Abahani hammered

SPORTS REPORTER

Abahani were thrashed 4-0 by West Ham United's under-19 selection in the final match of their England tour on Sunday.

The Premiership side led Dhaka giants the first half 3-0. Gavin Holligan and Michael Ferrante struck twice each for the London club.

Playing in front 2000-plus crowd at Upton Park, Ferrante put the Hammers in front from a free

Holligan after wasting a opportunity to get on the scoresheet. headed in from six yards after Louis Riddle supplied a perfect cross. And seven minutes before the break he doubled his tally. Ferrante acting as provider.

The rout was complete once Ferrante converted from the spot.

Earlier, the sky blues lost 2-1 to top rated Bangladesh amateur league team Sporting Bengal United on March 14. Their ten-day trip was sponsored by property developers Canary Wharf.

The team is expected to play an exhibition match in Uzbekistan this week before returning home

Chess qualifiers

SPORTS REPORTER

Three Bangladesh Ansars players Sawkat Hossain Pallah. Khandkar Aminul Islam and Sved Mahfuzur Rahman Emon — were sharing the top spot in the qualifying round of the Professor Abdur Razzak 27th National Chess Championship after the sixth round held at the NSC chess room

on Monday. On the day, Aminul beat Palash while Pallab drew with Emon. All of them now have 5.5 points each

from six matches. International Master Abdullah Al Rakib, International Women Master Rani Hamid, Abu Sufian Sakil and Feroz Ahmed were in the second position with 5 points apiece. FIDE Master Enamul Hossain Rajib, FIDE Master Rezaul Haque, Sheikh Nasir Ahmed, Monir Hossain and Chanchal Kumar Ghosh were following them with 4.5 points each.

B'baria cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT. Brahmanbaria

Agradoot Cricket Club defeated Udayan Juba Sangha by 25 runs in the shaheed freedom fighter Rango Mia cricket cup at the Shahjadpur Junior High School playground here on Monday.

Agradoot, batted first, and made 145 all out. In reply, Udayan made 120 in the stipulated 30

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The provider then turned scorer four minutes into the second half, when he capitalised on a Shuvo pass.

Malaysia tried their best to find an equaliser but failed to break down the stubborn Bangladesh



SHUVO ... m-o-m

defence. Bangladesh forward Shuvo was later named as man-of-the-match. Earlier, in the classification match for seventh and eighth spots, Scotland registered a solitary goal win over China.

Midfielder Scott McCartney scored the all-important goal from a short corner in the 18th minute.

Two cricketers

FROM PAGE 13 Lankan Under 17 coach Carlton

Barnardus made the selection. The Sri Lankan admitted that he was compelled finding no other

alternatives. "All the competent boys are first over after lunch. busy in the Dhaka league now and no club wanted to release them for hind for 56. a week. That's why I had to pick them instead," Carlton told the Ramnaresh Sarwan caught at lirst home crowd but made only 12 Daily Star Sport last night.

would benefit Arafat, who has been found having a 'suspect ac- with figures of four for 67.

tion. cricketer and ICC development officer for Asia Nasim-ul Ghani arrived in the capital vesterday to supervise a spinners' camp for the | delivery outside the off-stump. under-13 and under-15 cricketers.

this morning.



Off-spinner Saglain Mushtag (R), who scored a maiden Test century against New Zealand on Monday, being escorted to the dressing room by coach Javed Miandad after Pakistan declared their innings.

Dull draw at Christchurch

Cricket

AGENCIES, Christchurch

New Zealand gained some confidence for the third Test against Pakistan in Hamilton by batting out the last afternoon of the second match in Christchurch as the day. game ended in a draw that was

inevitable almost two days ago. Even the mystery bowling of Saqlain Mushtaq could make no inroads on a pitch that was too friendly for the batsmen and yielded four centuries including

two double ton. New Zealand ended the shortened day on 196 for one, with Mark Richardson not out on 73 and Mathew Sinclair - following on from his unbeaten 204 in the first innings - on 50. Sinclair was awarded the man-of-the-match.

Technically New Zealand declared, but there was no need for Pakistan to bat again as only ten minutes of the match remained.

Pakistan declared earlier at 571 for eight after Saqlain Mushtaq got

his maiden Test century. Waqar Younis was the only victim of a largely toothless New Zealand attack during Pakistan's assault on the home side's 476. giving Daryl Tuffey his second wicket of the match.

Matthew Bell and Richardson gave New Zealand their third good start in as many innings, 69, before Bell was trapped lbw to part-time leg-spinner Younis Khan.

From then Richardson and Sinclair simply got some useful practice against Saglain in particular, and near the end Paki-

stan's acting skipper Inzamamul Haq had some fun by giving the wannabe bowlers like Yousuf

Pakistan, who lead the series 1-0, now travel to Wellington for a three-day match starting Thurs-

Youhana and Faisal Iqbal a turn at

the crease and Waqar some off-

The third and final Test begins



in Hamilton on March 27. SCOREBOARD

Final scoreboard on the fifth day of the second Test between New Zealand and Pakistan at Jade 1-0. Stadium Monday:

NEW ZEALAND: First innings 476 (M Sinclair 204; Fazle Akbar 3-

PAKISTAN: First innings (561-7) overnight) Farhat c Drum b Martin ljaz hit wicket b Drum Iqbal c Fleming b McMillan Inzamam c Fleming b Martin 130 Youhana c and b Richardson 203 Younis c Parore b Tuffey Moin c Martin b Bradburn 28 Saglain not out Wagar c Parore b Tuffey

Akbar not out Extras: (b-5, lb-8, nb-6) Total: (For 8 wkts decl in 210 overs) 571

Fall of wickets: 1-5, 2-25, 3-157, 4-259, 5-260, 6-304, 7-552, 7-569 Bowler OM 152 Tuffey Martin Drum Bradburn 124 McMillan Richardson 9 NEW ZEALAND: Second in-

Richardson not out Bell lbw b Younis Sinclair not out Extras: (b-15, lb-4, nb-14) Total: (For 1 wkt decl in 73 overs)

Result	Match	4		
Iqbal	1	0	7	
Youhana	1	0	3	
Younis	21	6	47	
Saqlain	24	5	44	
Akbar	7	0	26	
Sami	11	3	32	
Waqar	8	1	18	
Bowler	0	M	R	
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Result: Match drawn and Pakistan lead three-match series

Man-of-the-match: Mathew Sinclair.

Third Test: March 27-31, Hamilton.

Advantage South Africa

Cricket

AFP. Port of Spain

South African fast bowler Allan Donald struck four crucial blows to prevent the West Indies from taking command on the second day of the second Test against the West Indies at the Queen's Park Oval Sunday. West Indies finished the day on

250 for seven, 36 runs behind South Africa's first innings total of

It left the match evenly poised. with three days left and every prospect that one team will gain a victory that will put them ahead in Jacobs scored his sixth Test halfthe five-match series.

the home side if Donald had not lunch on the third day of the secended the efforts of four leading ond Test at Port of Spain on Monbatsmen, all of whom were threatening to make a big score, including West Indian captain Carl the West Indies reached 321 for Hooper, who looked in superb nine to take a lead of 35. form and made 53 before falling victim to the second new ball.

ended a second wicket stand of 70 ninth-wicket partnership. between Wavell Hinds and Marlon Samuels when Samuels (35) edged Hinds it was his 153rd dismissal. a drive to third slip in Donald's one more than the previous South He then had Hinds caught be- Richardson.

slip for 34 after Sarwan and before edging a catch to second According to him the course | Hooper put on 75 for the fifth slip off Makhaya Ntini when he wicket. Donald finished the day went for an extravagant drive.

Hinds looked surprised to be Meanwhile, former Pakistan given out by Australian umpire Darrell Hair and replays suggested there was a gap between bat and ball as the left-hander pushed at a dies with skilful batting on either

The five-day camp will start at innings, almost all of them from Donald and edging the ball hard Kallis the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium hooks and pulls. In between to Daryll Cullinan at first slip. playing some powerful strokes. Hooper, meanwhile, was Klusener

Ibw by Jacques Kallis, he set off for which lasted almost two years.

stumps from about 10m. Samuels untroubled innings Sunday. was dropped before he scored

LATEST STAR SPORT MONITOR

West Indies wicketkeeper Ridley century to help his team to a first It could have been better for innings lead over South Africa at Jacobs was unbeaten on 72 as

Mervyn Dillon was bowled for 21 by Makhaya Ntini off the last Donald's first breakthough ball before lunch after a 71-run

> African record set by Dave Star batsman Brian Lara re-

He followed up by having ceived a noisy reception from his Lara's dismissal reduced about 20 000 spectators to silence for

virtually the only time all day. Sarwan and Hooper tilted the game back towards the West Inside of tea before Sarwan was out Hinds hit 12 fours in a 114-ball tamely, driving at a wide ball from Num

Hinds survived several lbw ap- looking in top form in his second peals and could have been run out. Test match since returning as on 28 when, after a big appeal for captain following a retirement He made 69 and 35 in the

He was sent back and Gary drawn first Test in Georgetown, Kirsten at cover missed the Guyana, and followed up with an Hooper reached his fifty when

when wicketkeeper Mark Boucher he drove Donald through the covcould not hold a low edge, diving ers for three in the first over with the second new ball. He had bat-When Boucher later caught ted for 157 minutes, faced 119 halls and hit five fours. Donald was convinced he had

Ridley Jacobs lbw with his next delivery when the wicketkeeper played across the ball and was struck low down on the pad in front of his stumps.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at close of play on the second day of the second Test between South Africa and the West Indies at the Queen's Park Oval Sunday: SOUTH AFRICA: First innings

286 (D Cullinan 103, J Kallis 53; N McLean 3-60, D Ramnarine 3-57) WEST INDIES: First innings (overnight 2-0)

Hinds c Boucher b Donald Gayle lbw b Pollock Samuels c Klusener b Donald Lara c Kallis b Ntini Sarwan c Cullinan b Donald Hooper lbw b Donald Jacobs not out McLean c Ntini b Pollock Rammarine not out Extras: (b-5, lb-4, w-3, nb-7) Fall of wickets: 1-24, 2-94, 3- 9/185 118, 4-123, 5-198, 6-235, 7-242

O M 0 | 67 runs.

To bat: M Dillon, C Walsh

First Varsity Games begins tomorrow

DU CORRESPONDENT

The First Bangladesh University Games' 2001 will begin at the central play ground of the Dhaka Uni-

versity tomorrow. The six-day competition in-

volves nine universities. They are: Rajshahi University, Chittagong University, Agricultural University, Bangladesh University of Science and Technology (BUET), Islami University, Shahjalal University, Khulna University. Jahangirnagar University and host Dhaka University.

A total of 825 athletes will vie for 150 gold medals in ten events: Football, hockey, athletics, volleyball, basketball, handball, table tennis, badminton, swimming and water-polo.

State Minister for Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs Obaidul Quader will inaugurate the Games

Naimur's Reds rout Enam's Greens

UNB, Dhaka Naimur Rahman led Red XI earned a 293-run victory over Enamul Hoque's Green XI in the three-day practice match at BKSP.

on Sunday. Naimur set Greens 382 runs for victory, after declaring by the secand innings on 361 for three in 84 overs. Centuries by Akram Khan (115) and wicketkeeper Khaled Masud Pilot (100) set the Reds up

or their declaration. The Green team, who had 21 runs first innings deficit as they were bowled out for 324 runs in the first innings, were bundled out again for 89 in their second in-

Left-arm spinner Mohammad Rafique who claimed five wickets in the first innings, also bagged another five-wicket haul to destroy the opposition batting lineup while captain Naimur took two

Shoaib going down under

AFP, Karachi

Pakistan is sending ace fast bowler Shoaib Akhtar to Australia for examination of his suspect bowling action, officials said Monday.

"We are sending Akhtar to Australia this week to have a three dimensional analysis of his bowling action," Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) chairman Lieutenant Genw | eral Tauqir Zia said.

Luxmipur cricket

BSS, Luxmipur

The Wills Group First Division Cricket League started at the district stadium here on Friday. A total of 10 teams are partici-

pating in the league. On the opening day Bagbari Club defeated Haidargonj Cricket

Club by 15 runs. Bagbari Club won the toss and batting first, scored 134 all out in 32 overs. In reply, the Haidargonj Cricket Club were dismissed for 119 in 34.4 overs. The one-day league is being

played in 40 limited overs. Former secretary of the Ministry of Youth and Sports, ASM Shahjahan inaugurated the cricket

Holders humble

FROM PAGE 13

ABAHANI M Hussain c Russel b Imran Nafis st. Sajjad b Russel Anisur not out Javed not out Extras: (lb-1, nb-2, w-3) Total: (For 2 wickets in 19 overs)

Fall of wickets: 1/47, 2/80 Bowler Imran Ullah Shovon Result: Abahani won by 8 wickets.

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KALABAGAN

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Nahidul c Zakir b Moin

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Result: Sadharan Bima won by

Andre abases Pete

Tennis

AFP, Indian Wells

Andre Agassi played near flawless tennis Sunday to crush Pete Sampras 7-6, 7-5, 6-1 and claim his first victory at the Indian Wells Tennis Masters Series.

ture his first crown at this desert at San Jose only to lose to Briton event after runner-up finishes to Greg Rusedski. He was beaten in Stelan Edberg in 1990 and Sam- the first round at Scottsdale last pras six years ago.

"It's incredible, I've been on but showed that was merely a the losing end so many times with fluke loss. Pete," Agassi said. "It's more ento play against him and to win a big match.

Agassi's baselining was all over joyable at this stage of my career the famed Sampras attack during their duel in the desert. Agassi saved a set point in the 10th game of the opening set and won the set in a tiebreaker in which Sampras double-faulted In the second, Agassi scored the first service break of the afternoon to clinch a two-sets-to-love margin as he committed only two unforced errors in the set. The third set was a mere formality as Agassi rolled to victory. "It was tough conditions and very hot, there was no escape from

week by Spain's Francisco Clavet,

the sun," said the winner, who claimed 400,000 dollars which he joked "wouldn't pay for some of the cars I've seen around here. "The tie-breaker was a huge

factor, but Pete hung in there and played like a champion," Agassi

Sampras, while disappointed not to have won a title since Wimbledon 2000, was not about to

hang his head. "It was one of those matches where I felt there were chances in the beginning but got a bit frus-

You have to convert when you have a chance against Agassi. He's playing great and not missing much," said third seed Sampras, who had 14 aces counter-balanced by 47 unforced errors. "He's at a level where he was when he was number one in the world.

Thorpe to fill in for Hussain

AFP, Colombo

Graham Thorpe will take over from injured captain Nasser Hussain to lead England in the forthcoming three-match one-day international series against Sri Lanka.

The 31-year-old left-hander from Surrey was appointed captain on Monday to take over from Hussain, who is flying home along with four other members of Engthis week, especially today," he land's Test squad early Tuesday.

Hussain strained his right thigh while fielding during the third and final Test against Sri Lanka in Colombo and is going home to prepare for the summer Tests against Pakistan and Australia.



American Andre Agassi proudly holds aloft the trophy of the Tennis Mas-

"It feels just wonderful, I feel

Agassi has now won two of the

The seven-time Grand Slam

four events he has entered this

champion reached the title match

very proud of the way I've played

ters Series at Indian Wells on Sunday.

The Australian Open cham-

pion, little more than a month shy

of his 31st birthday, showed that

he's playing perhaps the best ten-

He had just 10 unforced errors

nis of his long and roller-coaster

in the two-hour, eight-minute

match and was delighted to cap-

India off-spinner Harbhajan Singh (L), who grabbed seven Australia wickets, being congratulated by wicketkeeper Sameer Dighe after getting Michael Kasprowicz on Monday.

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Fall of wickets: 1-4, 2-67, 3-217, 4-340, 5-340, 6-344, 7-374, 8-376, 9-385 Bowler Zaheer Ganguly Harbhajan Kulkarni

INDIA: First innings Das not out Ramesh c Ponting b Warne Laxman not out Extras: (b-4, nb-3) Total: (For 1 wkt) 211 Fall of wicket: 1-123 Bowler McGrath Gillespie

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Tendulkar

35 Historical CRYPTOQUIP German ZCAL QWL ZCKQ UWTDAVZAT KQ UIAWV ZCWZ CA TBPZKVAIL

VWK DBIKOC Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF YOU ALWAYS TRAVEL TO HAUTE-COUTURE FASHION SHOWS, ARE YOU A VANITY CASE? Today's Cryptoquip Clue: V equals N 45 Addressee

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another, If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.