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## Did U Know?

Muhammad Ali is undoubtedly the most popular boxer and one of the greatest athletes of all time. He has a record of 56-5 over his 21-year professional boxing career and won an Olympic gold medal for the United States in the 1960 Olympic Games. But Joe Louis however has an edge over Ali the greatest. Joe Louis won the heavyweight championship in 1937 and held onto it until he retired in 1949. His reign as champion (11 years, eight months) is still the longest in heavyweight division history. He decided to return to the ring in 1950 but lost his title to challenger Ezzard Charles, and then lost again a year later to Rocky Marciano.



## TALK TURKEY



**Rodney Marsh**  
(Former Australian stumper)  
"A wicketkeeper is a captain's faithful servant."



## What to WATCH

**BTV**  
Prime Minister Gold Cup  
India vs Japan  
Live at 12:00 pm  
Ireland vs Malaysia  
Live at 2:00 pm  
Egypt vs Pakistan  
Live at 4:00 pm

**DD Sports**  
Australia vs India  
First Test, Day Three  
Live at 9:30 am

**ESPN**  
New Zealand vs Pakistan  
First Test, Day Five  
Highlights at 3:00 pm  
AC Milan vs Galatasaray  
UEFA Champions' League  
7:00 am  
UEFA Champions' League  
Highlights at 12:00 pm & 7:30 pm  
Serie A Highlights  
2:00 pm  
Serie A  
9:00 pm

**Football Focus**  
Live at 1:00 am (Wednesday)  
UEFA Champions' League  
Live at 1:30 am

**Star Sports**  
South Africa vs West Indies  
First Test, Day Four  
Highlights at 6:30 am & 6:00 pm  
South Africa vs West Indies  
First Test, Day Five  
Live at 8:00 pm  
Asian Football Show  
8:30 am  
Futbol Mundial  
1:00 pm

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- Bangladesh beat Mongolia in the 2002 World Cup qualifier  
2-0    3-2    3-0
- Who clinched the Paris Indoor Open title?  
Huber    Hingis    Mauresmo
- Sri Lanka won the one-day series against New Zealand  
3-2    5-0    4-1
- How many Tests will Bangladesh play in five years?  
34    35    36
- Who lifted the national under-19 cricket crown?  
Chittagong    Rajshahi    BKSP

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Bangladesh midfielder Musa Miah tries to gain control while two Scottish players watch during their Prime Minister Gold Cup encounter yesterday.

## Scots shock hosts

**Hockey**  
SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh's hopes to stay in the race of the Prime Minister Gold Cup hockey tournament suffered a nasty blow when Scotland came from behind to hand the hosts a 1-2 defeat in their second Pool A match at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium Monday.

In the other match of the day, China beat Ireland 2-1 in a Pool B engagement. Forward Moududur Rahman Shuvo put Bangladesh into the lead in the 10th minute of the first half, but the Scots staged a brilliant comeback, getting a goal in each half, one from penalty stroke and the other at the courtesy of opponents.

With this defeat and a draw against Japan in their first match on Saturday, Bangladesh are left with the only proposition of beating mighty India in their last group match to play further in the nine-nation meet. A win against India would not however be enough for Bangladesh. They would also have to keep their fingers crossed for favourable results from the matches of Japan and Scotland at the same time.

On the other hand, the Scots brightened their prospect of a

birth in the last four with their first win in two matches. A draw against Japan in their last match on Thursday will be good enough for the Bravehearts to ensure that.

Bangladesh however made a dream start against the Scots and eventually took the lead from a

Buoyed by the goal, Bangladesh kept the Scots busy manning their fort for the next five minutes, but failed to increase the margin because of poor marksmanship.

Scotland in the mean time slowly regrouped themselves and went on to level the margin at the



**P. J. WEBSTER ... m-o-m**

counter attack. Winning the ball from a Scottish forward, midfielder Mahbubul Ehsan Rana made an intelligent pass to Shuvo, who, after failing to capitalise on a similar pass five minutes back, sent the ball through the legs of an advancing Scottish keeper Kane.



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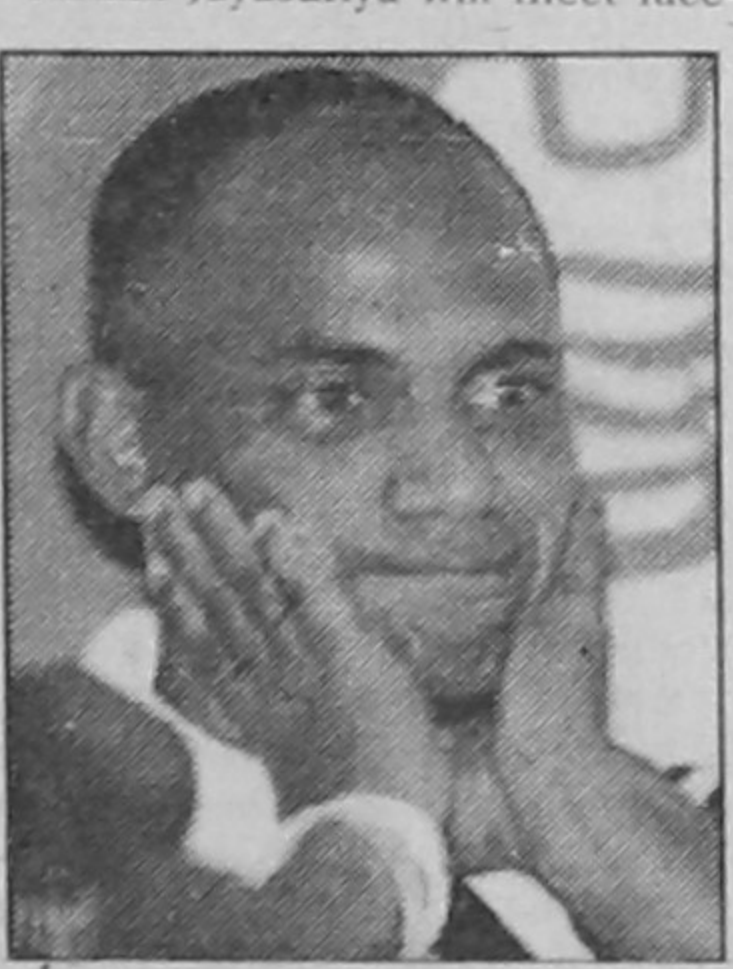
stroke of the breaker from a penalty stroke after Bangladesh defender Nakib dead-stopped the ball inside the D-box with his feet. D Ralph shovelled the ball into the right corner of the net with out any

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## Captains to sort it out

**Cricket**  
AP, Colombo

England captain Nasser Hussain and his Sri Lankan counterpart Sanath Jayasuriya will meet face-



**SANATH JAYASURIYA**

to-face before the third and final cricket Test to discuss how best to prevent a boilover.

The idea for the meeting came from International Cricket Council match referee Hanumant Singh of India, who was disturbed by the

frayed tempers shown by both teams during the just concluded second Test at Kandy that England won.

Singh was so disturbed by a finger-pointing exchange between players on the fourth day of the Kandy Test that he issued the teams with a final warning and said any repetition would be dealt with severely.

Hussain also wants cricket officials to take immediate action to prevent further damage to the game's image.

Hussain has said his joy at winning the Kandy Test, levelling the three-match series at 1-1, was tempered by the bad blood between the teams.

"I would have to say that it was a really good Test match but there was some damage done to the game as well. As a captain, I have to say that," he told reporters.

"There are so many things we have to get right. I think people should sit down and look at these last two Tests. Cricket in general needs to have a good look to make sure some of the things that happened never happen again."

Both Tests have been blighted by controversial umpiring, favouring both sides and the resulting tension among players.

England's Graeme Hick was given a suspended one-match ban for dissent after the opening game in Galle, while four Sri Lankan fielders were fined for excessive appealing in the first Test.

Jayasuriya was given a four-match suspended ban for dissent



**NASSER HUSSAIN**

in Kandy, while England opener Michael Atherton and Sri Lanka's Kumar Sangakkara were reprimanded for a heated on-field exchange.

Jayasuriya has meanwhile

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Action from yesterday's Prime Minister Gold Cup hockey match between China and Ireland at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium.

## Nat'l shooting from March 18

**SPORTS REPORTER**

The Bangladesh Shooting Federation on Monday announced a fresh date for the 17th National Shooting Championship.

The meet, which was earlier scheduled to start on March 15, will now commence on March 18.

About 200 shooters from 50 different clubs will compete in 15 events.

## Grapplers leave for Dubai today

**SPORTS REPORTER**

An eight-member Bangladesh wrestling team leaves for Dubai today to take part in the First Oriental Wrestling Championship. The tournament starts tomorrow.

India, Pakistan, Iran and Sri Lanka will also take part in the 10-day meet.

The Bangladesh team includes five grapplers and three officials. They are: Abdul Gaffar (manager), Masood Akhter (asst. manager), Benzir Ahmed (coach), Ashraf Ali, Jamaluddin, Mizanur Rahman, Abbas Ali and Giasuddin.

## Fuming Fleming

**REUTERS, Auckland**

New Zealand's Stephen Fleming reacted angrily on Monday when it was suggested his side had been beaten by a second-string, injury-hit Pakistan team which forced them to field four debutants in the first Test in Auckland.

Speaking to reporters after New Zealand's 299-run defeat in the first Test against Pakistan, which ended before lunch on the fifth day on Monday, Fleming said his team was also set with injury problems.

"We're down to about our C-team at the moment because of injury. Our bowling attack is new and you've got to remember they have a hell-of-a-lot more to pick from. We are well down in our ranks, so it's not a fair comparison," he said.

Fleming said New Zealand were "comprehensively beaten" when they were bowled out for 131, chasing 431 to win or batting the day to save the Test.

"That was a devastating spell of reverse-spinning bowling (from Mohammad Sami)," Fleming said.

"That is something we will work on before the next Test, but we can't afford to sit around and mope and let it linger. If we do that we'll suffer again."

Fleming again defended his decision to put Pakistan in on the portable pitch being used for the

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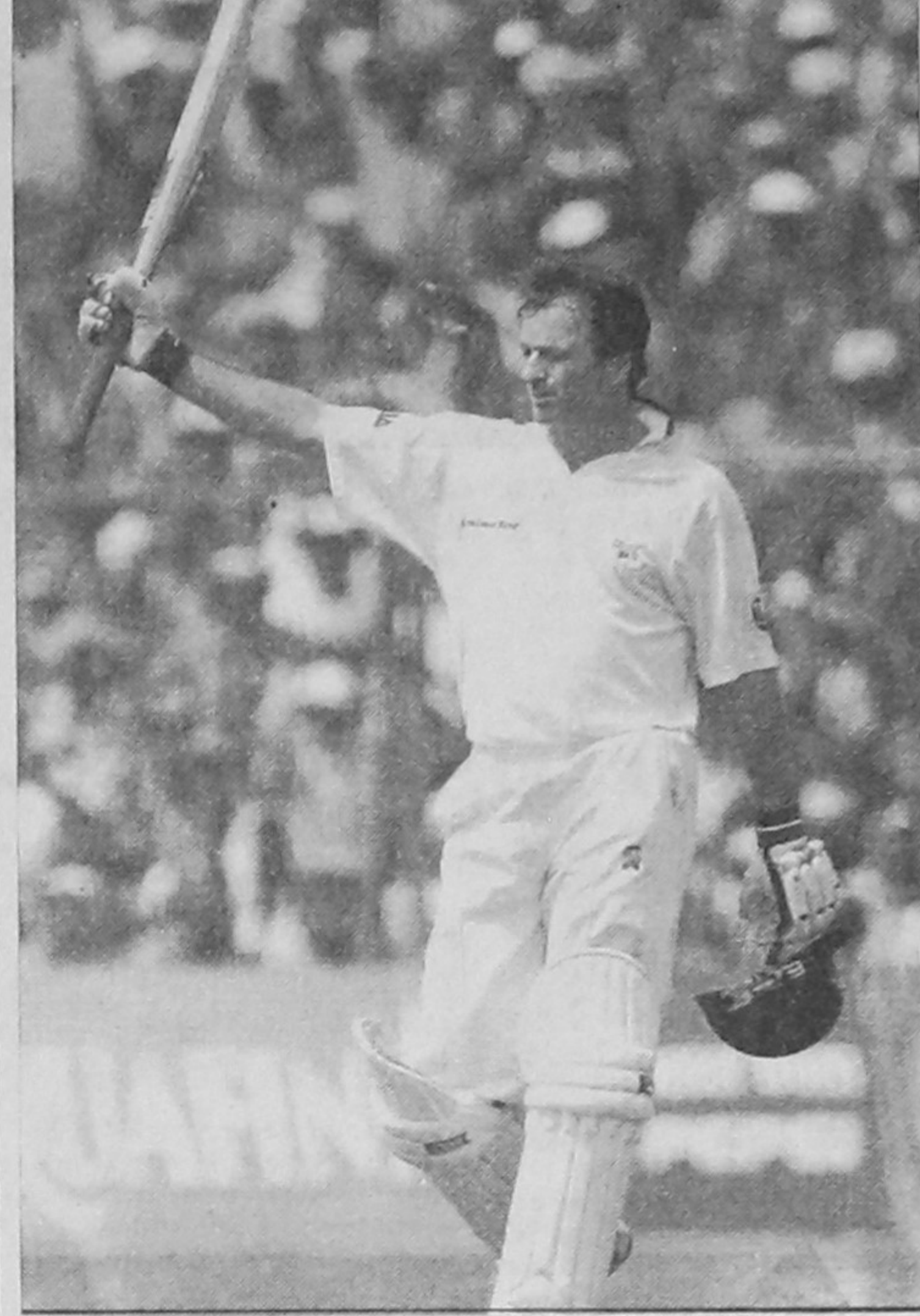
## Weird day for India

**Cricket**  
AFP, Calcutta

Steve Waugh lived up to his reputation as a gutsy fighter with his 25th Test century as Australia tightened the noose around India in the second Test here on Monday.

Waugh smashed 110 after a record ninth wicket stand of 133 with Jason Gillespie to help the tourists recover from 269-8 and post 445 an hour after lunch on the second day.

The Indians, beaten inside three days in the first Test, faded once again to end the day at a pathetic 128-8, still 118 runs away from avoiding a follow-on.



**CAPTAIN INVINCIBLE:** Australian skipper Steve Waugh raises his bat to the crowd after scoring his 25th Test hundred on the Day Two of the Calcutta Test yesterday. Waugh battled his way to 110 not out.

Some 60,000 shocked fans at the Eden Gardens jeered as the hosts caved in after master batsman Sachin Tendulkar was trapped leg-before by Glenn McGrath for 10.

India's woes magnified when spin wizard Shane Warne bowled Rahul Dravid for 25 and Steve Waugh picked up a brilliant catch off his counterpart Sourav Ganguly at gully.

McGrath grabbed 3-13 from 11 overs and Gillespie and Michael Kasprovic claimed two wickets each as the Indians once again showed their discomfort against pace bowling even on a slow track.

At stumps, Venkatsai Laxman was unbeaten on 26, while Venkatapathy Raju was on three.

Australia have three days in hand to force their 17th consecutive Test victory that will win them their first series on Indian soil since 1970.

Waugh's world-beating side lead 1-0 in the three-match rubber after a 10-wicket romp with two days to spare in the first Test at Bombay.

Waugh battled for five hours to steer Australia out of trouble and reaffirm his credentials as the most successful contemporary batsman.

The 35-year-old not only surpassed Tendulkar's tally of 24 Test centuries, but also overtook Pakistani Javed Miandad to become the fourth highest scorer with 8,847 runs.

Only Waugh's former teammate Allan Border (11,174), Sunil Gavaskar of India (10,122) and Graham Gooch of England (8,900) have scored more runs.

Gillespie, who contributed a career-best 46, helped Waugh set up a new ninth-wicket record for Australia against India, surpassing the 96 by Ian Healy and Gavin Robertson at Madras in 1998.

The pair came together during a tumultuous post-tea session on Sunday when Australia lost seven

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## Sami shatters NZ

**Cricket**  
AFP, Auckland

New Zealand batsmen meekly surrendered the first cricket Test to Pakistan who won it here Monday by 299 runs on the final day.

New Zealand lost eight wickets for just 10 runs Monday morning and collapsed from 105 for one overnight to lose the next nine wickets in four minutes short of two hours in pursuit of 431 to win.

Young pace bowler Mohammad Sami took five for six Monday to end with figures of five for 36, while off-spinner Saqlain Mushtaq took four for three Monday to end with four for 24.

Sami headed off teammate Younis Khan — who scored 91 and 149 not out — for the man-of-the-match award.

It was New Zealand's fourth home Test loss in their last five matches.

Pakistan captain Moin Khan paid tribute to his inexperienced side who were without Wasim Akram, Inzamamul Haq, Saeed Anwar and Abdur Razaq.

"It was a tremendous performance, especially from our youngsters. Younis Khan had two class innings with the bat and took responsibility," Moin said.

New Zealand captain Stephen Fleming praised the bowling effort of Pakistan which shut his side out almost from the first ball Monday.

"It was a very tough session, they bowled extremely well and put us under too much pressure," Fleming said.

"We had to be positive to keep some initiative this morning, but losing wickets straight away didn't help and our new batsmen didn't cope with the swinging ball."

New Zealand lost opener Mark Richardson in the day's first over, then nightwatchman Paul Wiseman, Mathew Sinclair and Nathan Astle fell in the first 75 minutes to be 127 for five at the drinks break.

The last five wickets tumbled in the next 40 minutes, with the last four batsmen falling for nought.

Resuming on 105 for one, it took just four balls for New Zealand to lose the key scalp of Richardson for his overnight score of 59.

The opener drove at Saqlain and hit a catch straight to Imran Farhat at cover after a stay of 150 minutes and 125 balls, including

nine fours.

Wiseman and Mathew Sinclair cautiously negotiated Saqlain and caug Younis, adding just 16 runs in the next 50 minutes.

The introduction of Sami provided the next wicket when he bowled Wiseman with his sixth ball after a 73-minute, 48-ball stay for eight.

Then in Sami's next over, Sinclair, after staying an hour for 10, hooked a catch straight to Yousof Youhana at square leg who juggled then claimed the chance.

Astle joined captain Stephen Fleming but lasted just six balls before he played back to Saqlain and was bowled for one to give the off-spinner his second wicket.

Fleming was trapped in front for five by Saqlain, then the other key batsman Craig McMillan hit a soft catch to mid-on nought.

James Franklin, Daryl Tuffey and Chris Martin all fell for nought as Sami and Mushtaq cleaned up the tail.

The last five wickets fell for one run as Adam Parore was left stranded also on nought.

The second Test starts in Christchurch on Thursday.

## SCOREBOARD

Final scorecard of the first Test between New Zealand and Pakistan on the fifth day at Eden Park in Auckland on Monday.

**PAKISTAN:** First innings 346 (Younis Khan 91, Yousof Youhana 51, Moin Khan 47, Faisal Iqbal 42; Daryl Tuffey 4/96, Chris Martin 4/106)

**NEW ZEALAND:** First innings 252 (Stephen Fleming 86, Craig McMillan 54; Saqlain Mushtaq 4/48, Mohammad Sami 3/70)

**PAKISTAN:** Second innings 336 for 5 declared (Younis 149 not out, Imran Farhat 63, Iqbal 52 not out; Tuffey 3/43)

**NEW ZEALAND:** Second innings (overnight 105/1) Richardson c Farhat b Saqlain 59 Bell run out 28

Wiseman b Sami 8 Sinclair c Youhana b Sami 10 Fleming lbw b Saqlain 5 Astle b Saqlain 1

McMillan c Saqlain b Sami 0 Parore not out 0 Franklin b Sami 0 Tuffey b Sami 0 Martin b Saqlain 0

Extras: (b-12, lb-7, nb-1) 20 Total: (All out in 59.4 overs) 131

Fall of wickets: 1-91, 2-105, 3-121, 4-126, 5-127, 6-130, 7-130, 8-130, 9-130

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Waqaar	11	2	31	0
Sami	15	4	36	5
Saqlain	25.4	12	24	4
Mushtaq	8	2	21	0

Result: Pakistan won by 299 runs and lead the 3-match 1-0.

Man-of-the-match: Mohammad Sami.

**DAY'S EVENT**

**TODAY'S EVENT**  
Prime Minister Gold Cup  
Venue: Moulana Bhasani Stadium  
India v Japan (12 Noon)  
Ireland v Malaysia (2 pm)  
Egypt v Pakistan (4 pm).

Pakistan cricket coach Javed Miandad (L) congratulates his rookie paceman Mohammad Sami after capturing five wickets on the final day of the first Test against New Zealand yesterday.