticised for their team's 1-0 defeat in the three-Test series against England last year.

Their problems were combounded when Pakistan lost the five-match one-day international series to New Zealand despite scoring 285 in the last match at Dunedin.

Moin & Co

FROM PAGE 13

Javed Mandad. "But the way the we folded, the players have to be ashamed of themselves." The first test starts at Eden Park

SCOREBOARD

in Auckland on Thursday.

Scoreboard of three-day tour match between Pakistan and New Zealand A here Monday:

NEW ZEALAND A: First innings

PAKISTAN: First innings 100 PAKISTAN: Second innings Farhat c Mills b Walker Elahi b Drum Humayun c Walker b Drum

Youhana c Nevin b Penn Younis Khan b Penn Saglain Mushtaq b Drum Magbul c Vincent b Penn Wagar not out Arshad b Drum Sami c Sulzberger b Penn Anwar absent injured Extras: (lb-9, nb-4)

Total: (all out in 33.3 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-59, 2-75, 3-95, 1-107, 5-113, 6-113, 7-119, 8-119,

9-121 Walker Result: New Zealand A won by an innings and 54 runs.

South African Amanda Coetzer is exultant after winning the ATP tournament in Mexico on Sunday.

A Rusedski revival 10th career title, only his second cluding victories over World No. 1 on US soil. It was his second ca-Gustavo Kuerten of Brazil at the reer victory in five matches against Australian Open and No. 2 Marat Agassi, both of them having come

Safin of Russia last month in Mi-Rusedski reached the 1997 final here but suffered a wrist injury against Pete Sampras and had to

Rusedski lost only one set on Rusedski inflicted the first loss of the year upon the American after 11 wins in a row. Agassi was seeking his fifth San Jose title after crowns in 1990, 1993, 1995 and

The lefthander battled injuries Thirty-year-old Agassi had to withdraw last year due to a back injury but has reached the quarterfinals in eight of his previous nine appearances. His record here

fell to 35-5. Rusedski gained the early break at love in the fourth game for a 3-1 advantage in the opening set and served it out in the ninth game. He

produced 17 winners in the set. "My plan was to stay back and that kind of surprised him," Rusedski said. "I used a lot of top

spin from my backhand." Agassi got himself in further trouble in the first game of the second set as he fell behind love-40 on his serve before hitting a

backhand wide two points later to give Rusedski the break. "Once he got up on a break, the finish line was in sight," Agassi said. "He started with his back-

court game and really just connected throughout the match. He had control the whole time. There was not much you can do." The only mild threat Agassi mounted on Rusedski's serve came in the eighth game, when

Rusedski fell behind 15-30. But the Brit came back to hold serve for a 5-3 lead, firing an ace on game point. Two games later, Rusedski set

up match point with his 13th ace and wrapped up the title with a forehand winner.

Holyfield finished?

REUTERS, New York

Tennis

foot injuries is complete.

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I could come through."

Greg Rusedski's comeback from

The British ace upset Austra-

him Open champion Andre Agassi

6-3, 6-4 here Sunday to win the

400,000 dellar ATP Sybase Open.

and now I'm taking better care of

myself," Rusedski said. "I just

hope that in the big tournaments,

In '99, I had a lot of injuries

Rusedski used 13 aces for his

AFP, San Jose

Evander Holyfield, who in his boxing career sometimes seems to: have more lives than a cat, mayhave used up his last one after his performance Saturday night in losing his World Boxing Association (WBA) title to John Ruiz.

For a fighter, especially at his level, the 38-year-old Holyfield field said. "John Ruiz is a good looked old and fought old. And many boxing experts say

it's time for the former undisputed disagree with Holyfield. champion to quit the ring for good.

boxing historian and author Bert parently kept many of the millions Sugar. "His timing was off, he was of dollars he has won in his 16slow and threw very few combina- 1/2-year career, says he will not tions."

Holyfield, who still dreams of becoming king of the boxing hill once again, was battered around the ring in the last two rounds by a man whose skills are considered by many people to be merely me- 37-5-1 Holyfield, who first won a

knocked down Holyfield in the 11" round and thoroughly beat him up judges." in the final round to earn a unanimous decision in their 12- time for Holyfield to leave the round rematch.

Ruiz, now 37-4, won by scores of 116-110, 115-111 and 114-111. Ruiz will set his sights now on securing a fight with Briton Lennox Lewis, who holds the World Boxing Council and the International Boxing Federation titles.

unanimous decision over Ruiz in their first fight last August. Many ringsiders thought Ruiz had won. prompting the WBA to order the rematch.

This fight was a seesaw affair at the former editor of Ring Maga-

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times as Holyfield occasionally got zine. the better of Ruiz, whose left eve was nearly swollen shut by the end

But Ruiz, who is of Puerto Ri-

can descent, becoming the first

Hispanic to win a world heavyweight title, knocked down the champion in the 11" round with a five heavyweight at this point." straight right to the head. "I didn't see it coming," Holy-

Many boxing experts would

Despite his loss and a long haul back to title contention ahead of him, if he makes it back at all, "It's sad to watch him," said Holyfield, who has made and ap-

"I'd love to fight him again, said Holyfield, who is just 1-2-1 over his last four fights and with out a knockout win in more than "It's not over with me," said the

heavyweight title in 1990. "I've just Yet, the 29-year-old Ruiz got to go back to what I used to do and not leave things to the But some ringsiders think it's

fighting to younger men. "Yes, he should retire," says Steve Farhood, boxing analyst for bats worth 40,000 USD and signed

CNN/SI. "He shows the classic symptoms of a great fighter who Holyfield narrowly won a with the right hand.

his man in trouble," said Farhood,

has gone on too long, such as the days ago aged 92, had been stolen inability to pull the trigger when from a collector's home in New he sees an opening, especially South Wales state.

Holyfield's refusal to retire is particularly upsetting, Farhood said, because the former champion "doesn't show even a smidgen of understanding that his skills have deteriorated. It is difficult to

envision Holyfield defeating a top "He just was getting very old very quickly," Sugar said of Holyfield's performance at the Mandalay Bay hotel and casino in Las Vegas. "This is a man who always thought old age was 15 years away

from where he was. He looked like (he was) getting old before our Sugar, who said Holyfield was likely worth more than 100 million salary and by nature doesn't like to

spend much of it, thinks the former champion's decision to retire will be based on money. "Evander loves money," Sugar

said, "and when he finds out that he won't make much to get the bejabbers beaten out of him, he'll finally take stock."

Bradman bats stolen

REUTERS, Sydney

Police said Monday that 10 cricket by Australian cricket legend Sir Donald Bradman, who died eight

The 10 bats, contained in wood "He also has a problem of get- and glass display cases, were stoting hit flush with punches from a len from a house in the Hunter fringe contender like Ruiz, and the Valley region north of Sydney on inability to accelerate when he has the weekend.

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Cairns on road to recovery

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erable pain when he played," Ar His problem is just one of a raft

Zealand team over recent months. The problem is particularly acute among the bowlers, with the three month tour of Zimbabwe, Kenya and South Africa seeing a

get it to bend. It's frustrating but at the third Test against Pakistan in

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Cricket

Although New Zealand's Chris Cairns will play no part in this week's first Test against Pakistan, he said on Monday that he hopes to be fit to face the same opposi-

operation on the patella tendon in his right knee. A similar operation saw him out of action for nine early flight home. months.

proved a success," the all-rounder competition.

and my target of September is still According to surgeon Paul Ar-

"He must have been in consid-

have every confidence that it will O'Connor who survived the Afribe fine, as I had the same opera- can tour only to hurt his knee tion on my left knee in 1994 which playing for Otago in domestic

There is good news for Shavne

on track." Cairns added.

mour said. of injuries that have hit the New

procession of players taking an

He has started bowling again "I have had to keep my leg and, according to convenor of straight for 10 days and now I am selectors Richard Hadlee, could be